THE EIGHT PARTS OF SPEECH

There are eight parts of speech in the English language: noun, pronoun, verb, adjective, adverb, preposition, conjunction, and interjection. The part of speech indicates how the word functions in meaning as well as grammatically within the sentence. An individual word can function as more than one part of speech when used in different circumstances. Understanding parts of speech is essential for determining the correct definition of a word when using the dictionary.

1. NOUN

A noun is the name of a person, place, thing, or idea.

man... Butte College... house... happiness

A noun is a word for a person, place, thing, or idea. Nouns are often used with an article (*the*, *a*, *an*), but not always. Proper nouns always start with a capital letter; common nouns do not. Nouns can be singular or plural, concrete or abstract. Nouns show possession by adding 's. Nouns can function in different roles within a sentence; for example, a noun can be a subject, direct object, indirect object, subject complement, or object of a preposition.

The young **girl** brought me a very long **letter** from the **teacher**, and then she quickly disappeared. Oh my!

See the TIP Sheet on "Nouns" for further information.

2. PRONOUN

A pronoun is a word used in place of a noun.

She... we... they... it

A pronoun is a word used in place of a noun. A pronoun is usually substituted for a specific noun, which is called its antecedent. In the sentence above, the antecedent for the pronoun *she* is the girl. Pronouns are further defined by type: personal pronouns refer to specific persons or things; possessive pronouns indicate ownership; reflexive pronouns are used to emphasize another noun or pronoun; relative pronouns introduce a subordinate clause; and demonstrative pronouns identify, point to, or refer to nouns.

The young girl brought <u>me</u> a very long letter from the teacher, and then <u>she</u> quickly disappeared. Oh my!

See the TIP Sheet on "Pronouns" for further information.

3. VERB

A verb expresses action or being.

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jump... is... write... become
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The verb in a sentence expresses action or being. There is a main verb and sometimes one or more helping verbs. ("*She can sing." Sing* is the main verb; *can* is the helping verb.) A verb must agree with its subject in number (both are singular or both are plural). Verbs also take different forms to express tense.

The young girl <u>brought</u> me a very long letter from the teacher, and then she quickly <u>disappeared</u>. Oh my!

See the TIP Sheet on "Verbs" for more information.

4. ADJECTIVE

An adjective modifies or describes a noun or pronoun.

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pretty... old... blue... smart
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An adjective is a word used to modify or describe a noun or a pronoun. It usually answers the question of which one, what kind, or how many. (Articles [a, an, the] are usually classified as adjectives.)

The **young** girl brought me a very **long** letter from the teacher, and then she quickly disappeared. Oh my!

See the TIP Sheet on "Adjectives" for more information.

5. ADVERB

An adverb modifies or describes a verb, an adjective, or another adverb.

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gently... extremely... carefully... well
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An adverb describes or modifies a verb, an adjective, or another adverb, but never a noun. It usually answers the questions of when, where, how, why, under what conditions, or to what degree. Adverbs often end in -ly.

The young girl brought me a <u>very</u> long letter from the teacher, and <u>then</u> she <u>quickly</u> disappeared. Oh my!

See the TIP Sheet on "Adverbs" for more information.

6. PREPOSITION

 A preposition is a word placed before a noun or pronoun to form a phrase modifying another word in the sentence. by... with... about... until

(by the tree, with our friends, about the book, until tomorrow)

A preposition is a word placed before a noun or pronoun to form a phrase modifying another word in the sentence. Therefore a preposition is always part of a prepositional phrase. The prepositional phrase almost always functions as an adjective or as an adverb. The following list includes the most common prepositions:

The young girl brought me a very long letter **from** the teacher, and then she quickly disappeared. Oh my!

See the TIP Sheet on "Prepositions" for more information.

7. CONJUNCTION

A conjunction joins words, phrases, or clauses.

and... but... or... while... because

A conjunction joins words, phrases, or clauses, and indicates the relationship between the elements joined. Coordinating conjunctions connect grammatically equal elements: and, but, or, nor, for, so, yet. Subordinating conjunctions connect clauses that are not equal: because, although, while, since, etc. There are other types of conjunctions as well.

The young girl brought me a very long letter from the teacher, **and** then she quickly disappeared. Oh my!

