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This story shows how _____ Adjective _____ Einstein could be. Not long after his arrival in _____ Proper Noun _____ he was invited, by the wife of one of the _____ Noun - Plural _____ of mathematics at Princeton, to be guest of honor at a tea party.-Reluctantly, Einstein consented. After the tea had progressed for a time, the excited hostess, _____ Pronoun _____ to have such an eminent guest of honor, fluttered out into the center of activity and with raised _____ Noun - Plural _____ silenced the group. Bubbling out some words expressing her _____ Noun _____ and pleasure, she turned to Einstein and said: "I wonder, _____ Proper Noun _____. Einstein, if you would be so kind as to explain to my guests in a few words, just what is relativity theory ? "

Without any hesitation Einstein rose to his _____ Verb - Past Tense _____ and told a story. He said he was reminded of a walk he one day had with his blind friend. The day was _____ Adjective _____ and he turned to the blind friend and said, "I wish I had a glass of milk."

"Glass," replied the blind friend, "I know what that is. But what do you mean by milk?"

"Why, milk is a white _____ Verb - Past Tense _____," explained Einstein.

"Now _____ Pronoun _____, I know what that is," said the blind man. "but what is white ? "

" Oh, white is the color of a swan's feathers."

" _____ Verb - Non 3rd Person Singular Present _____, now I know what they are, but what is a swan ? "

"A _____ Determiner _____ is a bird with a crooked neck."

" Neck, I know what that is, but what do you mean by crooked ? "

At this point Einstein said he lost his patience. He seized his blind friend's arm and pulled it straight. "There, now your arm is straight," he said. Then he bent the blind friend's arm at the elbow. "Now it is crooked."

"Ah," said the blind friend. "Now I know what milk is."

And Einstein, at the tea, sat down.