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Qualitative Adjectives

- * Qualitative adjectives describe the qualities of a person or thing whether they are large or small, happy or sad, etc. This type of adjective is gradable. For example:
 - * a fairly tall man.
 - * a very **boring** film
 - * a really **long** holiday
 - * an extremely **expensive** car

Adjective of QualityAdjectives are one of the eight parts of speech in the English language. **Adjectives** are words that modify, or describe, nouns or pronouns. Adjectives tell us which one, what kind, or how many.

Examples of Adjective of Quality:

red, happy, late, great, foolish, loose, small

Adjectives can be divided into two broad categories: quantity and quality.

Adjectives of quantity refer to how many or how much of something. **Adjectives of quality** refer to the kind, degree, or quality of something. Sometimes, **adjectives of quality** are called *descriptive adjectives*.

Examples of Adjectives of Quality

Greasy, happy, thick, yearly, heavy, excited

Examples of Adjectives of Quality in Sentences

The greasy fries were just what I needed after a long, hot workout.

Do you see the **wooly** sheep in that pasture over there?

Eeyore is a depressed donkey in the classic story of Winnie the Pooh.

We have daily homework to complete for Mr. Jones.

The **lovely** roses are carefully tended by a **sweet old** lady who lives near me.

The **political** climate right now keeps many **qualified** individuals from running for office.

Aren't you a **clever** girl to think of a way to complete the problem that quickly!

Jordan was too weak to attempt the race.

I don't want the **blue** shirt; instead, I want the **red** one.

Could you help me with all of this **dirty** laundry?

Thinking about the Language

I. Here are thirty adjectives describing human qualities. Discuss them with your partner and put them in the two word webs (given below) according to whether you think they show positive or negative qualities. You can consult a dictionary if you are not sure of the meanings of some of the words. You may also add to the list the positive or negative 'pair' of a given words.

kind, sarcastic, courteous, arrogant, insipid, timid, placid, cruel, haughty, proud, zealous, intrepid, sensitive, compassionate, introverted, stolid, cheerful, contented, thoughtless, vain, friendly, unforgiving, fashionable, generous, talented, lonely, determined, creative, miserable, complacent.

WORD MEANINGS

- * Kind having or showing a friendly, generous, and considerate nature.
- * Sarcastic marked by or given to using irony in order to mock or convey contempt.
- * Courteous polite, respectful, or considerate in manner.
- * Arrogant having or revealing an exaggerated sense of one's own importance or abilities.

- Insipid lacking flavor; weak or tasteless.
- * Timid showing a lack of courage or confidence; easily frightened.
- Placid not easily upset or excited.
- * Cruel willfully causing pain or suffering to others, or feeling no concern about it.
- * Haughty arrogantly superior and disdainful.
- * Proud feeling deep pleasure or satisfaction as a result of one's own achievements, qualities, or possessions or those of someone with whom one is closely associated.

- * Zealous having or showing zeal.
- * Intrepid fearless; adventurous (often used for rhetorical or humorous effect).
- * Sensitive quick to detect or respond to slight changes, signals, or influences.
- * Compassionate feeling or showing sympathy and concern for others.
- * Introverted of, denoting, or typical of an introvert. of, denoting, or typical of an introvert.

- * Stolid calm, dependable, and showing little emotion or animation.
- * Cheerful noticeably happy and optimistic.
- * Contented feeling or expressing happiness or satisfaction.
- * Thoughtless (of a person or their behaviour) not showing consideration for the needs of other people.
- * Vain having or showing an excessively high opinion of one's appearance, abilities, or worth.

- Friendly kind and pleasant.
- * Unforgiving not willing to forgive or excuse people's faults or wrongdoings.
- * Fashionable characteristic of, influenced by, or representing a current popular style.
- * Generous showing a readiness to give more of something, especially money, than is strictly necessary or expected.

- Talented having a natural aptitude or skill for something.
- * Lonely sad because one has no friends or company.
- * Determined having made a firm decision and being resolved not to change it.
- * Creative relating to or involving the use of the imagination or original ideas to create something.
- * Miserable (of a person) wretchedly unhappy or uncomfortable.

* Complacent - showing smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one's achievements.