

THE FOOLISH DONKEY

In a village there lived a merchant who sold salt. He would load bags full of salt on his donkey's back every morning. Then they would go to the town to sell it. To reach the town, the merchant and his donkey had to cross a stream. One day the donkey accidentally fell into the stream. As a result the salt bags also fell into the water. The salt dissolved and the bags became light. This made the donkey happy.

Then the donkey started purposely falling into the water daily. The merchant understood the donkey's trickery. He decided to teach it a lesson. After a few days, he loaded a bag full of cotton on the donkey's back. The donkey again fell into the stream thinking it would become light. However, the wet cotton became heavy and the donkey suffered a lot carrying it. But it learnt a lesson. It stopped playing tricks on the merchant. The merchant was happy.

To which part of speech do the underlined words in the above story belong? Write them in the columns given below. One is done for you. Students may take a printout of this page.

	<u>Word</u>	-	<u>part of speech</u>		<u>Word</u>	-	<u>part of speech</u>
1.	Sold	-	verb	9	_____	-	_____
2.	_____	-	_____	10.	_____	-	_____
3.	_____	-	_____	11.	_____	-	_____
4.	_____	-	_____	12.	_____	-	_____
5.	_____	-	_____	13.	_____	-	_____
6.	_____	-	_____	14.	_____	-	_____
7.	_____	-	_____	15.	_____	-	_____
8.	_____	-	_____			-	_____

Pick out ten nouns from the above story and say their kinds too. One is done for you. Students may take a printout of this page.

	<u>noun</u>	-	<u>kind of noun</u>
1.	village	-	common noun
2.	_____	-	_____
3.	_____	-	_____
4.	_____	-	_____
5.	_____	-	_____

	<u>noun</u>	-	<u>kind of noun</u>
6.	_____	-	_____
7.	_____	-	_____
8.	_____	-	_____
9.	_____	-	_____
10.	_____	-	_____