

ADJECTIVES (6)

Definition and Types of Adjectives (01)

In context

2 min

What is an adjective?



beautiful flowers



a *refreshing* drink

Definition and Types of Adjectives

10 min

An adjective is a describing word. It gives information like size, color, opinion, shape, age, material, origin etc.

Examples: big, orange, good, round, old, plastic, English

Some verbs can be used as adjectives.

Examples:

a *working* man

a *wanted* gangster

Some adjectives are made up of two words.

Examples:

an *old-fashioned* dress

a *homemade* cake (made up of 'home' and 'made')

Language Tip on Adjectives

3 min

In English, adjectives are invariable: they do not take 's' in the plural, they do not change depending on the gender (male/female).

Examples:

a *nice* boy

2 *nice* boys

a *nice* girl

Writing Exercise

5 min

Complete the sentences with the following adjectives:

expensive, small, green, rectangular, friendly

1. I live in a _____ house.
2. This house has a basic shape, it is _____.
3. It is not very _____, because it is not in a rich area.
4. I am lucky because I have very _____ neighbors.
5. I must water the grass if I want it to be _____.

Writing Exercise

5 min

Choose the correct word:

1. We have a _____ magnet on the fridge. (triangle/triangular)
2. Randy has three _____ shirts. (red/reds)
3. I am watching a very _____ documentary. (interested/interesting)
4. This dress looks _____. (handmade/madehand)
5. A _____ miracle happened to me. (real/really)

Writing Exercise

5 min

Match the adjectives on the left to the category on the right.

1. square	a. size
2. tall	b. color
3. old	c. opinion
4. funny	d. shape
5. yellow	e. age

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Reading Exercise with the Teacher

5 min

Read the following sentences to your teacher. Then, say which words are adjectives.

1. Donna's friend is nice.
2. She has two young children.
3. Her husband is good-looking.
4. He rides an old blue bike.
5. They are Canadian and live in a big Mexican city.

Speaking Exercise with the Teacher

5 min

Describe these pictures using adjectives.



balloons



a fruit basket



a recycling symbol

Watch the Video!

5 min

With this video, you will practice basic adjectives and their opposites. It is a slide show of adjectives to describe people.

Watch the video:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZTUKkNI-eUY>

Watch it again and give the OPPOSITE of these adjectives:

1. short: _____

2. young: _____

3. happy: _____

Quiz

10 min

True or False?

1. An adjective is a describing word.
2. Verbs cannot be used as adjectives.
3. An adjective gives information like size, color, opinion, shape, age, material, origin etc.
4. An adjective cannot be made up of 2 words.

Match the questions on the left to the answers on the right.

1. What do you think of the film?	a. It is long but funny!
2. What does your sister look like?	b. It is made of wood.
3. What type of table is it?	c. I am Canadian.
4. What is your nationality?	d. She is tall and blond.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Choose the correct adjective:

1. Jack prepares a _____ report. (new / fast)
2. He sends it to Jennifer for a _____ review. (detailing / detailed)
3. The report is about an _____ project. (important / big)
4. Jennifer finds the report _____. (interesting / interessant)