

Nouns Acting as Adjectives

particle size

particle sizes

temperature change

temperature changes.

copper wire

copper wires.

Exercises

1- Study these sentences

They have built a bridge of concrete.

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Now rewrite the following sentences in the same way:

1- A wall off concrete round the reactor absorbs the radiation.

2- Tubes for carrying water run through the boiler.

3- They have supplied us with tools mads of steel.

4- Fuses are usually put in a holder of glass.

5- Man has used the power of steam.

6- They have fixed up new lights for traffic at this road-junction.

7- Our company is going to get equipment for building.

8- Operators who operate machines should not wear loose clothes.

2- Make the following sentences plural :

1- There is a mercury thermometer in our lab.

2- A steam engine is not used in airplanes.

3- A passenger train should arrive in time.

4- A stop watch keeps time well.

5- There is a power station in the north of the country.

6- A metal surface reflects light.

7- An experienced machine operator is needed in our workshop.

8- A hydrogen atom is the lightest atom that man knows.

As.....as

Concrete is as strong as a solid rock.

Lead is almost as useful as iron.

- When two things have (or have not) the same quality , we use (as.... as).

(just , almost , or nearly) can be used before the first (as).

Exercise

Make sentences using the expressions listed below. Say the tow nouns are equal with respect to the quality

named by the adjective or adverb :

Noun	Noun	Quality
1- pure gold	silver	soft
2- rubber	lead	useful
3- a mercury thermometer	a metallic one	good for measuring
temperature.		
4- a diesel engine	a petrol engine	efficient.
5- transistors	generators	necessary.
6- ultra-violet rays	light	quickly.
7- a computer	man	skillfully.
8- dining-room	living room	