See the TIP Sheet on "Conjunctions" for more information.

8. INTERJECTION

An interjection is a word used to express emotion.

Oh!... Wow!... Oops!

An interjection is a word used to express emotion. It is often followed by an exclamation point.

The young girl brought me a very long letter from the teacher, and then she quickly disappeared. **Oh my**!

part of speech	function or "job"	example words	example sentences
<u>Verb</u>	action or state	(to) be, have, do, like, work, sing, can, must	EnglishClub is a web site. I like EnglishClub.
Noun	thing or person	pen, dog, work, music, town, London, teacher, John	This is my dog . He lives in my house . We live in London .
<u>Adjective</u>	describes a noun	good, big, red, well, interesting	My dogs are big . I like big dogs.
<u>Determiner</u>	limits or "determines" a noun	a/an, the, 2, some, many	I have two dogs and some rabbits.
<u>Adverb</u>	describes a verb, adjective or adverb	quickly, silently, well, badly, very, really	My dog eats quickly . When he is very hungry, he eats really quickly.
<u>Pronoun</u>	replaces a noun	I, you, he, she, some	Tara is Indian. She is beautiful.
Preposition	links a noun to another word	to, at, after, on, but	We went to school on Monday.

part of speech	function or "job"	example words	example sentences
Conjunction	joins clauses or sentences or words	and, but, when	I like dogs and I like cats. I like cats and dogs. I like dogs but I don't like cats.
<u>Interjection</u>	short exclamation, sometimes inserted into a sentence	oh!, ouch!, hi!, well	Ouch! That hurts! Hi! How are you? Well, I don't know.

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Unit - 1 **Stock Phrases**

Form

: Stock Phrases

Function: Greetings

1. Warm-up

How would you say "Good morning!" in the following situations? Act it out with a friend.

- a. When you meet your teacher/boss.
- b. When you meet a friend whom you haven't seen for a long time.
- c. When you meet a small child.
- d. When you meet someone who borrowed Rs. 100/- from you but has not returned it so far.
- e. When you talk to a stranger on the telephone.

II. Role play the following dialogues

- a. S: Hello! Good morning! This is Swetha Nitin. May I speak to Ms. Anitha Roy?
 - A: Hi! Good morning Swetha! How are you? What a lovely surprise!
 - S: I'm fine, thank you.
- b. A: Hello! May I speak to Prof. Dayanand please?
 - B: How many times should I tell you this is not Prof. Dayanand's number? Will you please stop harassing me?
 - A: I'm really sorry. It was a mistake.

Did you say "thank you" to Mary aunty when you left the birthday party? c. Mother:

: Sorry Mom! I didn't.

Mother: But I told you to thank her. Why didn't you?

: Well Renu said "thank you" to aunty. But aunty Rina

said "please don't mention it."

Mother: So what?

So I thought I should also not mention it! Rina

: See you later, teacher.

Teacher: Rob, you should not say that to your teacher. d. Rob

: Cheerio teacher. Rob

Teacher: Even that is not correct.

Please tell me what I should say! Rob

Say Good bye! That's proper. Teacher:

Thanks a lot madam. Good bye. Rob

III. Grammar

A. Function: In English we use stock phrases to establish social contact and relationships.

• Greetings : Good morning! Good afternoon! Good

evening! Good night! Hello! Hi! Hiya!

: How do you do? How are you? How are Enquiries things?

Thank you! Thanks very much. Many Thanks

thanks. Response to

You are welcome. Please don't mention it. thanks Thank you too.

• Leave taking: Bye. Good bye. Cheerio. See you later. So long.

- B. Form: While using greetings on various occasions we need not worry too much about grammar, for we generally use set phrases.
 - i. For example, we always say Good Morning! This consists of Adjective+Noun. But we never say Bad morning! Happy morning! Cheerful morning! etc. We only change the greeting according to the time of the day.

Remember: We say Good Night! only when we take leave of a person at night.

