

ADJECTIVES

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What are Adjectives

- ❑ Generally, adjectives explain or describe nouns by giving little information regarding an object's shape, size, age, color, material or origin.
- ❑ The simple explanation of an adjective is that adjective is a word which explains or describes or clarifies a noun.

Articles are adjectives :

A dog

The happy girl

An apple

Some apples

Few people

Numbers are adjectives:

Five books

Twenty papers

Adjectives are colors:

brown boxes

the blue sky

green apples

Adjectives are shapes:

round containers 

a square room



Adjectives are sizes:

tiny egg



huge gorilla

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Adjectives are conditions:

frightened man

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energetic dog

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silly behavior

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Adjectives can also be:



1. Phrases:

A cat **with orange fur** is always in the driveway.

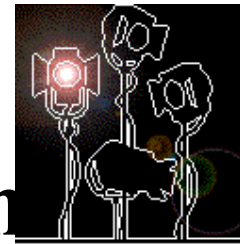
2. Clauses:

Everyone **who wants to go** needs to get on the bus.



3. Participles:

The **flashing** lights were can



Rule 1: Adjectives usually come BEFORE the noun they describe:

Examples:

the tall man

the black cat

Note: The articles (*a, an, the*) are adjectives.

Exception to Rule 1: When indefinite pronouns (such as *something*, *someone*, *anybody*) are modified by an adjective, the adjective comes after the indefinite pronoun:

Someone guilty of doing *something cruel* to humans or animals deserves to be punished.

Exception to Rule No. 1:

When **adjectives** follow a **linking verb**, they are called **PREDICATE ADJECTIVES**. In this case they modify the noun subject, but they are in the predicate of the sentence.

Examples:

Juana is beautiful.

Ahmed looks handsome.

That boy appears too young to drive.

Another exception to Rule No. 1:

Adjective clauses and phrases follow the **noun they modify.**

Examples:

A **woman *who works in my office* is not here today.**

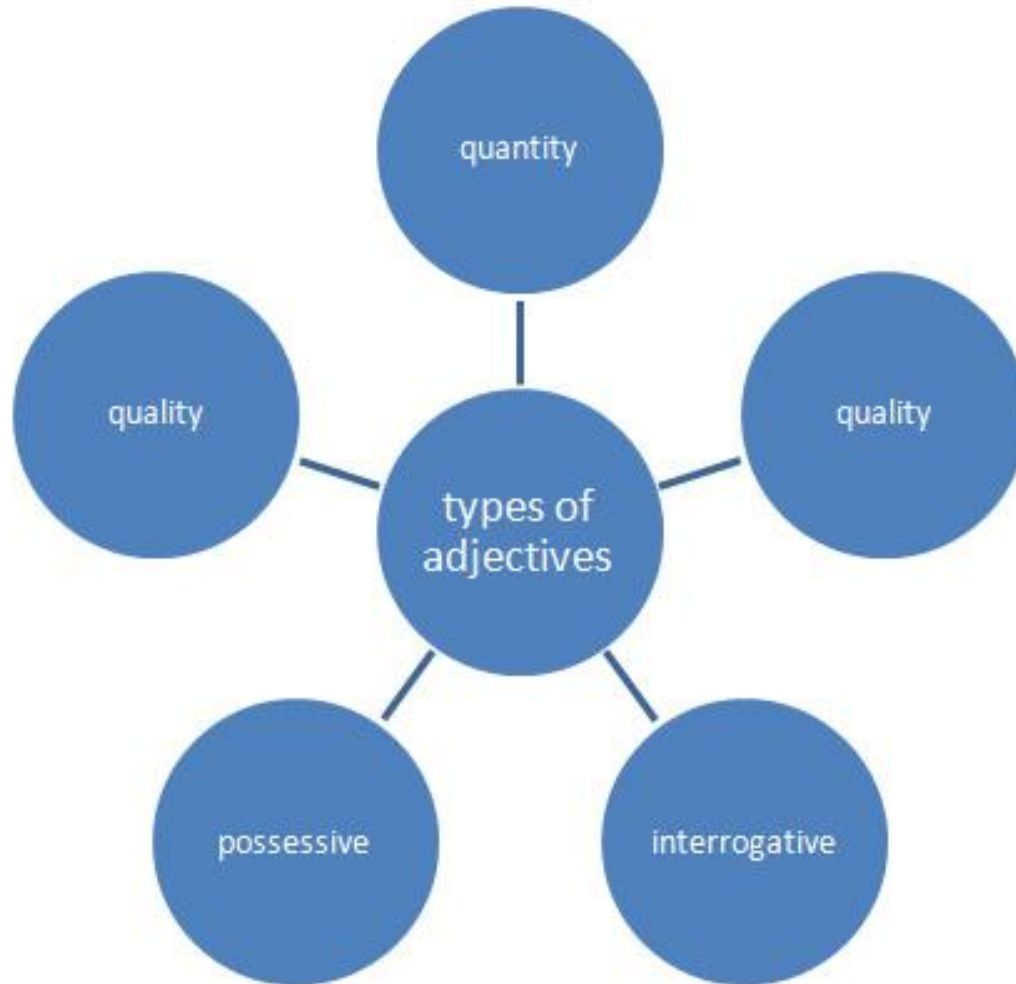
You can wear the **suit *in the closet*.**

**Any word, phrase, or clause that modifies
a noun or a pronoun
is an adjective.**

Adjectives have three forms depending on the number of nouns being described or compared.

Positive (Describing one)	Comparative (Comparing two) -er + than	Superlative (Comparing three or more) the + - est
tall	taller than	the tallest
rich	richer than	the richest
big	bigger than	the biggest

Types of Adjectives



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