

Ln-4 Nouns: gender

Q- What is gender?

Ans- The noun which denotes male or female sex is called gender.

Such as - Horse
Dog
Ox.
Father

denotes male sex

Mare
Bitch
Cow
Mother

denotes female sex

Gender

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Masculine
gender

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Feminine
gender

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common
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Neuter
gender

① Masculine gender :- The noun which denotes male sex is called masculine gender.

For exa- boy, father, dog, cock, king etc.
dearie, deer, drake, gander

(2) Feminine gender - The noun which denotes female sex is called feminine gender.

For exa - girl, mother, sister, cow, hen etc
deer, goose, vixen, duck

(3) Common gender - Common gender nouns refer to beings which can be either male or female ex - cousin, friend, leader, parent, student.

* The names of many professions and positions are also the same for both women and men.

Professions - cook, doctor, pilot, engineer, nurse etc

Positions - Prime Minister, President, Chairperson, Secretary

(4) Neuter gender - The noun which denotes a nonliving object or thing is called neuter gender.

For exa - inkpot, pen, flower, tree
table etc.