- ii. Enquiries take the form of questions beginning with 'How'.
 - e.g. How do you do? Sometimes we can also use statements.
 - e.g. Hope all is well with you. I trust you are keeping well.
- iii. 'Thank you' actually means 'I thank you.' But we omit the 'I' in practice.
- iv. There are again set ways of responding to thanks.
 - You are welcome. (to thank me) Here you accept the thanks graciously.
 - Please don't mention it. Here you are a bit shy and try to be modest.
- v. 'Good bye' is a shorter form of 'God be with you'. On very informal occasions we shorten it even further to 'Bye'. Depending on the closeness of relationships we use phrases like 'See you later'; 'Cheerio' etc.

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IV.	Iask

	•	took phrases
a.	Fill	in the blanks with appropriate stock phrases. ! Have you had your lunch?
	1.	Have you had your thing
		Not yet. Would you like to join me?
		Not yet. Would you mis beautiful.
	2.	The watch you gave me for my birthday is beautiful ? How do you do?
	3.	The watch you gave me for thy bit they? How do you do? How nice meeting you!? How do you do?
	4.	! This is 28142119. What can I do for you?
	5.	! Could you connect me to Mr. Suresh,
		please?

b. Match the stock phrases with appropriate situations.

Good night!	You accept a friend's thanks graciously.
Hi! What a pleasant surprise!	You are meeting a friend after a long time.
Thanks a lot for your company.	You spilt coffee on your friend's new dress.
Nice meeting you!	You express gratitude to a friend.
I'm really sorry!	A very close friend meets you unexpectedly after a long time.
You are welcome.	You are taking leave of a friend at 9.00 p.m.
How are things?	When you meet a friend.

- c. What is wrong in the following conversations? Rewrite them in the correct form.
 - Good night! How are you?
 Fine thank you!
 - How do you do, Sam? I'm doing well, Jane.

- I thank you very much.
 Don't thank me. I don't like it.
- 4. Hi Professor! Good morning! Good afternoon!
- I'm sorry I'm late.Please don't mention it.

Task 2

a. Nina and Neha are meeting each other one year after they left college. Complete their conversation using appropriate stock phrases from the list below.

Thank	you		lease don't ention it
Bye		Thanks very much.	ow are you?
Hi		(Many thanks)	n sorry)
Nina		Neha!	?
Neha	:	I'm fine,Nina. And_	?
Nina	•	As happy as I can be. By the way	y for
Neha	:	Did you like it?I sent	
Nina	:	Oh, I enjoyed it thoroughly! It wa of youonce again!	
Neha			
Nina	•	Okay, I must hurryfor no	w. See vou later

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_		the telephone conversation between Dr. Reddy and me
b.		the telephone conversation between Dr. Reddy and me
	patient As	na. could I speak to Dr. Reddy please?
	Dr. R:	. This is Dr. Reddy speaking.
	Asha:	Dr. Reddy. Could you please give me an appointment?
	Dr. R	I can't meet you immediately. I'm going out of town and will be back on Saturday afternoon.
	Asha :	Could I meet you on Saturday afternoon?
	Dr. R :	That would be fine.
	Asha :	doctor. Very kind of you.
C.	Complete and his o	e the following conversation between Professor Ramkumar old student Ravi who meets him after five years. Good morning Sir. I wonder if you remember me. I'm Ravi who studied here five years ago.
	Ramkun	2
		: Fine, thank you Sir.
	Ravi	
	Ramkur	nar:
	Ravi	: At present I'm on holiday. I work as a teacher in Singapore. Here's a small gift from me.
	Ramkur	
	Ravi	: Not at all. I owe a lot to you. Thank you so much.
	Ramku	
	Ravi	I must leave now. Nice meeting you, Sir.
	Ramku	mar :!!

V. Writing

Task 3

Write dialogues for the following situations. Each dialogue should consist of ten exchanges. Remember to use the appropriate stock phrases in your dialogue.

a. Write a telephone conversation between Mr. Dinesh and the receptionist at Hotel Blue Park. Mr. Dinesh wants accommodation in the hotel for three days. You may begin and end as follows.

Mr. Dinesh	:	Hello, is that Hotel Blue Park?
Receptionist	:	Yes, Sir. Good morning. What can I do for you?

Mr. Dinesh : Thanks a lot. I'll be there on Monday morning.

- b. Megha goes to the railway station to see off her friend Monisha. There she unexpectedly meets her school friend Mrinal. Write the conversation between them.
- c. Write a humorous conversation between Suresh who does not know how to use stock phrases and his teacher who patiently teaches him the correct usage.

