**I.** Some words can be used as a noun and as a verb

Here is an example:

**estimate**

Look at the examples below. Identify which sentences use **estimate** as a verb, and which ones use **estimate** as a noun. Write the answers in the space below the examples.

1. …employees should be considered and a reasonable **estimate** of those increases should be prepared.
2. **Estimate** the rate at which the temperature is increasing.
3. The figure to **estimate** Hubble's constant. (b) An **estimate** of the age of the universe can be obtained by…
4. Use the appropriate graph to make a rough **estimate** of the time at which the particle first
5. In this case, it is best to **estimate** the size of each subgroup separately.
6. Use the appropriate graphs to make a rough **estimate** of the time intervals on which the particle is
7. It obviously is important to have some **estimate** of how long it can last. Rough **estimates** do exist…
8. Make an **estimate** of the resulting change in the length of the day.
9. Use the graph to **estimate** the value of x.
10. We can use the numbers in the first row to **estimate** the probability that a customer will
11. Plot the corresponding v versus t curve and **estimate** the electron's velocity
12. Make an **estimate** of the resulting change in the length of the day.

Noun: **1**

Verb:

**II.** Look at the examples on page one again. Now, look at the phrases below. Which of these do you think is normal usage? Circle your answers.

1. make an estimate
2. have an estimate
3. estimate the rate
4. to estimate in
5. is made an estimate
6. a reasonable estimate of
7. a reasonable estimate by
8. estimate for rate
9. to have some estimate
10. to do some estimate

**III.** a.) Do you think any of these words would collocate with the verb **estimate**?

Circle your answers.

1. the price
2. the dimensions
3. the color
4. the taste
5. the heat
6. the temperature
7. the velocity
8. the happiness
9. the number
10. the distance

Look at the examples below. Would you change any of your answers in **III a** ?

1. and **estimate** the number of iterations required to get the root
2. for these algorithms and **estimate** the time required to compute
3. and should use a loop to **estimate** the price adjusted for inflation.
4. To **estimate** the construction costs
5. Use the graph to **estimate** the value of x that produces

b.) What do the words that follow the verb **estimate** have in common?

**IV**. Write a definition for the noun **estimate** and for the verb **estimate** in your own words.

Noun

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**V.**  a.) **Estimated** is the simple past of **estimate**. Do you think **estimated** can be used in another way?

Look at the following examples:

1. …then that cost is recognized over the **estimated** life of the asset through depreciation expense.
2. …each side of the line is recorded, together with the **estimated** distance from the observer to the
3. The program then outputs the **estimated** cost of the item after the specified period
4. Compute the **estimated** number of devices.
5. The graph shows the **estimated** time that it will take to finish the work.

c.) What do you think now? How is **estimated** used in these examples?