

CLASS: PRIMARY SCHOOL (UPPER)

SUBJECT: ENGLISH STUDIES

TOPIC: ADJECTIVES





Adjectives!

Learning Objectives

define an adjective

identify adjective in a sentence.

underline the adjective in a sentence.

learn three types of adjectives



Starter

How Much
Do You
Know?



Choose the correct form

Lagos is the _____ city in
Nigeria.

Largest

country

NEXT

Choose the correct form

Who is _____ player in
the team?

the boy

the best



Choose the correct form

Ibadan is one of _____ cities in the world.

the biggest

the people



Choose the correct form

He won N1 million. He's _____ man
I know.

the woman

the luckiest



Choose the correct form

Chinua Achebe books are _____
than films.

more movie

more interesting



Well done, class!



phillipmartin.info

DEFINITIONS

- Adjective is a word that describes nouns and pronouns.
- Adjectives are describing words.

Examples of adjectives:

Yellow, big, naughty, smaller, best, strongest, fast, green

The boy ran down the street.

+ADJECTIVE

The naughty boy ran down the street.

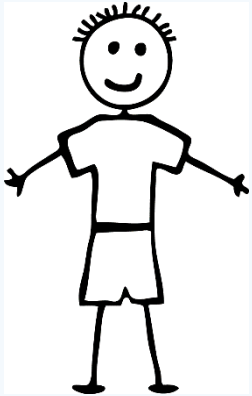
Task: Find the **adjectives** in the sentences:

- A yellow sun rose
- The small boy cried
- The girl painted a pretty picture.
- The old man wrote a long, boring book.
- Green grass was shining under the big, yellow sun.
- A car drove on a long, wide road.
- The boy threw a small ball over the roof.

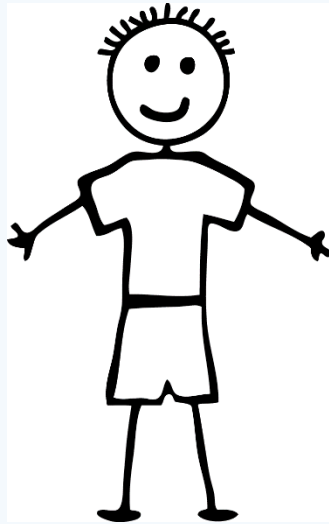
Solutions

- A yellow sun rose
- The small boy cried
- The girl painted a pretty picture.
- The old man wrote a long, boring book.
- Green grass was shining under the big, yellow sun.
- A car drove on a long, wide road.
- The boy threw a small ball over the roof.

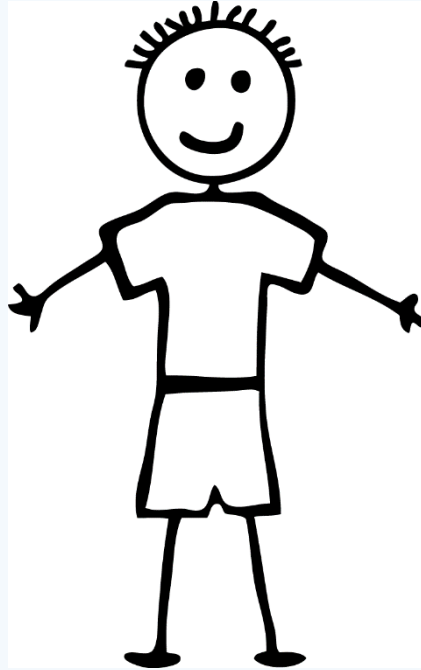
How do *adjectives* work?



