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Definition-Gender

Nouns like a person or thing or animal can be classified into gender.

- There are four types of gender: Masculine, feminine, common and neuter.
- They can be singular or plural.

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Types of Gender Nouns:

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A. Masculine Gender

The names that are given to men and boys are classified as masculine gender.

Examples:

Father

Son

Grandfather

Peacock

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Illustrations of Masculine Gender

- **Person:** man, boy, king, father, brother, uncle, husband, nephew, son
- **Occupation**: doctor, engineer, lawyer, teacher, firefighter, police officer, mechanic
- **Animals:** lion, tiger, bull, stallion, rooster, ram, buck, boar.

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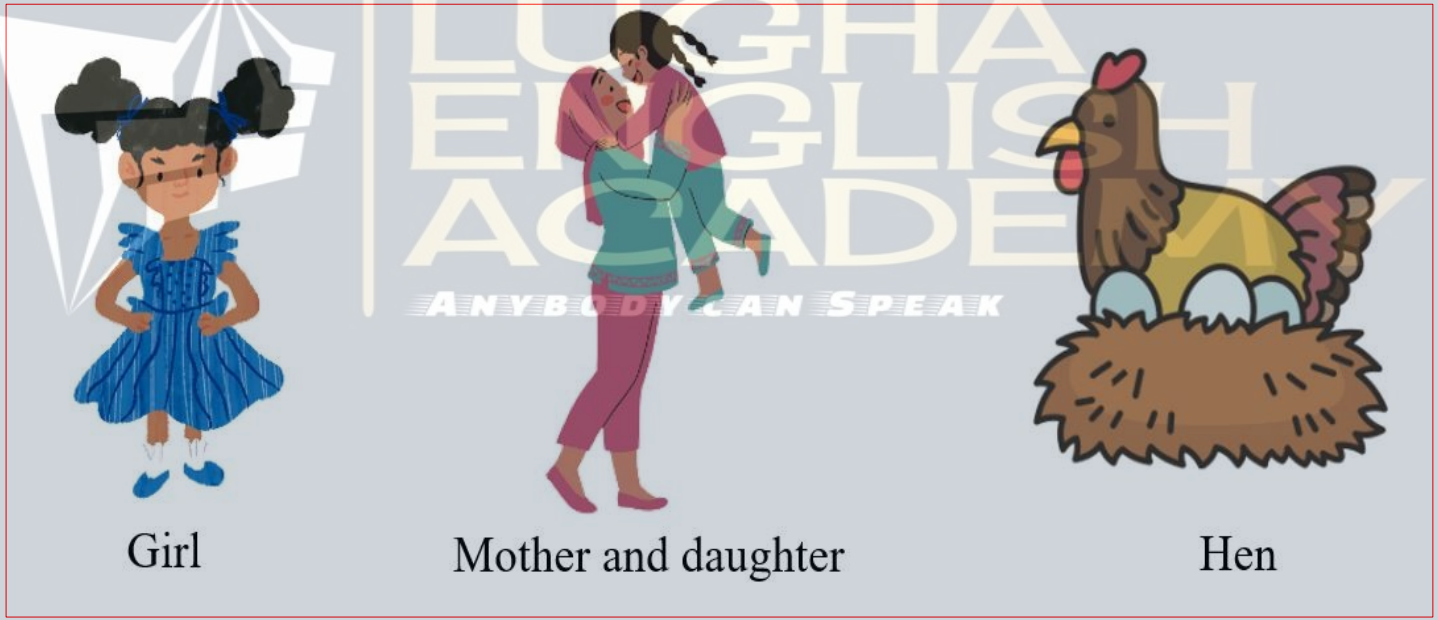
B. Feminine Gender:

Name given to women, female animals, and girls are classified as feminine gender.

Examples:



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Illustrations of Feminine Gender:

Person: sister, mother, daughter, aunt, queen.

Occupation: actress, waitress, policewoman, firewoman.

Animals: lioness, cow, hen, mare.

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C. Common Gender:

A noun given to either a female or a male, which is commonly used for both feminine and masculine gender, is called a common noun. Words like a parent, friend, child, servant, enemy, thief, cousin, baby, student, writer, teacher, etc.

Examples:

Parent could be male or female

Friend could be a male or female

Baby could be a girl or a boy

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Illustrations of Common Gender:

- animal
- minister
- doctor
- employee
- singer
- peon
- musician
- dancer
- artist
- children
- servant
- enemy
- pupil.

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D. Neuter Gender:

A noun that refers to a lifeless thing that cannot be classified as feminine or masculine gender.

Examples:

pen, book, room, tree, house, box, butter, bread, chair Chalk, table, etc.

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MASCULINE

refers to names of boys and men

father	rooster
son	host
priest	king
uncle	hero

FEMININE

refers to names of girls and women

aunt	hen
mother	goose
maiden	nun
grandma	niece

COMMON

refers to names of both girls and boys

doctor	nurse
visitor	friend
cousin	manager
relative	singer

NEUTER

refers to names of things / objects

eraser	desk
shoes	bus
chocolate	book
car	pants

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1. Identify the Gender

Write M (Masculine), F (Feminine), C (Common), or N (Neutral) next to each noun:

1. King
2. Chair
3. Teacher
4. Queen
5. Book
6. Actor
7. Table
8. Parent
9. Nurse
10. Computer

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2. Change the Gender

Change the following nouns to their opposite gender :

1. Prince → _____
2. Waitress → _____
3. Uncle → _____
4. Lion → _____
5. Husband → _____
6. Son → _____
7. Cow → _____
8. Actress → _____
9. Hero → _____
10. Nephew → _____

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📖 4. Fill in the Blanks

Choose the correct gendered word to complete the sentence:

1. The (actor / actress) won an award for her role.
2. My (mother / father) is a doctor.
3. The (lion / lioness) hunted in the jungle.
4. That (chair / waiter) was really friendly.
5. Her (nephew / niece) is visiting tomorrow.

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Classify These Nouns

Put these words into four columns: Masculine, Feminine, Common, and Neutral.

1.Words: queen, student, table, computer, postman, woman, fox, baby, bottle, artist

2.actor, hen, soldier, pilot, laptop, duchess, dancer, broom, lion, guest, bride, bull, journalist, mirror, musician, stag

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