

advantage

noun

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▶ Say it: ad • van • tage

Write it: _____

Academic Vocabulary Toolkit

Meaning

a positive quality or benefit

Antonym: disadvantage

Example

Eagles have the **advantage** of _____ eyesight, which allows them to spot _____ from far away.



Forms

- **Singular:** advantage
- **Plural:** advantages

Family

- **Adjective:** advantageous

Word Partners

- have an _____ over someone
Layla **has an advantage over** the other tennis players at school because she has been playing since she was 8 years old.
- take _____ of something
If you have the chance to travel abroad when you're young, you should **take advantage of** it.
- use something to (my/your/his/her/our/their) _____
Mike studied Latin in middle school, and he **used it to his advantage** when studying Spanish in high school.

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 Being tall is an **advantage** in a sport like _____.

② There are many **advantages** to having a large family, such as _____.

Writing Practice

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

Fresh _____ juice has the _____ of tasting delicious and being high in _____.

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

One _____ of living in a city is that _____.

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

① _____

② _____

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

There are many _____^① to having a smart phone. For one, smart phones feature an Internet connection and access to applications that are useful or _____^②. For example, applications featuring _____^③ allow you to instantly access directions to any location. You can also look up local restaurants or _____^④ to visit. However, there are also some disadvantages to having a smart phone. For one, smart phones are _____^⑤, as are the monthly bills. Smart phones can also _____^⑥ people and cause them to ignore their friends, families, and surroundings. Overall, smart phones have many _____^⑦—as long as you don't become obsessed with them.

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*.

Playing a sport has many advantages.
She answered the questions.