**Language of algebra:**

**Key ideas**

* **A pronumeral is a letter that stands for a number. If it could represent any number rather than just one, it is also called a variable**
* **Is written as and as**
* **A term consists of numbers and pronumerals combined with multiplication or division.**
  + **For example:**
  + **is a term, is a term, is a term, and is a term**
* **A term that does not contain any pronumerals is called a constant term. All numbers by themselves are constant terms. They never change their value.**
* **An expression consist of numbers and pronumerals combined with any operations. It does not include an equal sign.**
* **A coefficient is the number in front of the pronumeral. For example, the coefficient of in the expression is . This is the same as If there is no number in front, then the coefficient is 1.**
* **Sometimes different language is used in algebra:**
  + **Sum means**
  + **Product means**
  + **Difference means**
  + **Quotient means**

**Example**

* + **How many terms are there in this expression?**
  + **What is the coefficient of ?**
  + **What is the coefficient of ?**
  + **What is the coefficient of ?**
  + **What is the constant term?**