

Masculine and Feminine

The gender of a noun indicates whether it is masculine, feminine or neuter.

- **Masculine** (male) – example: **man, tiger, priest.**
- **Feminine** (female) – example: **women, tigress, priestess.**
- **Neuter** (neither male nor female) – example: **table, chair, and pen.**

Example: Girl is feminine.

Boy is masculine.

The **man** lost his wallet.

The **women** lost her purse.

Q. Write the feminine words for the following masculine words.

Example: uncle --- aunt

masculine	feminine	masculine	feminine
a. brother	_____	b. father	_____
c. nephew	_____	d. boy	_____
e. husband	_____	f. man	_____
g. grand father	_____	h. bull	_____
i. king	_____	j. wizard	_____
k. sir	_____	l. gentleman	_____
m. horse	_____	n. son	_____

Some masculine nouns can be changed into the feminine noun by adding an ‘-ess’.

Q. Write the feminine nouns in the spaces provided.

Example: lion ----- lioness

masculine	feminine	masculine	feminine
a. poet	_____	b. priest	_____
c. steward	_____	d. host	_____
e. tailor	_____	f. host	_____

Some masculine nouns can be changed into the feminine noun by adding an ‘-ess’ after dropping the final vowel before the last consonant.

Q. Write the feminine word for the following masculine words.

Example: **tiger ---- tigress**

masculine	feminine	masculine	feminine
a. waiter	_____	b. instructor	_____
c. actor	_____	d. director	_____
f. traitor	_____	g. prince	_____