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Adjectives modify or describe nouns or pronouns.
A predicate adjective follows a linking verb in a sentence.

Ancient astronomers were **curious** about the stars in the sky.

Underline each adjective in the sentences. Write the letters *PA* above each predicate adjective.

1. Powerful telescopes tell scientists about faraway stars.
2. They quickly transmit important information.
3. Easy communication allows scientists to share useful data.
4. Helpful knowledge about the stars is also shared with everyday folks.
5. We can read fascinating books about well-known constellations.
6. Even with plentiful information, people are awestruck by a starry sky.
7. Imagine living long ago and seeing an unexplained sight that was amazing.
8. Ancient Greeks wrote stories to explain the mysterious constellations.
9. One time, scholarly observers in different lands saw the same golden glow.
10. They could read by the bright light that was gleaming overhead.
11. They wrote detailed records that were similar about the extraordinary star.
12. Astronomers today know it was a massive star that exploded into brilliant light.

Write two sentences about stars. Use a predicate adjective in each sentence.

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Some adjectives describe the quantity or quality of nouns or pronouns.

- *Quantity* tells how many.

The team has **nine** members. There are **fewer** students who want to join.

- *Quality* tells what kind.

The team has **new** members. There are **older** students in the group, too.

Underline all the adjectives in the sentences. Identify each adjective by writing *quantity* or *quality* below it.

1. Some kids have many buddies, but I have four good friends.
2. One friend is tall and funny.
3. I am short and serious, so we are two opposites.
4. My second friend is a trivia expert who knows a thousand facts.
5. The third friend is a math whiz who can figure several problems at once.
6. The fourth friend is kind and listens to every worry and goofy fear.
7. I don't need a dozen pals, but I need a few friends who are loyal and fun!

Describe a friend with at least one quantity adjective and one quality adjective.

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Adjectives are used to make comparisons.

- Comparative adjectives use *er* to compare two people, places, things, or ideas.

loud + **er** = louder

The siren is **louder** today than yesterday.

- Superlative adjectives use *est* to compare three or more people, places, things, or ideas.

old + **est** = oldest

This is the **oldest** tree in the yard.

Circle the correct form of the adjective to complete each sentence. On the line, write *C* for *comparative* or *S* for *superlative* to identify the type of adjective.

- The Rocky Mountains are _____ than the Appalachians. taller tallest
- The Mississippi is the _____ river and the most famous. mightier mightiest
- Chicago is the _____ city, according to its nickname. windier windiest
- I visited New York City, and it was _____ than where I live. noisier noisiest
- Florida, the "Sunshine State," must be _____ than Illinois. sunnier sunniest
- Alaska must be the _____ state, being so far north. colder coldest
- Many places could claim to be the _____ in America. prettier prettiest
- I would like to live in the place that is the _____. friendlier friendliest

Write two sentences about the place where you live. Include a comparative adjective in one sentence and a superlative adjective in the other.

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