Adjectives

Hello and welcome back, in this lesson we will learn how to use **adjectives**.

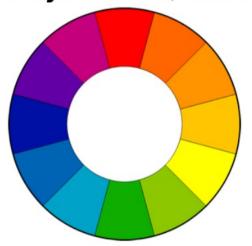
Adjectives are words that describe or modify **nouns**.



Simple adjectives:

When describing the **noun** the **adjectives** generally appear immediately before the **noun**.

Colours are used as adjectives, let's take a look at some:



Examples of descriptive words:

A **pretty** girl



Warm soup







A big cup of tea

Blue socks





Descriptive words can describe: size, age, beauty, temperature, origin etc. basically anyway of describing a person or object.

What about the opposites?

Some adjectives can have an opposite meaning. These are formed by adding the following prefixes: **un**, **in**, **or dis**.

Examples of un:

clear - unclear



common - uncommon

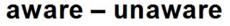




important – unimportant











believable – unbelievable





Examples of in:

correct - incorrect

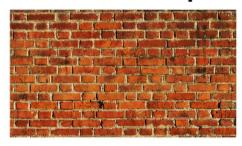


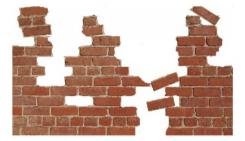
comparable - incomparable





complete - incomplete





expensive - inexpensive





Examples of dis:

able - disable





assemble - disassemble





content - discontent





similar - dissimilar





Using more adjectives at the same time:

If more than one adjective is used, they should appear in a set order:

size/shape + age + colour + origin + material.

A small white house



A big warm cup of tea



A beautiful black Italian leather bag



Spicy Indian food



Adjectives for groups:

When an adjective describes a class or group of people it acts as a noun.

The old



The young



The homeless



In sentences:

The rich have all the money

The old love to watch television.

The poor



The rich



Comparative and Superlative Adjectives

Adjectives can be used to compare two or more things.

Comparative adjectives compare two things.

Superlative adjectives compare more than two things.







Commonly, adjectives that contain only one syllable or end in 'y' use 'er' to form comparatives and 'est' to form superlatives.

For adjectives ending in y, change the 'y' to 'i' before adding the 'er' or 'est'.

Adjective – adjective+(er) – Adjective+(est)

Examples:

short - shorter - shortest



close - closer - closest







bright - brighter - brightest



young – younger – youngest







old - older - oldest







tall - taller - tallest



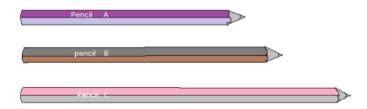
pretty - prettier - prettiest







long – longer – longest



Adjectives with two or more syllables do not change but instead add more to form comparatives and most to form superlatives.

Beautiful - more beautiful - most beautiful



Comfortable

- more comfortable

- most comfortable



- more difficult - most difficult

Difficult
$$\sqrt[2]{x^3} \equiv x^{\frac{3}{2}}$$
 - more difficult - most
$$R_{\max} = \sqrt[4]{\frac{P_{\mathcal{S}} \cdot G^2 \cdot \lambda^2 \cdot \sigma}{P_{E_{\min}} \cdot (4\pi)^3}}$$

$$R_s = \frac{2(t_{R,2} - t_{R,1})}{(w_{b,1} + w_{b,2})}$$

Some adjectives just have different forms of comparatives and superlatives.

good - better - best

bad - worse - worst

little - less - least

The word than is used in comparative sentences.

Jane is **prettier than** Mary.



Jenny is **shorter than** her sister.



John is **bigger than** Mike.



The word **the** is used in superlative sentences:

Richard is **the tallest** in the class.





Spiders are the scariest bug!