Just a thought!

Do you know the three most beautiful words in English? They are PLEASE, THANK YOU and SORRY. Say them as often as you can. You will win many friends and become very popular!

Unit - 2 **Questions and Statements**

: Questions and Statements Form

Function: Making Enquiries and Gathering Information

I. Warm-up

Work in groups. Prepare a quiz of ten questions on India. Keep the answers ready. Shoot the questions at the group next to you.

II. Role play the following dialogues

a. Sahana and Saritha are planning to buy a gift for their friend Smitha who is leaving shortly to the US for her studies. They discuss what would be the ideal gift for her.

Sahana: Saritha, what would be a useful gift for Smitha?

Do you know if she needs something?

I am not sure really. Would a travelling bag be a Saritha:

good idea?

Sahana: I think she has already bought some bags.

Oh, then we have to think of something else. How Saritha:

about a good dictionary? I remember her saying

that she wanted to get one before she left.

Sahana: Did she? Then why don't we go to the book store

now?

Saritha: Sure. Give me a minute. I'll get my bag and umbrella.

b. Meena is making arrangements to visit her grandmother in Kerala. She talks to her room-mate Selvi about her trin.

Meena : Selvi, I am really I am making this

trip. It's been months since I saw my grandmother.

: Where does she live? Selvi

Meena: She's in Calicut with my uncle.

Selvi : Isn't that the place where Vasco-da-gama landed?

Meena : You are right. You paid attention in the geography

classes I suppose!

: I sure did. When are you leaving? Selvi

Meena: This weekend. I'll be back before Diwali though.

Selvi : That's good. I don't like being alone here.

c. Dimple asks her friend Ramya for some beauty tips.

Dimple: Hi Ramya! You look lovely as always. How do

you get this glow on your face?

Ramya: Simple Dimple! I drink plenty of water.

Dimple: Just water makes you glow? I am sure there is

something else you do!

Ramya: I eat the right food too. No chips. No cakes and

no ice-cream!

Dimple: But I love chips! Do you do any exercises?

Ramya: I do some yoga regularly.

Dimple: That's the secret! I just read that yoga keeps you

young!

Ramya : Now you can look young too!

III. Grammar

A. Form

1. Questions: Questions can be both positive and negative.

Positive	Negative
Did you meet your friend? Can I borrow your book?	Don't you like ice-cream? Mustn't you save some money?
Does she know about the meeting?	Won't you come with me?

Some questions begin with a wh-word. They are called wh-questions.

What are you reading? Where were you?

• Some questions can be answered with yes or no. They are called yes/no questions.

Did she meet the doctor? Have you met the publisher?

• If there is an auxiliary verb (be, do, have, can, will, etc.), we put it in front of the subject.

Have you read this book? Why are they not coming to the party?

• If there is no other auxiliary verb, we make a question by putting do or does (present simple), or did in front of the subject.

Does she know the train leaves early in the morning? When did they arrive?

Question Words with Examples

Question word	Example
Where	Where do you live?
Who	Who are you?
When	When do you get up?
What	What are you doing?
Why	Why do you smoke?
Whose	Whose book is this?
Which	Which bus do you take to school?
How	How old are you?

2. Statements: Like questions, statements too can be positive or negative.

Positive	Negative
She will buy the house.	She will not buy the house
I can attend the meeting.	I cannot attend the meeting
We love to travel.	We never go for movies.

In a positive statement, the subject is followed by the verb.

Ravi was listening to the song. Meera loves to cook.

When we add the word not to the form of be (is, are, was, were) or to the auxiliary verb (will, have etc.), the sentence becomes negative.

Ravi was not listening to the song. Manoj does not play tennis.

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Contracted form of the verb can be used in speaking and informal writing.

Radha wasn't listening to the song. Jai isn't playing today.

B. Function: When looking for information and giving answers both wh- and yes/no questions are used. The questions and statements can be both negative and positive depending on the information given.

Example

Can I borrow your dictionary for a minute? Seema :

: Yes, of course you may. Rani

: Where did you buy this latest edition? Seema

: I don't really know. It was a gift from my English Rani

teacher.

Seema : Isn't there a book store in the campus?

