

MODIFIERS-ADJECTIVES

What is an Adjective?

A word that **describes** a noun or a pronoun is called an adjective. **Modify** means to **change**. Since adjectives **change** the meanings of nouns and pronouns, adjectives are also called **modifiers**.

Examples:

- Adjectives formed from proper nouns are called **proper adjectives**. **Proper adjectives** are describing words that are **always** capitalized.

The **Puerto Rican** flag has the same colors as the American flag.

• When an adjective is used to describe a noun, it is called a **predicate adjective**.

• Compare the two forms of the adjective.

• Sort the adjectives into the correct category.



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form of the adjective is compared, it is called a **comparative adjective**.

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- In the following sentence, intelligent is a **predicate adjective**. The word *intelligent* describes the word *sister* and follows the predicate, *is*.

My sister is **intelligent**.

- **Demonstrative adjectives** like *this*, *that*, *these*, and *those* modify nouns.

Do you prefer **this** vegetable or **that** one?

Try This!

1) Choose a **proper adjective** to complete this sentence.

My Nana has an _____ rug in her living room.

- a) extra
- b) old
- c) orange
- d) Oriental

2) Choose the **comparative** form of this adjective: merry.

- a) merrier
- b) marry
- c) merriest
- d) marries



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