

9.	girl	10.	boy	
11.	woman	12.	man	
13.	bridegroom	14.	cousin	

#### Some Common Examples of Masculine and Feminnine Gender

Masculine	Feminine	Masculine	Feminine
god	goddess	lion	lioness
author	authoress	waiter	waitress
poet	poetess	landlord	landlady
nephew	niece	emperor	empress
son	daughter	actor	actress
grandfather	grandmother	bachelor	maid
uncle	aunt	sir	madam
father	mother	prince	princess
boy	girl	king	queen
monk	nun	cock	hen
gentleman	lady	stallion	mare
man servant	maid servant	bull	cow
hero	heroine	peacock	peahen
master	mistress	tiger	tigress

# Changing from Masculine to Feminine Gender By adding 'ess'

Masculine	Feminine	Masculine	Feminine
prince	princess	lion	lioness
count	countess	shepherd	shepherdess
emperor	empress	priest	priestess
author	authoress	actor	actress
poet	poetess	emperor	empress
peer	peeress	jew	jewess
patron	patroness	headmaster	headmistress
master	mistress	waiter	waitress
god	goddess	host	hostess
hunter	huntress		
tiger	tigress		









## The feminine of some compound nouns can be formed from their masculine by changing that part which shows the gender.

brother-in-law	sister-in-law	maternal-uncle	maternal-aunt
salesman	saleswoman	father-in-law	mother-in-law
land-lord	land-lady	step-father	step-mother
he-goat	she-goat	man-servant	maid-servant

#### Many nouns have different words for the feminine and the masculine.

buck	doe	milkman	milkmaid
bull	cow	cock	hen
father	mother	brother	sister
king	queen	husband	wife
dog	bitch	widower	widow
monk	nun	sir	madam
boy	girl	father	mother
colt	filly	gander	goose
horse	mare	bachelor	spinster

#### B. Write the opposite gender of the following.



### **Points to Remember**

- There are four genders: **masculine, feminine, common** and **neuter gender**.
- A noun that refers to a male is said to be of the **masculine gender**.
- A noun that refers to a female is said to be of the **feminine gender**.
- A noun that refers to both male and female is said to be of the common gender.
- A noun that refers to a non-living thing is said to be of the **neuter gender**.







Skills/Level







Read the passage and change the gender of the relevant words. Make pronouns changes, too.

A man went to a shop to buy some grocery. He gave the lady in the shop, grocery list. Then he saw a boy coming in with his mother and sister. He wanted to have some candies. His mother bought him candies. He was happy. His sister wanted to have chips. So mother got her chips. They left the shop.









Divide the class into two groups.

First ask a child from Group A to come to you. Then ask him/her to roll a dice randomly: Suppose his/her dice falls on the picture of a boy.

In his/her second turn he/she must try to roll a die on the girl. If he/she becomes successful to roll the dice on the respective opposite gender noun, then he/she wins five points.

Ask another child from group B and continue the game for a stipulated time period. The group with most number of points wins the game.

















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