The names of English language words

** *Lexical vs Grammatical Words in EVM* **

Word-classes (or parts of speech):

- nouns[1]: apparatus, canine, cell, epidemic, flu, heifer, herd, isolate, livestock, outbreak, oxygen, prion, scientist, surgeon, surgery, vaccine, virus, …
- verbs[2]: (to) breed, (to) deal with, (to isolate) (to) lay, (to) lei, (to) spread, (to) suffer from, …
- adjectives[4]: canine, epidemic, infectious, mellitus, mild, wild, …
- adverbs[5]: carefully, highly, importantly, often, slowly, very …

LEXICAL or **CONTENT WORDS**[3]

- auxiliary and modal verbs
- adverbs of time and place
- prepositions: at, about, in, of, on, …
- pronouns: I, me, you, them, that, who …
- articles and determiners: a, the, this, my, …
- conjunctions and linking words: and; according to; both … and; but, in order to; either … or; neither … nor; the former … the latter; …
- interjections

GRAMMATICAL or FUNCTION WORDS[6]

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[1] Both personal, common and collective nouns.
[2] The so-called "full" or "main verbs" only are *lexical words*.
[3] Also called **open word-classes**.
[4] Qualifiers only.
[5] Adverbs of manner only – i.e. those deriving from qualifiers – and some adverbs of time.
[6] Also called **closed word-classes**.