


► Say it: ex • pert

Write it: _____

Meaning	Example	
someone who has special skills or knowledge about a subject	Many wildlife experts believe that _____ bears could be extinct by _____.	
Forms		Family
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Singular:</i> expert • <i>Plural:</i> experts 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Noun:</i> expertise • <i>Adjective:</i> expert • <i>Adverb:</i> expertly
Word Partners		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • consult an _____ • _____ in the field of • leading _____ 	If you have a problem with your car, you should consult an expert . A pediatrician is an expert in the field of children's medicine. My uncle is a leading expert in urban pollution and is often invited to appear on talk shows about the subject.	

Verbal Practice

Talk about It Read each sentence and think about how you would complete it.

Discuss your idea with your partner using the sentence frame.

Listen carefully to your partner's and classmates' ideas.

Write your favorite idea in the blank.

- 1 If you break something valuable, such as your _____, it's a good idea to consult an expert about repairing it.
- 2 You don't have to be a computer expert to know that you should always _____.

Writing Practice

Collaborate Work with your partner to complete the sentence using the correct form of **expert** and appropriate content.

In our class, _____ and _____ are _____ on music.

Your Turn Work independently to complete the sentence using the correct form of **expert** and appropriate content.

One day I would like to become a leading _____ in the field of _____.

Be an Academic Author Work independently to write two sentences. In your first sentence, use **expert** in the *singular form* and include a word partner. In your second sentence, use **expert** in the *plural form*.

① _____

② _____

grammar tip

Count nouns name things that can be counted. Count nouns have two forms, singular and plural. To make most count nouns plural, add *-s*.

Animal experts agree that manatees are endangered. He likes board games.

Write an Academic Paragraph Complete the paragraph using the correct form of **expert** and original content.

Detectives are _____^① at solving crimes. In fiction, detectives such as _____^② usually work alone or with a partner. They solve cases by searching for _____^③ and using their expertise to quickly catch _____^④. However, in real life, detectives may investigate a case for years and work with many other _____^⑤ in the search for answers. For example, when a case goes to trial, detectives often rely on forensics _____^⑥ to lend their expertise about evidence such as fingerprints or _____^⑦. While detectives are experts at solving crimes, they still have to _____^⑧ experts in other fields in order to fully investigate all evidence and charge someone with a crime.