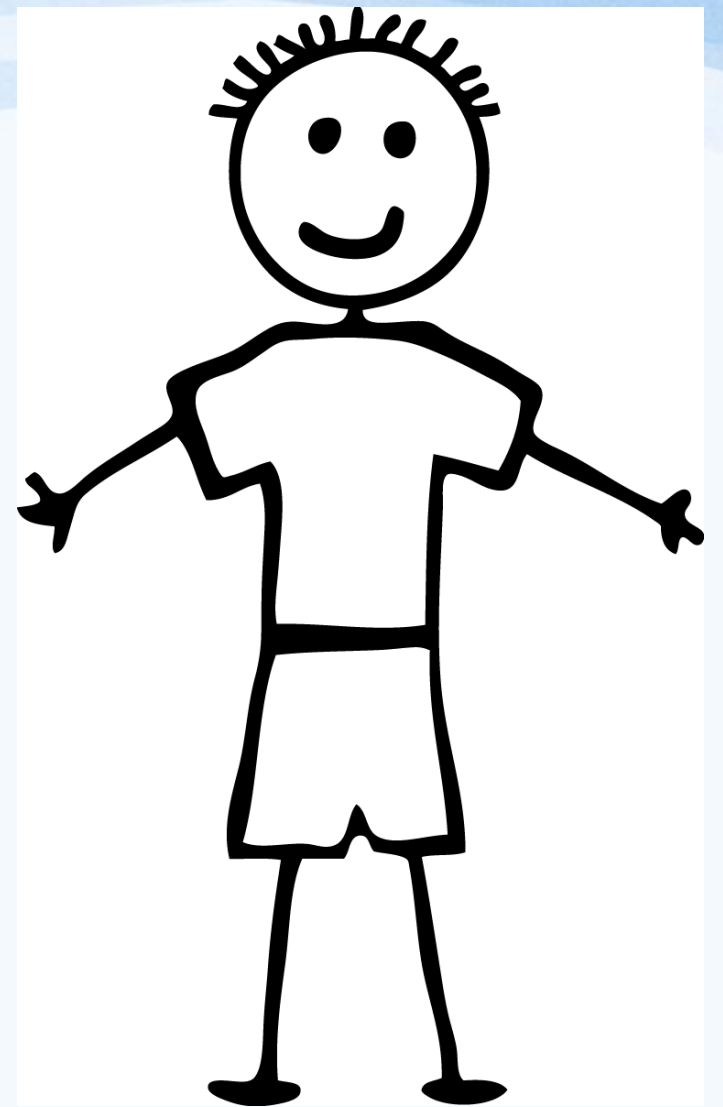
A boy



A *big* boy

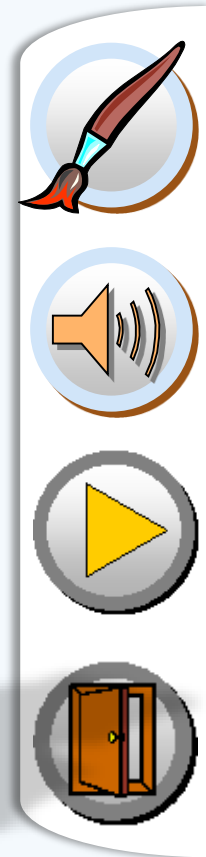


A *bigger* boy



The *biggest* boy

ADJECTIVES



young old

Opposites

ADJECTIVES

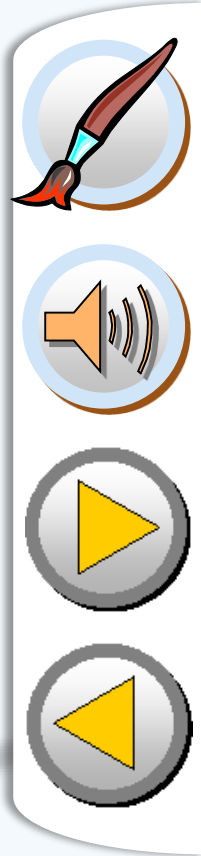


bad



good

Opposites

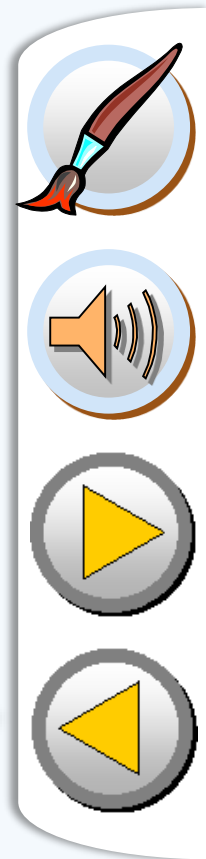


