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HELLO EVERYONE!

We are going to talk about adjectives.

We have some sort of adjectives that starts with the letter (a), like: (asleep, alike, aware, alone, awake). The special thing about these adjectives is that they come only as **predict**; they don't come before a noun, we cannot say: ~~afraid boy~~, we say this boy is afraid.

The baby is asleep. Or we can say: *The sleeping baby.*

Another type of adjective is an adjective derived from a noun, that ends with (-ed). Examples of this type: (**talented, skilled, glared**)

Collective adjectives:

They act as nouns and they refer to a group of people with the same characteristics. Like if we say: (**the rich, the poor, the homeless..**)

Collective adjectives always take a plural verb.

- **The rich are usually powerful.**

Compound adjective:

The last type of adjectives is **compound adjective**. This means that they are more than one word. We have more than one type here:

1. When we have two adjectives:

- **blue- green eyes** **top- right corner.**

2. When we have an adjective + a noun:

- **ice- cold soda** **last- minute suggestion** **sugar- free tea.**

3. When we have a quantifier:

- **an eleven- year- old boy,** **one- way street,**
- **part- time job,** **seven- storey building.**

If you notice here, we always use a single noun after the adjective.

4. The participles:

- **Good looking person** **old- fashioned school**
- **Mouth- watering cake** **open- minded woman.**

Sometimes we have prepositions in the adjective:

- **Up- to- date computer.**

Adverbs

We have forms of adverbs:

1. Words: *always, often, seldom...*
2. Phrases: *over there ...*
3. Adverbs formed from the adjectives ~~at~~ these forms end with (-ly):

- a. Adverbs of manner: *bad/ badly, quiet/ quietly, happy/ happily, simple/ simply.*
- b. Adverbs of degree: *highly, slightly, heavily.*
- c. Adverbs of frequency, time or duration: *presently, weekly, briefly.*
- d. Adverbs of purpose: *consequently.*
- e. Adverbs of sentence [when it modifies a whole sentence]: *actually.*
- f. Adverbs of place: *locally.*
- g. Adverbs that have the same form as adjectives: *fast, late, early, long, straight, far, next, hard, short.*

Some of these adverbs some with (ly) but with a different meaning:

Hard: (*work hard*). **Hardly:** (*she could hardly move.*) it means rarely.

Late: (*arrive late*). **Lately:** (*lately they met again.*), it means recently.

Short: (*go short of*). **Shortly:** (*shortly after that, he left.*)

The comparison of adjectives:

1. Positive: big, sad, tall.

2. Comparative: we add (er) or more if we have (gradable adjectives)

We can add (much, by, for, little) before the comparative: *a little bigger, much more beautiful.*

3. Superlative: between three or more things. We add (est) or (most).

a. One syllable with short vowel before the last consonant:

Big	bigger	the biggest
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b. One syllable with two vowels or one vowel before two or more consonant:

Strong	stronger	the strongest
Weak	weaker	the weakest

c. Short adjective ends with (e):

Large	larger	the largest
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d. Two syllables ending with (y):

Dirty	dirtier	the dirtiest
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e. long adjectives:

Careful	more careful	the most careful
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f. adjectives with both forms: (clever, likely, narrow, quiet, simple)

clever	cleverer	the cleverest
clever	more clever	the most clever

g. irregular forms:

fun	more/less fun	the most/ the least fun
bad	worse	the worst
good/ well	better	the best

far	farther	the farthest
old (family)	elder	the eldest
little	less	the least
much/ many	more	the most

4. using (as as) for equality:

- *The table is as heavy as the desk* (positive)
- *The table isn't as/so heavy as the desk.* (negative)

The comparative of adverbs

1. Adverbs of frequency: *more often, most often.*
2. Adverbs the same as adjectives: *late/ later/ the latest, hard/ harder/ the hardest.*
3. Irregular adverbs:

Well	better	the best
Badly	worse	the worst
Far	farther	the farthest
Little	less	the least
Much	more	the most

4. Using (as as) for equality:

- *He gave me the instructions as clearly as usual.*

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