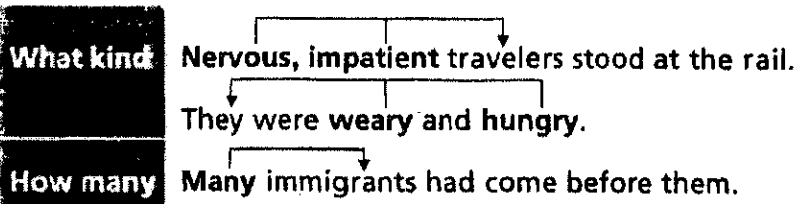


1 What Is an Adjective?



Write each adjective and the noun or the pronoun that it describes.
Do not include *a*, *an*, or *the*.

1. A single ship moved toward the bustling harbor.

2. It was noisy and crowded.

3. Many adults were happy and talkative.

4. They were eager to reach the final destination.

5. Two small girls peered toward the distant land.

6. They were curious about the future.

7. Would they like living in the large, strange country?

8. Suddenly they heard several joyous shouts.

9. An enormous, majestic statue appeared on the horizon.

10. The brilliant torch welcomed the travelers to a new home.

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2 Articles and Demonstratives

Articles

A storm is predicted. Do you have an umbrella or an old raincoat? **The** rain should begin soon.

Demonstrative adjectives

This forecast is more accurate than **that** one. **These** reports are better than **those** reports.

Rewrite each sentence, using the correct word in parentheses.

1. (A, An) long time ago, there were no daily weather reports.

2. In (these, those) days, people couldn't predict weather as we can today.

3. That age was not as scientific as (this, that) one.

4. At (that, this) time, people depended more on natural signs.

5. Roosting birds were (a, an) indication of rain.

6. A red sky at night meant that (an, the) next day would be fair.

7. Red lightning meant that (a, an) storm was approaching.

8. In (those, these) days, weather prediction was less exact than now.

9. However, forecasters still use (these, those) signs of long ago.

10. (A, An) accurate forecast is the product of many different methods.

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3 Comparing with Adjectives

Adjective	Comparing Two	Comparing Three or More
great	greater	greatest
nice	nicer	nicest
easy	easier	easiest
big	bigger	biggest
important	more important	most important

A Write the correct form of the adjective in parentheses to complete each sentence.

1. Mozart's story is one of the _____ in music. (strange)
2. He was one of the _____ composers in the world. (young)
3. He was _____ in music than in other subjects. (interested)
4. Few composers had _____ training than Mozart. (thorough)
5. His operas are _____ than many other operas. (funny)
6. Mozart's last days were the _____ days of all. (sad)

B 7–12. Use proofreading marks to correct six incorrect adjective forms in this television review.

Example: Mozart's popularity is the ^{greatest} ~~greater~~ it's ever been.

Proofreading

Mozart: The Man and His Music

Last night I watched one of the finer television shows ever. The show featured the life and music of Mozart, one of the great and brilliant composers of all time. Mozart made a bigger musical contribution than most composers, but his life was one of the sadder and shorter of all. Fortunately, much of his music is lighter and cheerful than his life.

Proofreading Marks

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4 Comparing with *good* and *bad*

Good

This is a **good** apple.

This apple is **better** than that one.

This is the **best** apple I've ever eaten.

Bad

This looks like a **bad** pear.

It looks **worse** than that pear.

It looks like the **worst** pear in the bunch.

A Complete each sentence by writing the correct form of *good* or *bad*.

1. This is the _____ meal I have ever eaten. (**good**)
2. Yes, Benita is a very _____ cook. (**good**)
3. She makes _____ stews than those the restaurant serves. (**good**)
4. The _____ meal I ever had here was a cheese sandwich. (**bad**)
5. The sandwich was _____ than the cafeteria's sandwiches. (**bad**)

B 6–10. Use proofreading marks to correct five incorrect uses of *good* and *bad* in this thank-you letter.

Example: This sandwich was the ^{better} ~~best~~ of the two.

Proofreading Marks

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/ Small letter

Proofreading

Dear Benita,

Yesterday was one of the *baddest* days of my

life. I don't know which was worst, losing my keys or losing

my wallet. When you asked me over for a *good* meal, my worst luck

changed! Your dinner was more *good* than ever. Your apple pie is

the most *good* I've ever eaten. You are the *best* friend I have!

Thank you,

Yolanda

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5 Proper Adjectives

Proper Nouns	Proper Adjectives
Mexico	Mexican food
Greece	Greek olives
Africa	African fabrics



A Rewrite each sentence, using a proper adjective that is made from the proper noun in parentheses.

1. ? cameras were on display at the world trade fair. (Japan)

2. There was an exhibit of ? sculpture. (North Africa)

3. The ? sweaters looked warm. (Scotland)

B 4–8. Use proofreading marks to correct five incorrect proper adjectives on this post card.

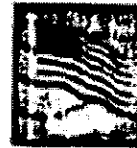
Example: We bought some west indian baskets.

Proofreading

Dear Juanita,

The world trade fair is like a shopping tour of international markets. I visited the booths of five european countries. I ate hungarian goulash and belgian chocolates. Then I bought a Polish leather jacket and a swiss watch. Finally, I admired the new german cars in candy colors.

Bernardo



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