ADJECTIVES



sad happy

Opposites



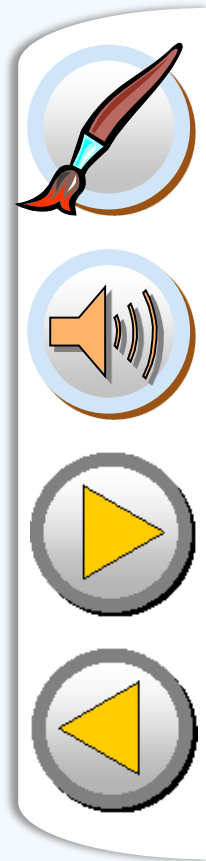
ADJECTIVES



fat

thin

Opposites

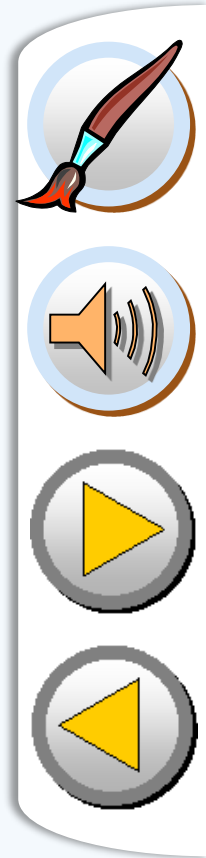


ADJECTIVES

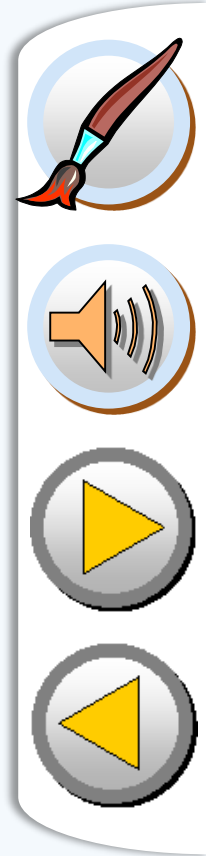
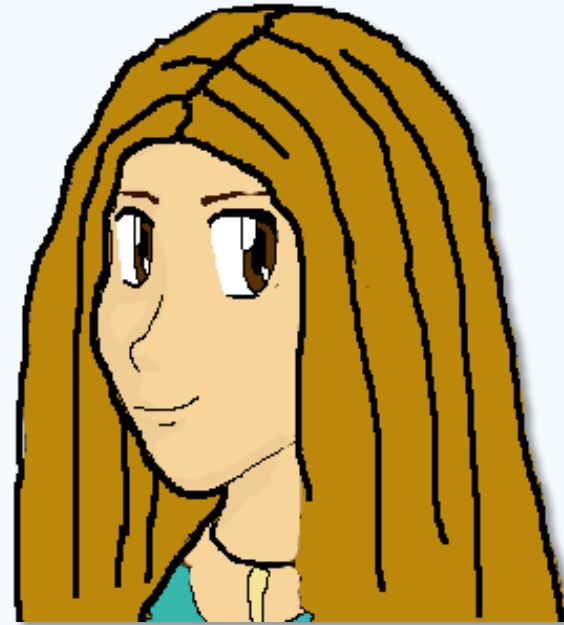
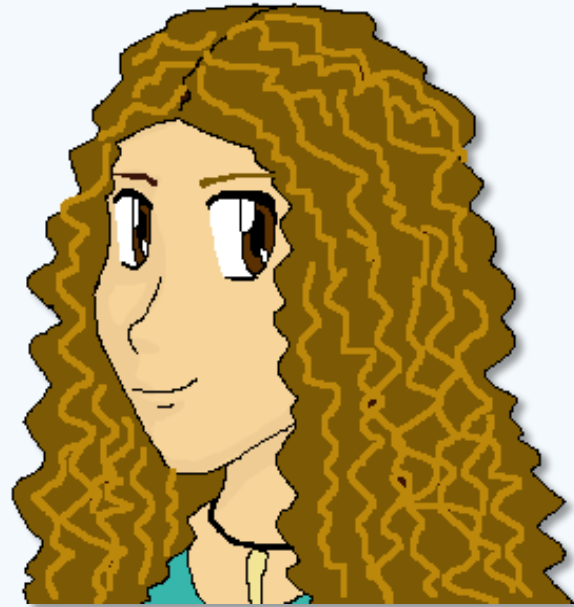


