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Skill: nouns as adjectives;
recognising adjectives

NOUNS AS ADJECTIVES

Sometimes a noun (the name of a person, place, or thing) is used as an adjective.

Example: *Summer* is my favourite time. (*Summer* is used as a noun.)
January is a *summer* month. (*Summer* describes *month*, so it is used as an adjective.)

Circle the adjectives in the following sentences. Don't forget the nouns that are used as adjectives!

1. Purple is my favourite colour.
2. The purple necktie did not match the green suit.
3. The wedding will take place on the first Saturday of July.
4. The wedding dress has long sleeves and a high neck.
5. Let's take care of unfinished business.
6. The business day is from nine to five.
7. Henry Young is a handsome man.
8. The young child played in the yard.
9. Eat all your green vegetables.
10. Do you like vegetable soup?
11. Gold is a valuable metal.
12. Terry has a gold bracelet.
13. Linda received some beautiful daisies.
14. On Saturday, I made a daisy chain.
15. We have a large kitchen in our home.
16. Where do you keep your kitchen towels?

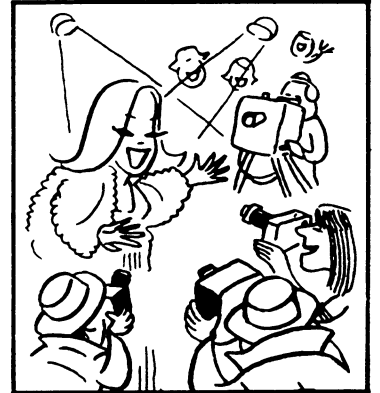


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IT'S TIME TO DESCRIBE

Adjectives describe nouns. They also describe pronouns. Adjectives answer the question *Which?*, *What kind?*, or *How many?*

Examples: *that* dog (tells *which* dog)
the *ugly* dog (tells *what kind*)
six dogs (tells *how many*)



In the sentences below, tell what each of the underlined adjectives does ("which," "what kind," or "how many").

1. A beautiful movie star smiled for the camera.

tells what kind

2. Many people live in Sydney, New South Wales.

3. Dr. Michael Sanders asked for twelve lollipops.

4. That spooky house is almost empty.

5. The happy puppy wagged its tail.

6. The television show was silly.

7. Patrick is eleven years old.

8. Frank cleaned his messy room.

ADJECTIVES AND ADVERBS

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