

GENDER OF NOUNS

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Gender of Nouns

In English nouns are not normally masculine or feminine except in the case of living creatures. Below are lists of gender nouns with blanks to fill in the opposite sex. These can be printed out and used for study or tests. [Tweet](#)

GENDER DISTINGUISHED BY INFLEXION (change in the word)

| Masculine | Feminine | Masculine | Feminine |
|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| abbot | abbess | lion | lioness |
| actor | actress | benefactor | benefactress |
| adulterer | adulteress | negro | negress |
| master | mistress | canon | canoness |
| author | authoress (or author) | patron | patroness |
| mayor | mayoress | count | countess |
| duke | duchess | peer | peeress |
| monitor | monitress | dauphin | dauphiness |
| baron | baroness | poet | poetess (or poet) |
| marquis | marchioness | deacon | deaconess |
| murderer | murderess | proprietor | proprietress (-trix) |
| enchanter | enchantress | preceptor | preceptress |
| prophet | prophetess | protector | protectress |
| god | goddess | prior | prioress |
| emperor | empress | giant | giantess |
| founder | foundress | heir | heiress |
| governor | governess | shepherd | shepherdess |
| seamster | seamstress | hunter | huntress |
| host | hostess | priest | priestess |
| elector | electress | songster | songstress |
| sorcerer | sorceress | instructor | instructress |
| tiger | tigress | inventor | inventress |
| traitor | traitress | Jew | Jewess |
| viscount | viscountess | | |

Fill in the blank space with the word for the female form of the noun.

| Masculine | Feminine | Masculine | Feminine |
|---|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| abbot actor adulterer master author mayor duke monitor baron marquis murderer enchanter prophet god emperor founder governor seamster host elector sorcerer tiger traitor viscount | | lion benefactor negro canon patron count peer dauphin poet deacon proprietor preceptor protector prior giant heir shepherd hunter priest songster instructor inventor Jew | |

Fill in the blank space with the word for the male form of the noun.

| Masculine | Feminine | Masculine | Feminine |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| abbe actress adulteress mistress authoress (or author) mayoress duchess monitress baroness marchioness murderess enchantress prophetess goddess empress foundress governess seamstress hostess electress sorceress tigress traitress viscountess | | lioness benefactress negress canoness patroness countess peeress dauphiness poetess (or poet) deaconess proprietress (-trix) preceptress protectress prioress giantess heiress shepherdess huntress priestess songstress instructress inventress Jewess | |

SEX INDICATED BY DISTINCT 'WORDS

| Masculine. | Feminine. | Common |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
| bachelor | maid, spinster | |
| boar | sow | hog, swine, pig |
| boy | girl | child, youth |
| bridegroom | bride | |
| brother | sister | sibling |
| buck | doe | deer |
| hart | roe | deer |
| stag | hind | deer |
| bull | cow | ox, neat |
| bullock, ox, steer | heifer | ox, neat |
| cock | hen | fowl |
| colt | filly | foal (also colt) |
| dog | bitch | dog, hound |
| drake | duck | duck |
| drone | bee | bee |
| earl | countess | |
| father | mother | parent |
| gaffer | gammer | |
| gander | goose | goose |
| gentleman | lady | |
| horse, stallion | mare | horse |
| husband | wife | spouse (poet.) |
| king | queen | sovereign |
| lad | lass | |
| lord | lady | |
| man | woman | man |
| monk, friar | nun | |
| nephew | niece | |
| papa | momma | |
| ram | ewe | sheep |
| sire | dam | |
| sloven | slut | |
| son | daughter | child |
| uncle | aunt | |
| wizard | witch | |

Fill in the blank space with the word for the female form of the noun.

| Masculine. | Feminine. | Common |
|--|------------------|---------------|
| bachelor boar boy bridegroom brother buck hart stag bull bullock, ox, steer cock colt dog drake drone earl father gaffer gander gentleman horse, stallion husband king lad lord man monk, friar nephew papa ram sire sloven son uncle wizard | | |

Fill in the blank space with the word for the male form of the noun.

| Feminine. | Masculine. | Common |
|--|-------------------|---|
| maid, spinster sow girl bride sister doe roe hind cow heifer hen filly bitch duck bee countess mother gammer goose lady mare wife queen lass lady woman nun niece momma ewe dam slut daughter aunt witch | | hog, swine, pig child, youth sibling deer deer deer ox, neat ox, neat fowl foal (also colt) dog, hound duck bee parent goose horse spouse (poet.) sovereign man sheep child |

GENDER IN COMMON NOUNS SHOWN BY A WORD INDICATING THE SEX

| Common . | Masculine. | Feminine. |
|----------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| ass | he-ass (jack-ass) | she-ass |
| bear | he-bear | she-bear |
| bird | cock-bird (male-bird) | hen-bird (female-bird) |
| calf | bull-calf | cow-calf |
| elephant | bull-elephant (male- elephant) | cow-elephant (female- elephant) |
| fox | dog-fox | bitch-fox |
| goat | he-goat | she-goat |
| pig | boar-pig | sow-pig |
| rabbit | buck-rabbit | doe-rabbit |
| servant | man-servant (male-servant) | maid-servant (female- servant) |
| sparrow | cock-sparrow | hen-sparrow. |

Fill in the blank space with the word for the male and female form of the noun.

| Common. | Masculine. | Feminine. |
|---|-------------------|------------------|
| ass bear bird calf elephant fox goat pig rabbit servant sparrow | | |

Fill in the blank space with the word for the common and female form of the noun.

| Common. | Masculine. | Feminine. |
|----------------|---|------------------|
| | he-ass (jack-ass) he-bear cock-bird (male-bird) bull-calf bull-elephant (male- elephant) dog-fox he-goat boar-pig buck-rabbit man-servant (male-servant) cock-sparrow | |