dirty clean

Opposites



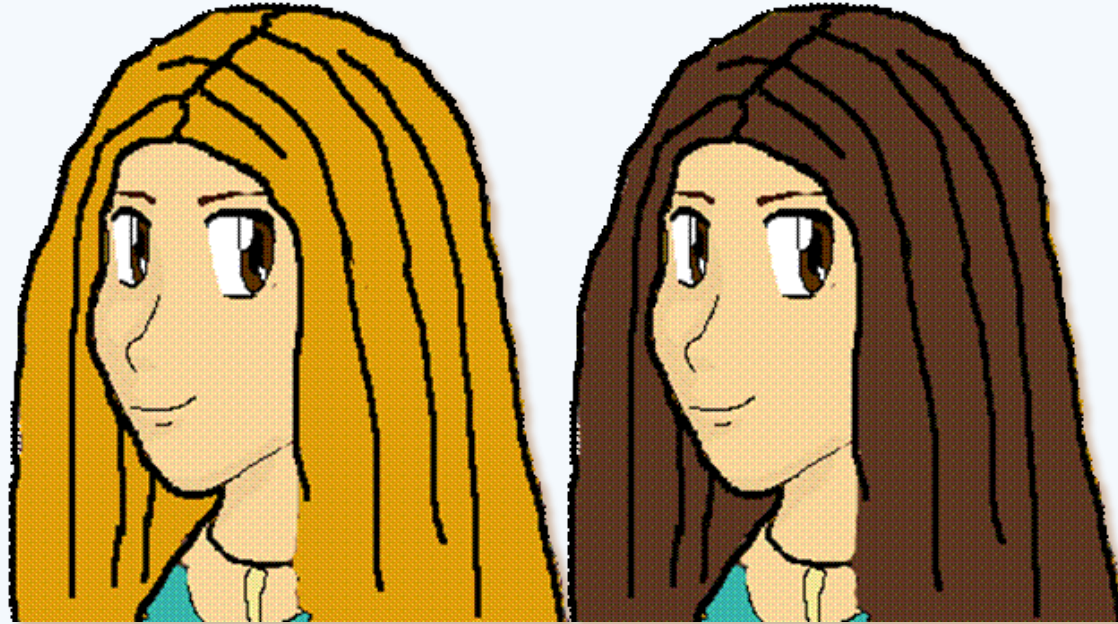
ADJECTIVES



curly straight

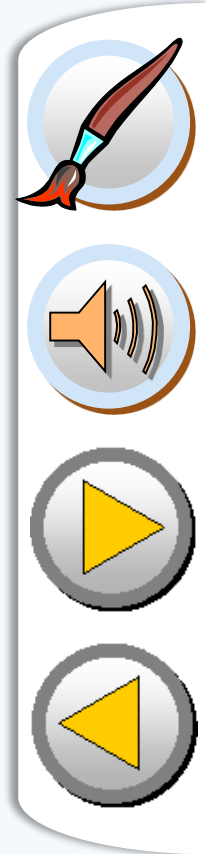
Opposites

ADJECTIVES



fair dark

Opposites

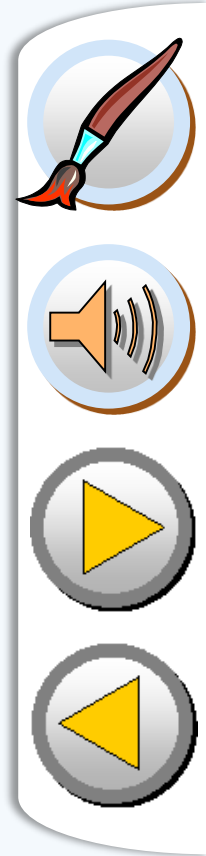


ADJECTIVES

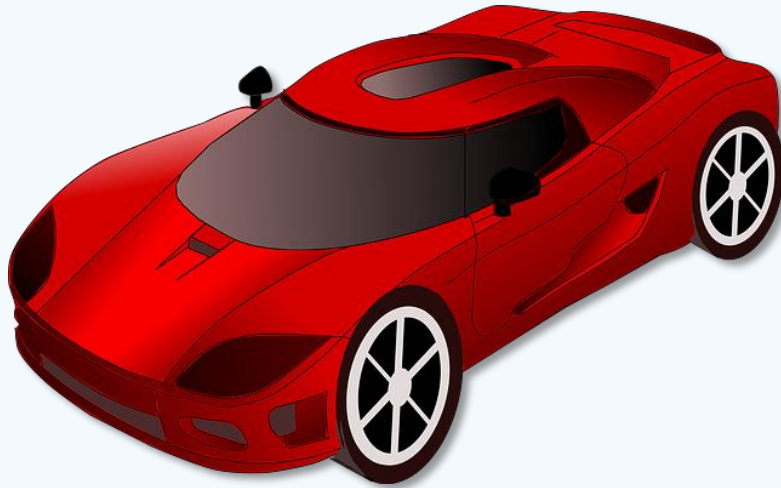


short long

Opposites



ADJECTIVES

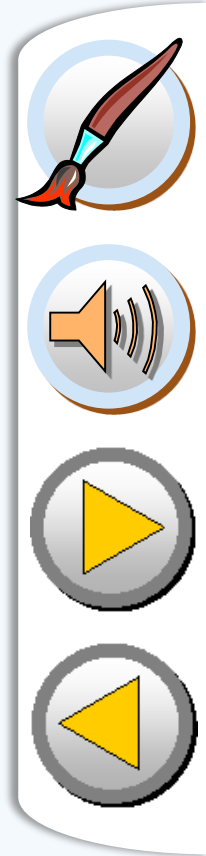


new

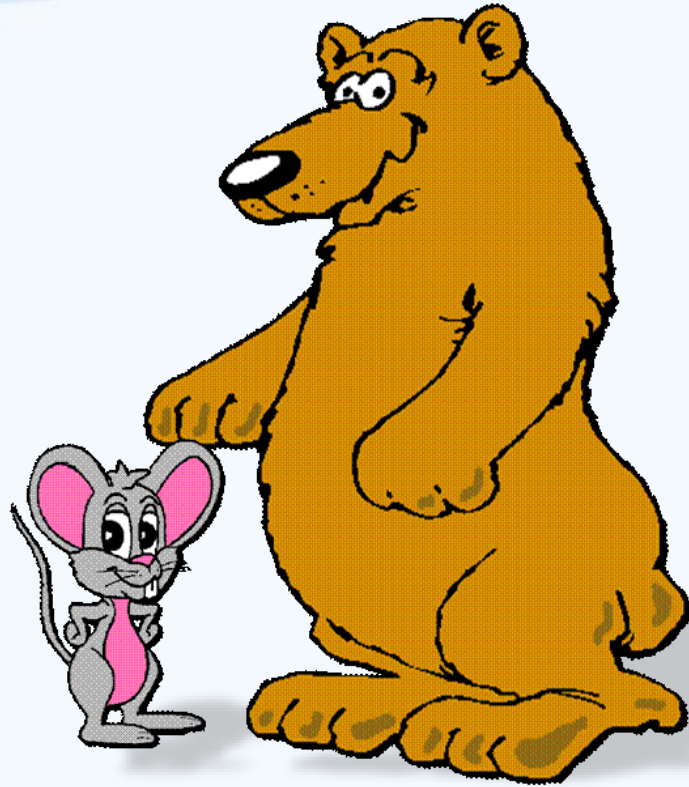


old

Opposites

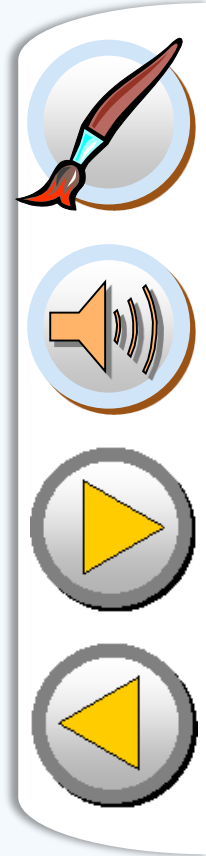


ADJECTIVES



small big

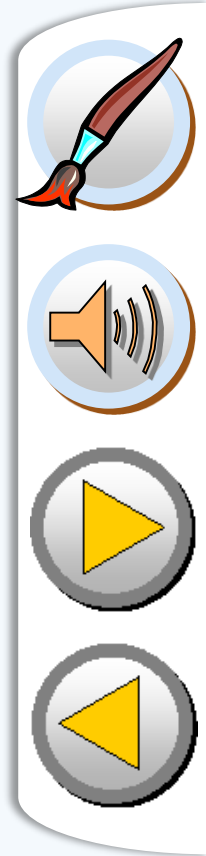
Opposites



ADJECTIVES



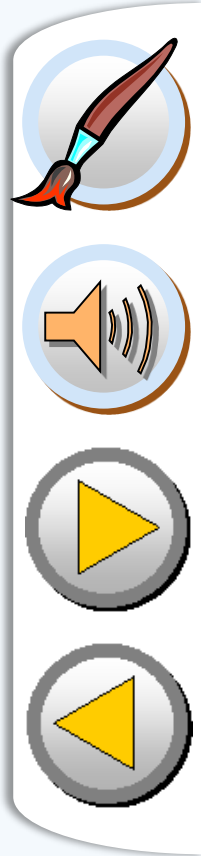
tired



ADJECTIVES



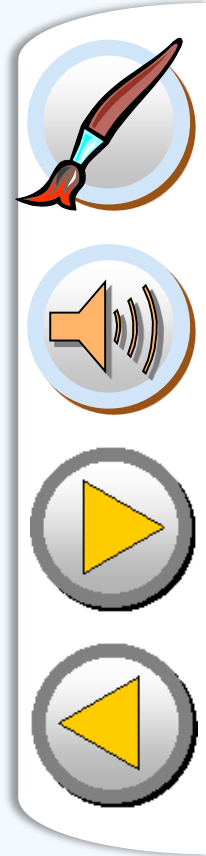
bored



ADJECTIVES



hungry



ADJECTIVES

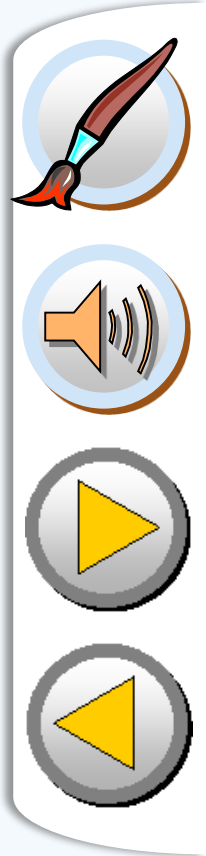


