

A CLOSER LOOK AT ADJECTIVES

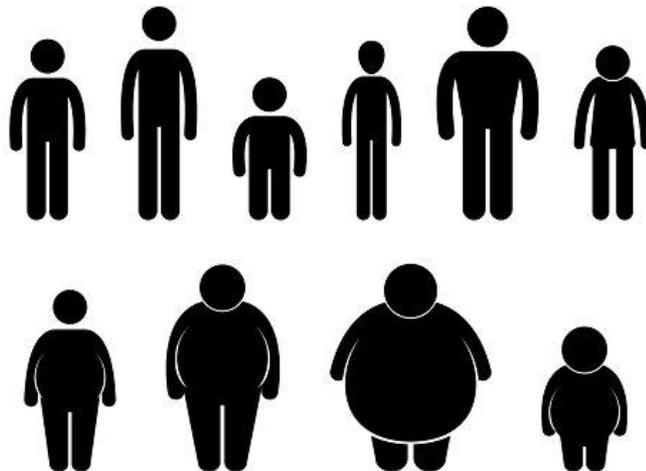
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WHAT IS AN ADJECTIVE?

- Adjectives are words that describe nouns
- Adjectives answer questions such as: What kind? Which one? How many?

Adjectives can be used to Describe:

- Colour: ex. blue, red, green, brown, purple
- Size: ex. big, small, tall, short
- Temperature: ex. Cold, warm, hot, cool
- Opinion: ex. Good, pretty, right, wrong, funny



TYPES OF ADJECTIVES:

1. Qualitative/Descriptive Adjective
2. Quantitative Adjective
3. Demonstrative Adjective
4. Interrogative Adjective
5. Possessive Adjective
6. Distributive Adjective
7. Compound Adjective



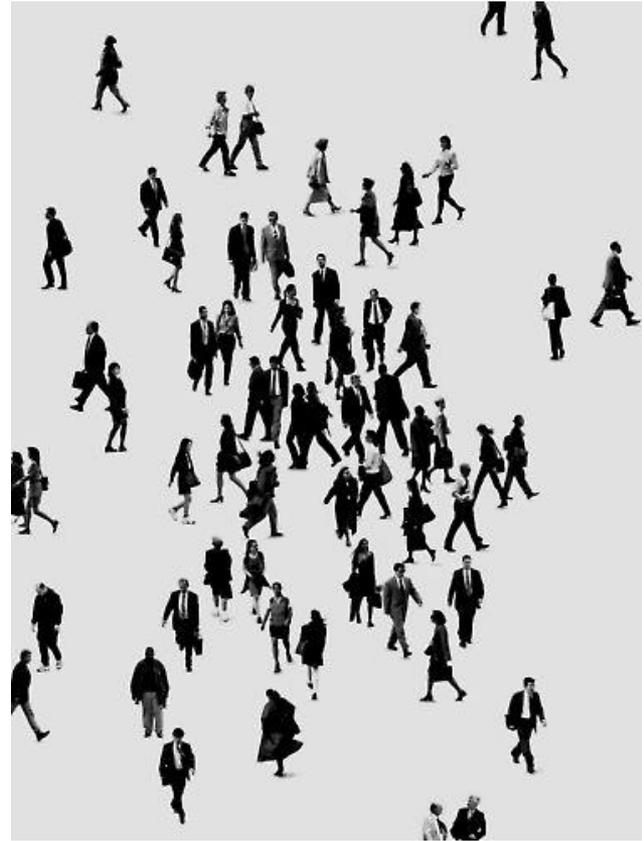
QUALITATIVE / DESCRIPTIVE ADJECTIVES:



- To describe the quality of a person or thing
- For example: tall, excellent, slim, young, square, plastic
- The tall girl is my classmate
- The students achieved excellent test results

QUANTITATIVE ADJECTIVES:

- To indicate the number or amount of things
- For example: some, much, little, all, enough, several
- She found many pens under the table.
- There was no milk in the jug.
- There are twenty three students in this class



DEMONSTRATIVE ADJECTIVES:

- To point out nouns
- For example: this, these, that, those
- This is my friend, David.
- Those books belong to her

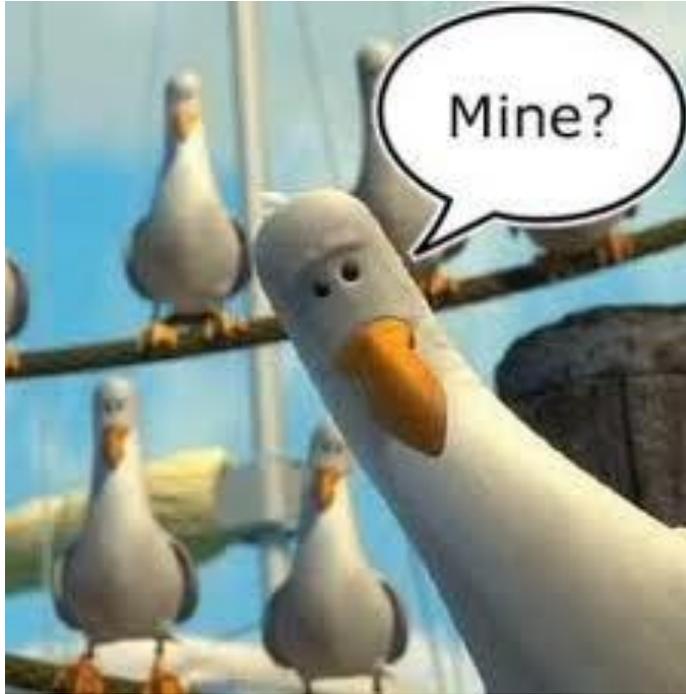


INTERROGATIVE ADJECTIVES:



- Used with a noun to ask questions
- For example: who, what, where, when, why, how, whose
- Whose pen is this?
- Which way shall we go?

POSSESSIVE ADJECTIVES:



- Used to show possession
- For example: my, your, his, her, our, their, its
- This is her hat.
- Their parents came to my house yesterday

DISTRIBUTIVE ADJECTIVES:

- To show that the person or things are counted collectively. Refers to members of a group as individuals.
- For example: each, every, either, neither
- Each participant was asked to complete a survey.
- Either of these movies would be interesting to me

COMPOUND ADJECTIVES:

- Made up of two or more words, often linked together with hyphens to show it is one adjective.
- For example: light-weight, duty-free, four-foot, part-time
- We have to be open-minded about things.
- The lady is wearing a pair of high-heeled shoes.