

The Nine Parts Of Speech.

Can be sung to the tune St. Bartholomew by Henry Duncalf (1762)

A NOUN's the name of anything,
As *house* or *garden*, *hoop* or *swing*.
ADJECTIVES describe the kind of noun
As *great*, *small*, *pretty*, *white* or *brown*.

Instead of nouns the PRONOUNS fit-
As *he* and *you* and *they* and *it*.
VERBS tell of something being done,
To *read*, *write*, *count*, *sing*, *jump* or *run*.

How, when and where the ADVERBS tell,
As *slowly*, *near*, *now* or *well*.
CONJUNCTIONS join the words together,
As men *and* women, wind *or* weather.

The PREPOSITION stands before
A noun as *in* or *through* a door.
The interjection shows surprise,
As *Oh*, how pretty! *Ah*, how wise!

Three little words you often see,
Are ARTICLES: *a*, *an* and *the*.
The whole are called NINE PARTS OF SPEECH,
Which reading, writing, speaking, teach.