

**Figure 4.1**

### **Noun: Owner's Manual**

Congratulations on your wise purchase of a NOUN. Your NOUN may be used to fit into the following frame:

The \_\_\_\_\_.

Your NOUN is used to name people, places, things, ideas, qualities, states of mind, and all kinds of other things that need naming.

Your NOUN may be the kind of NOUN that can be made plural. Only NOUNS may be made plural.

Your NOUN may be able to be made possessive by adding 's. Only NOUNS may be made possessive. When you make your NOUN possessive, it does the job of an adjective (see Adjective: Owner's Manual).

Your NOUN may be easily converted into an adjective. All you have to do is put another NOUN after it and have them make sense together. (COW pasture, for example).

You may add all kinds of modifiers before and after your NOUN. You may replace your NOUN along with its modifiers with a pronoun.

Feel free to use your NOUN as a subject, direct object, indirect object, object complement, object of a preposition, appositive, or subject complement.

You may want to call your noun a nominal when you consider it together with its modifiers. A pronoun may also be called a nominal, since it does the work of a noun and its modifiers.