: Yes, there is a shop called Gurunath where you Rani

can find all kinds of books.

Seema: Where is Gurunath?

: It is just behind the Central Library. You can't Rani

miss it.

Seema : Can we go there now?

Rani : I am afraid not. It closes by 5 p.m. and it is

already 6.

Seema : Oh! Maybe tomorrow then?

Rani : Yes of course

IV. Task I

a. Frame questions for the underlined part.

e.g.: Ramu plays only cricket. What does Ramu play?

1. Jamuna is writing a letter.

2. Ramya speaks five languages.

3. German is an easy language.

4. The students are in the auditorium.

5. She walks home from school.

6. Gautam has a farm house in Delhi.

7. Harini drinks only tea.

8. Devaki did not go to school because she was sick.

9. We are going to Singapore next year.

10. The train will arrive now.

b. Match the questions with appropriate answers.

1. Where have you been?	Oh, I don't want to talk about it.
2. How was the test?	I am always free.
3. Can you tell me where the post office is?	I wish I knew!
4. When can I meet you?	Just lazing around
5. Who is that pretty girl?	Maybe a fortune!
6. How much does that car cost?	I am sorry! I have no idea

c. Correct the following questions.

e.g.: What time now? What's the time now?

1. When comes the train?

2. Watch you movies?

3. Speak you English?

: Just a moment mother._____

: Lovely!

: It's your favourite 'appam and stew'.

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8. Why you9. How man10. Think yo	wo sisters? In the match? In the letter? In the post the letter? In the questions you given? In the pour should improve your English? In the post that you should improve your English?
1. I'd like to 2. She wor 3. Neither 3 4. Whenev 5. Before 6 6. I usually 7. I have n 8. When I	the following sentences. It know how much
lunch. Co	nd Rishi are at a restaurant. They are about to order omplete the conversation which they have with the waiter. Good afternoon. May I take your order?
Kavya	We have okra and drumstick soup.
	Don't you have any non-vegetarian soup?
Waiter :	Sure
Rishi :	That's nice. I would like to have some chicken soul please. Kavya,
Kavya :	I think I will try the okra soup. It sounds interesting.
Waiter :	,

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 Rar	ni	:	Si	course I would love to pack some for Rajesh. inil, your other friend also love to have some?	
Ral	nul		Th	at would be great	?
Rai			It's	s in your room	?
Rai			l s	hould be back by 4 p.m.	
Rai					?
Ra	(5-13)	:	No	o, my piano master is not in town.	
V.	Wr	iti	ng		
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	te dialo		es f	or the following situations using appropriate questio	ns and
а.	Write who w	a c vist	on ies	versation between an English teacher and a s to improve her speaking skills.	tudent
	Beena	ì	:	Good morning madam. I want to improve my speskills before I leave this college.	eaking
	Teach	er	:		
	Beena	1	:		
	Teach	er	:		
	Write a		onv	versation between two friends who are planning	g their
	Rekha Radha		:	How soon the four years have gone by!	

c. Write a conversation between two women who think they have met somewhere, but are not very sure about it. Add some humour!

Rekha Radha

- d. You have just arrived at the Chennai airport and would like to know the way to a hotel in Egmore. You are asking a security officer to guide you about:
 - 1. The distance from the airport to Egmore.
 - 2. How you can reach there.
 - 3. The frequency of bus services in the city.
 - 4. The main tourist attractions.

Just a thought!

Which is the road to success? I wish I knew! In the journey of life how do I find peace? Maybe you should stop asking so many questions!

Unit - 3 **Imperatives**

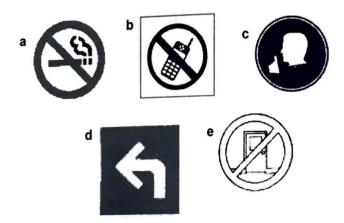
Form

: Imperatives

Commands and Requests Function:

1. Warm-up

Look at these common signs that you come across everyday and say what they mean.



e.g. a. Do not smoke here./No smoking

II. Role play the following dialogues

a. Hotel guest

: Get me a taxi, please.

Hotel travel desk: Sure, Sir. Where do you want to go?

Hotel guest

To Citi Centre.

