

Chapter 5. Nouns : Gender

Exercise 1. Some nouns are given below. Write them in proper columns:

tub	ewe	brush	cousin
bird	lawn	drone	owner
lass	colt	house	hostess
heir	niece	duke	aeroplane
doe	guest	drake	neighbour

No.	Masculine	Feminine	Common	Neuter
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				

Exercise 2. Nouns on the left are no longer in use because they suggest **gender bias**. Draw lines to match them with the forms now preferred:

Forms No Longer in Use

1. chairman
2. foreman
3. wife/husband
4. manpower
5. mankind
6. salesman
7. policeman
8. poet/poetess
9. actor/actress
10. air hostess

Preferred Forms

- a. workforce
- b. poet
- c. police force
- d. spouse
- e. chairperson
- f. flight attendant
- g. actor
- h. supervisor
- i. salesperson/sales staff
- j. humankind/humanity