ENGLISH, LITERACY, AND COMMUNICATION

Adjectives

Difficulty level: Easy

English, Literacy, and Communication

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Overview of the concept

This is how you describe things so clearly that someone else can picture them. A tall building, a cold morning, or the best pizza you ever ate all need describing words to come alive for a reader. Picking the right adjective is what turns a flat sentence into one your reader can actually see.



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Worked examples

EXAMPLE 1

Q Find the adjective in: The red car stopped.

SOLUTION

Find the noun being described: 'car'.

Ask: which car, or what kind of car? The red one.

So the adjective is 'red'.

EXAMPLE 2

Q Find the adjective in: Three birds sang.

SOLUTION

Find the noun being described: 'birds'.

Ask: how many birds? Three.

So the adjective is 'Three'.

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Practice questions

1 At the park, a bright sun warmed the benches. Which word describes the sun?

- A park
- B sun
- C bright
- D benches

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2 Maya wore a red jacket to school. What word tells you what colour the jacket was?

- A jacket
- B red
- C school
- D Maya

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3 Seven ducks crossed the path in a line. Which word tells you how many ducks there were?

- **A** ducks
- **B** path
- **C** Seven
- **D** line

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4 In 'The gentle nurse smiled', which word does 'gentle' describe?

- **A** nurse
- **B** smiled
- **C** patient
- **D** gentle

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Pick the word that best completes the sentence: 'The ___ sun made us squint.'

A bright

B quickly

C sun

D hotly

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Which word is a comparative adjective?

A tall

B taller

C tallest

D tallness

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7 Which word is a superlative adjective?

A big

B bigger

C biggest

D bigness

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8 Which sentence has NO adjective?

A The red car stopped.

B The dog barked.

C Three birds sang.

D The tall tree fell.

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Which adjective describes size?

A red

B seven

C enormous

D quickly

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True or false: in 'She sang beautifully', 'beautifully' is an adjective.

A True

B False

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ANSWER KEY

1. bright

2. red

3. Seven

4. nurse

5. bright

6. taller

7. biggest

8. The dog barked.

9. enormous

10. False

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