Adjective (**adjective**) is a part of speech that defines a <u>noun</u>. It answers the question of *what?* Adjectives are common / descriptive and proprietary. Multicore adjectives are compound. Adjectives refine the description.

Mexican food

faraway land

Take a larger slice of the luscious cake - Take a large piece of this fragrant cake

## Qualitative adjectives

In sense, adjectives are qualitative or relative. Qualitative adjectives are described directly - the designation of the form, size, color and other general characteristics.

pretty, low, complete, round, good

Some qualitative adjectives are amplifiers. They emotionally enhance the meaning of objects and are determined only by adverbs *absolutely / really*:

certain, sure, pure, sheer, real, undoubted, complete, extreme, great, perfect, mere, close, utter, whole, wonderful, terrible, astonished, delicious, amazing, hilarious

## **Relative adjectives**

Relative adjectives describe objects indirectly - through interrelationships.

woolen, wooden, silver

They are non-arrangable, namely they are not defined by adverbs *very*, *too*, *enough*. The amplifiers are also not arranged.

weekly, unconscious, dead, legal, medical, empty, full

## Attributive adjectives

Syntactically, adjectives are divided into attributive and predicative. The first as definitions face nouns.

intelligent young woman

Some adjectives are historically attributive:

chief, main, only, particular, principal, sole

#### **Predicative adjectives**

The predicative adjectives in the predicate are separated from the nouns and stand after the <u>verbs</u>, especially

the <u>tangles</u> ( be , get , seem , appear , keep , look , feel , make , smell , sound , tast e , become , grow , remain , stay , turn ).

Cooked this way tastes more <u>delicious</u> - Cooked so the chicken tastes better

Some adjectives are historically predicative:

ill, poorly, fine, asleep, awake, afraid, alive, alone, content, glad, pleased, sorry, upset, near, far (away)

Adjectives *old*, *heavy*, *late* can have different values depending on the syntactic function.

Kelly's quite old now - Kelly has already aged

She's a really <u>old friend</u> - She's a long-time friend

## Degrees of comparison of adjectives in English

Qualitative adjectives are possible in 3 comparative degrees - as positive adjectives, comparative adjectives and excellent adjectives.

## **Adjective Education**

Many adjectives have affixes.

Frequent adjective suffixes:

- -able / ible (capable of): comfortable
- -ful (with): beautiful
- -less (without): careless
- - ive (possessing): attractive

# Negative consoles:

- dis-: dishonest
- un-: uninteresting
- il-: illegal
- im-: impolite
- in-: inconvenient

• ir-: irrelevant