thirsty

ADJECTIVES



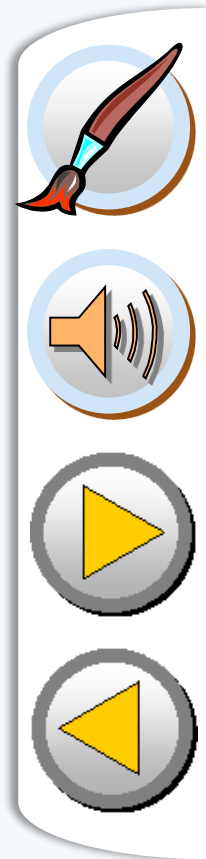
frightened



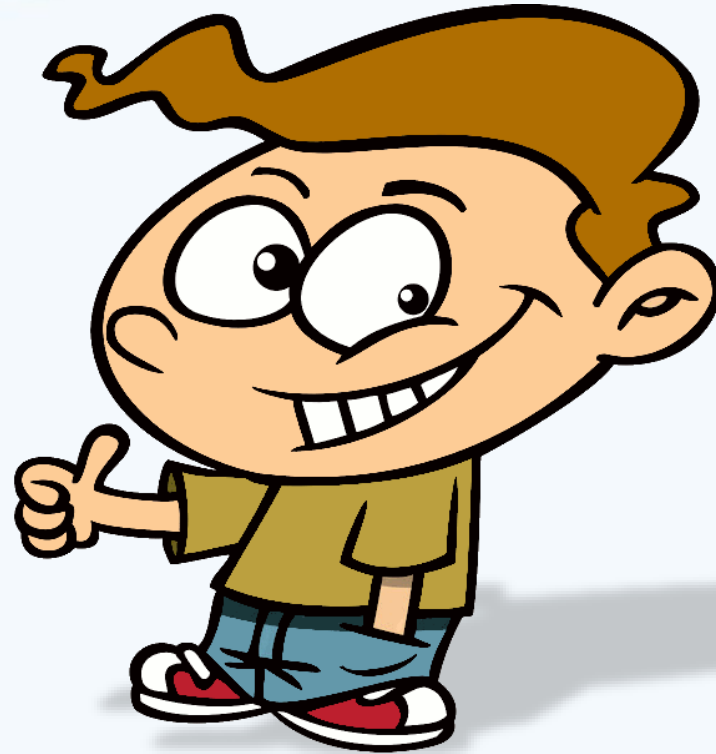
ADJECTIVES



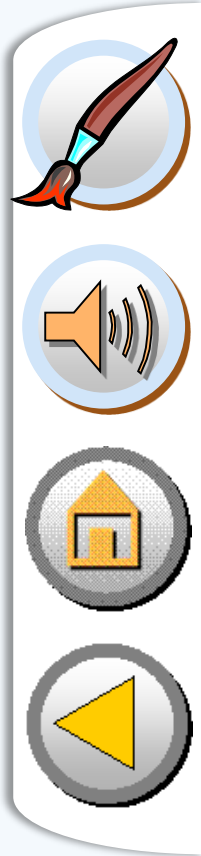
angry



ADJECTIVES



fine



3 Types of English Adjectives

1. Descriptive

- A descriptive adjective is probably what you think of when you hear the word “adjective.” Descriptive adjectives are used to describe nouns and pronouns.
- Words like *beautiful, cute, silly, tall, annoying, loud and nice* are all descriptive adjectives. Examples:

- “The flowers have a smell” is just stating a fact, and it has no adjectives to describe what the flowers or their smell are like.
- “The *beautiful* flowers have a *nice* smell” gives us a lot more information, with two descriptive adjectives.