Hotel travel desk: Fine, Sir. Please be seated. The taxi

will arrive shortly.

Hotel guest

Thank you.

b. Computer Science

teacher

Click the left mouse button

Student

: Like this?

Computer Science

teacher

Yes. Choose Save from the menu bar.

Student

Ok.

Computer Science

teacher

That's it. You have saved the file

c. Mother

Don't drink that milk! It is hot.

Child

Ouch! I burnt my tongue.

Mother

Wait. Let me cool it for you.

d. Teacher

Class, open your textbooks.

Student

Which page ma'am?

Teacher

Page 30.

Student

Can I read the first paragraph?

Teacher

Sure. Go ahead

III. Grammar

A. Function

We use imperatives for different reasons.

• To give instructions.

Turn left at the end of the road. Enter the password.

• To give warnings.

Be careful! The vessal is hot.

Look out! There's a bee in your hair.

• To give advice.

Carry some cash. They may not accept credit cards.

Never be late for an appointment.

• To ask people to do things.

Help me carry this box.

Open the window, please.

• To make offers.

Please have some coffee. Shall I make some tea?

To wish people good things.

Have a nice time.

Take care of yourself.

B. Form

1. Positive Imperative

• The form of the verb does not change.

Open your books.

• Other words are added to give more information or to make the meaning clearer.

Help me! Help me with my homework.

• 'Please' is added to make it more polite.

Please keep quiet.

• The name of a person can be added to identify the person being spoken to.

Rema, come here.

Note: We can make the imperative 'more polite' by adding 'do'.

Do be quiet.

Do come.

Do sit down.

2. Negative Imperative

- We add 'don't' before the verb.

 Don't be late for the exam.
- 'Do not' is used formally and in official notices and documents.

Do not drink and drive.

IV. Task I

- a. Match the words in the two columns to make imperatives.
 - 1. Don't
- a. your project work.
- 2 Switch
- b. left at the end of the road.
- 3. Let's
- c. open the door.
- 4. Complete
- d. come in.
- 5. Do
- e. on the lights, please.
- 6. Turn
- f. go for a movie!
- b. Choose the best sentence that answers the question.
 - 1. Which flight do you think I should take?
 - i. Take the early one. It's very convenient.
 - ii. Speak to me later, please.
 - 2. What time should I get there?
 - i. Stop worrying and get on with your life.
 - ii. Don't come early. The meeting never starts on time.
 - 3. We're off to Thailand on Saturday.
 - i. Enjoy yourselves.
 - ii. Don't think twice; it's all right.
 - 4. How do I reach the post office?.
 - i. Reach fast.
 - ii. Take the first left.

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- i. Don't leave without saying goodbye!
- ii. Insert the token in the slot and press the button.
- c. Pick a word or phrase from the box and use it to replace the PICK a word or princes the sentence without changing the meaning underlined words in the sentence without changing the meaning

Remember Save Go Arrive early Take Give me

- 1. Help him! He's drowning.
- 2. Pass the salt, please.
- 3. Turn right at the end of the corridor.
- 4. Don't forget to take warm clothing.
- 5. Catch the first flight in the morning.
- 6. Don't be late. The movie starts at 6 o'clock.

Task 2

- a Here are some instructions to make dosa. Put them in the correct order.
 - Serve the dosa with chutney and sambar.
 - 2. Heat a frying pan until it is hot.
 - 3. Turn the dosa when golden brown and cook the other side.
 - 4. Spoon in the paste onto a frying pan and spread it in a circular motion.
 - 5. Make a paste with 250 g. soaked rice and 50 g dal and a little bit of salt.
- b. Rohit is at the doctor's. He wants to improve his health. Complete the doctor's instructions to Rohit.

 weight.
 exercise.
 smoking.
 lots of water

red meat.
salt and sugar.
calm.
get angry and stressed.
for 8 hours

Don't/ Drink/ Stay/ Sleep/ Do/ Lose/ Quit/ Reduce/ Avoid

V. Writing

Task 3

Write dialogues for the following cartoons using imperatives.

Excuse me. Don't talk while can you give me eating! some tips on Don't chew.... taste manners?





Just a thought!

The four imperatives of leadership according to Stephen R Covey—

- inspire trust
- clarify purpose
- align systems
- unleash talent