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Chapter Sixteen

Adjective

An adjective is a word that modifies (describes) a noun, or pronoun. Adjectives inform about the qualities and features of people, things or concepts (big, strong, beautiful, sensitive) and can be considered as an added intensifier or even "decoration" to the required basic sentence elements, adding variety and liveliness. Adjectives can also be expanded into adjective clauses, which function similarly. In the following examples, the adjectives are underlined and the nouns or pronouns they modify are in bold.

- **He** was happy when he moved to his new **house**.
[the adjective **happy** modifies the pronoun **he**, and the adjective **new** modifies the noun **house**]

A test for adjectives: Adjective can be identified by asking-
What kind of (noun) is it?

He is a successful businessman (Here *successful* is an adjective)

- Ramesh is a **clever** student / That boy is a **weak** student.
- Hardik does not like her **younger** sister.
- Will, you buy a **nice** sari for me?

Common Adjective-Prepositions Combination

With help of the dictionary try to understand the meaning of following adjective-prepositions combination and how to use it in communication

e.g.- afraid of - means frightened or scared.

Ramesh is very afraid of that street dog.

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absent from	critical of	equipped with
accustomed to	confidence in	essential to
acquainted with	composed of	evident to
addicted to	concerned about	excited about
afraid of	confused about	exhausted from
ahead of	connected to	exposed to
angry about	content to	eager for
angry at, with	conscious of	faithful to
annoyed with	dedicated to	familiar with
anxious about	dependent on,	famous for
apparent to	devoted to	filled with
appropriate for	different from	finished with
ashamed of	difficult for	fit for
aware of	discouraged about	fond of
bad for	disappointed with	friendly with
based on	disgusted by, with	frightened of
blessed with	done with	familiar to
bored with	discriminated against	generous with
capable of	eligible for	glad about
certain about	engaged in	good at
clear to	engaged to	good for
committed to	enthusiastic about	guilty of
convinced of	envious of	grateful for

Common Adjective-Prepositions Combination

coordinated with	equal to	hungry for
happy about	polite to	surprised at
impressed by	the matter with	suspicious of
incapable of	present at	sorry for
inferior to	provided with	thoughtful of
interested in	proud of	tired from
involved in	qualified for	tired of
innocent of	ready for	tolerant of
identical to, with	prepared for	terrified of
jealous of	resistant to	thankful for
kind to	remembered for	typical of
known for	respectful of	terrible at
lazy about	relevant to	understanding about/of
limited to	responsible for	understanding of
mad about	related to	unfamiliar with
made from, of	similar to	unfit for
nervous about	sorry about	upset about/over
nice to	successful in	unfriendly to
opposed to	successful at	useful for
patient with	suitable for	used to
perfect for	superior to	understanding about/of
pleased with	sure about/of	worried about