- You can say “The cat is *hungry*,” or “The *hungry* cat.” In both cases, the word *hungry* is an adjective describing the cat.

2. Quantitative

Quantitative adjectives describe the quantity of something.

- In other words, they answer the question “how much?” or “how many?” Numbers like *one* and *thirty* are this type of adjective. So are more general words like *many*, *half* and *a lot*.

Examples:

- “How many brothers do you have?” “I only have one brother.”
- “Do you have any book?” “Oh yes, I have enough books”
- “I can’t believe I ate that whole cake!”

3. Qualitative adjectives

Qualitative adjectives describe the qualities of a person or thing – whether they are large or small, happy or sad, etc. This type of adjective is gradable. For example:

- a fairly **tall** man
- a very **boring** film
- a really **long** holiday
- an extremely **expensive** car

Task

Find the **adjectives**:

Classroom erupted word tall best

strongest green running smiled table water

river wild excellent telephone pencil

laugh go am orange strong smart woman

apple book long mountain walked read

ate lunch umbrella rain earthquake car

Solutions

adjectives:

Classroom erupted word tall best

strongest green running smiled table water

river wild excellent telephone pencil

laugh go am orange strong smart woman

apple book long mountain walked read

ate lunch umbrella rain earthquake car

FURTHER ACTIVITIES

Tall

Taller

Tallest

Sweet

Nice

Strong

High

Long

Fast

New

Angry