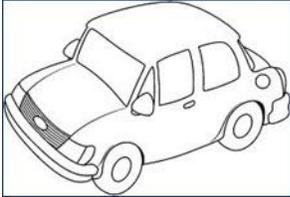


# Adjectives

Another one of the 8 parts of speech, adjectives give our language more spice, more flavour more excitement. Without adjectives most languages are dull, boring and lack excitement.

Look at this example sentence. Peter has a car.



(We don't know anything about the car)

Now look at this sentence. Peter has a brand new, red, BMW, sports car.



(We know many things about the car)

Which sentence did you think was more interesting and also told you more about Peter's car?

Sentence 2 of course.

Without the use of adjectives, our sentences would all be like sentence 1.

A few various adjective types.

## Descriptive adjectives

These are the most common type of adjectives. These describe the nouns which are being talked about. These adjectives can describe: **action, state, or quality.**

**(In the examples, the adjective is in orange, and the noun is in blue).**

**Examples:** Toxic chemicals, a rainy day, a good boy, a tall building, an Asian country, a true story, an Indian elephant.

The Empire State Building is a tall building. (Adjective before the noun)

We also use adjectives with the verb "to be". When we use this structure, the adjective comes after the verb "to be"

The Empire State building is tall. (Adjective after the noun).

## **Comparative and Superlative adjectives.**

We use these adjectives to compare 2 things (comparative) ,and to describe the maximum or minimum of a group of 3 or more things (superlatives).

Comparative adjectives compare 2 things. We take the adjective (big) and change the form (bigger). The blue house is **bigger** than the red house. We also use “than” to follow the comparative adjective.

Examples:

My car is **faster than** your car. His girlfriend is **prettier than** my girlfriend.

Superlatives.

We also have superlative adjectives. These take ‘the’ as a prefix(before) and add – est/iest.

The funniest, the hottest, the longest, the happiest...

Today is **the hottest** day of the month.

The River Amazon is **the longest** river in the world.

That was **the funniest joke** I have ever heard.

**Possessive adjectives.** Adjective of ownership.

Adjectives( always followed by a noun) The possessive adjective is in **green**.

**My** book is on the table. (I am the owner of the book).

**His** car is brand new. (He is the owner of the car).

**Her** cellphone is made by LG.

**Its** fur is wet.(a cat has fur)

**Your** house has 3 bedrooms.

**Our** lunch was delicious.

**Their** school is far away.

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