

# *The Adjective*

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# What is an adjective?



A word cloud of adjectives in various colors and orientations. The words include: tall, large, vile, small, terrible, starving, bad, lean, high, disgusting, horrible, hungry, shiny, awful, skinny, bright, plump, lovely, nice, fat, slim, big, and tiny.

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# Morphological characteristics



small



smaller

fast

faster





Adjectives in English do not take any endings to express agreement with the head-word.

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positive

comparative

superlative

	<b>Adjective</b>	<b>Comparative</b>	<b>Superlative</b>
One syllable adjectives	Old Safe Big Hot	Older Safer Bigger Hotter	The oldest The safest The biggest The hottest
Adjectives ending in y	Noisy Dirty	Noisier Dirtier	The noisiest The dirtiest
Adjectives with two or more syllables	Boring Beautiful	More boring More beautiful	The most boring The most beautiful
Irregular adjectives	Good Bad Far	Better Worse Farther	The best The worst The farThest



Simple: old, kind,  
big

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Derivative: -able:  
comfortable; -ic:  
atomic;



Compound:  
grass-green,  
deaf-mute,  
blue-eyed

# Syntactical characteristics



*an attribute*

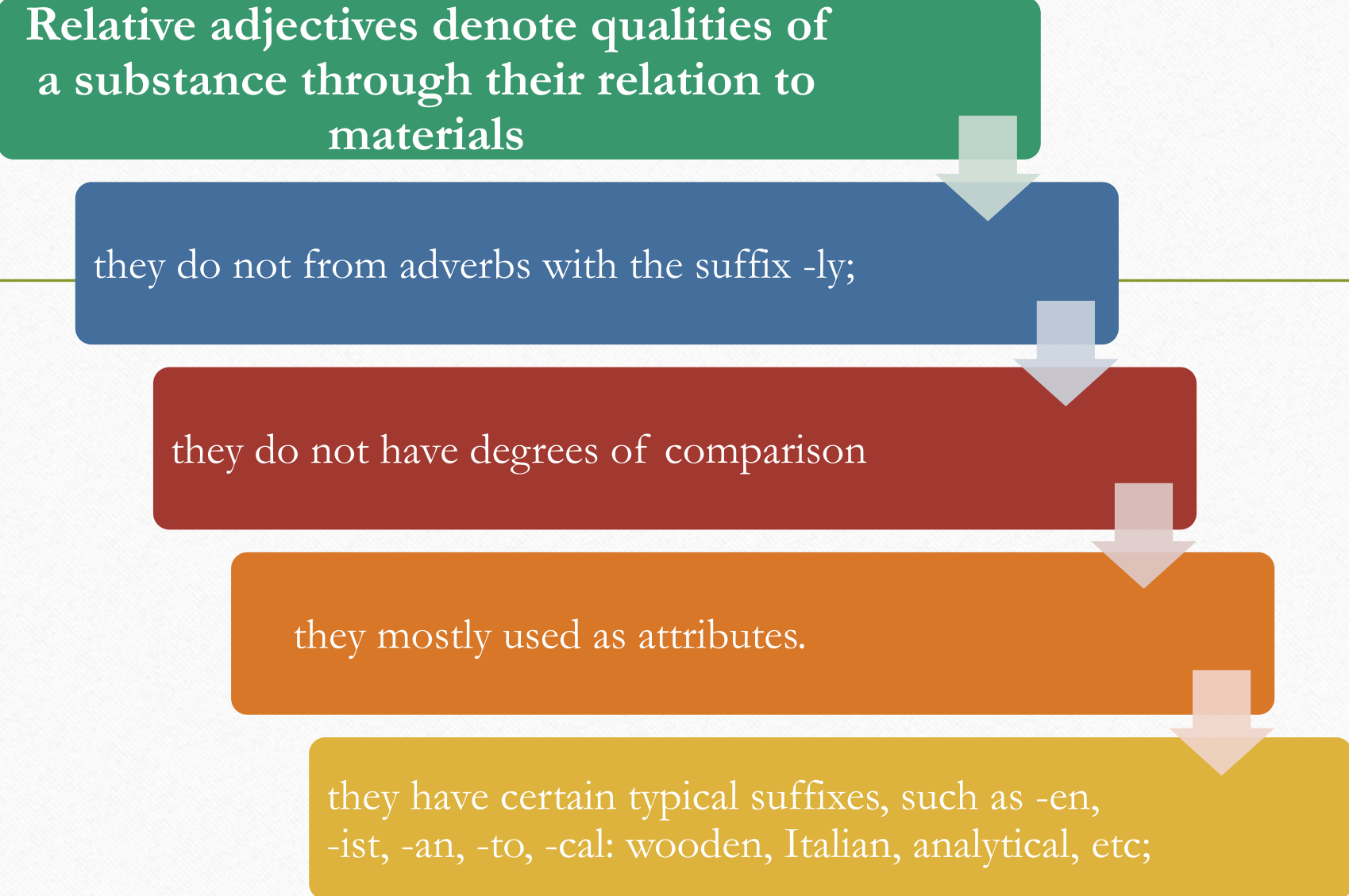


*a predicative*





**Relative adjectives denote qualities of a substance through their relation to materials**



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graph TD; A[Relative adjectives denote qualities of a substance through their relation to materials] --> B[they do not form adverbs with the suffix -ly;]; B --> C[they do not have degrees of comparison]; C --> D[they are mostly used as attributes.]; D --> E[they have certain typical suffixes, such as -en, -ist, -an, -to, -cal: wooden, Italian, analytical, etc;];
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- opinion
  - size
  - quality / character
    - age
    - shape
    - colour
    - origin
    - material
    - purpose





<i>Positive</i>	<i>Comparative</i>	<i>Superlative</i>
<i>dangerous</i>		
<i>new</i>		
<i>happy</i>		
<i>brave</i>		
<i>dirty</i>		
<i>heavy</i>		
<i>deep</i>		

1. He's a \_\_\_\_\_ doctor.

- young charming
- charming young

2. I plan on wearing my \_\_\_\_\_ coat.

- long black
- black long

3. This is a \_\_\_\_\_ painting from the 18th century.

- French well-known
- well-known French

4. She was wearing a \_\_\_\_\_ dress.

- green beautiful
- beautiful green

5. The \_\_\_\_\_ bird! I'm going to help it!

- poor little
- little poor



6. She prepared a \_\_\_\_\_ dinner for us.

- Mexican wonderful
- wonderful Mexican

7. Nagoya is an example of a \_\_\_\_\_ city.

- modern Japanese
- Japanese modern

8. He bought himself a \_\_\_\_\_ truck.

- big new
- new big

9. Pass me the \_\_\_\_\_ bowl.

- plastic round
- round plastic

10. The \_\_\_\_\_ years were fantastic.

- two first
- first two

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