

Patient (in the sense of suffering from a disease) is used only as a noun, not an adjective, so you should say When somebody is sick or When somebody is a patient

Sick is to my mind better; patient tends to refer to the relationship between sick people and their caregivers.

Here's how this question might be used: Doctor: I'm sorry, but the patient is dead

Patient's relative:
What do you
mean, dead?!
Doctor: I'm very
sorry for your
loss.

patient

It usually takes
me lots of energy
to consult a
friend in trouble,
not to say several
patients.

I feel it's odd
because I'm the one
helping my friend,
and my friend is the
one who works with
the patients, so

Do you have any hints to figure out the grammatical status of a phrase more rapidly and consistently?

To what do we attach "patiently"? To the world, or to the things? To the things

Feels





