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# Compound Adjectives (3.4)

Objectives: students will learn to use compound adjectives.

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# What are compound adjectives?

Two or more words that act as a single idea to modify a noun.

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# Types of compound adjectives:

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## noun + a period of time

- We went on a journey which was three hours.
- We went on a **three-hour** journey.

(the time period is in singular form and is joined to the number with a hyphen)



## Practice:

- I'm going on a vacation for three weeks.
- There was a delay of 5 seconds.
- I work eight hours every day.



## Answers:

→ I'm going on a vacation for three weeks.

I have a three-week vacation.

→ here was a delay of 5 seconds.

There was a five-second delay.

→ I work eight hours every day.

I work an eight-hour day.

## — Adverb + past participle

- This is a well-known actress.
- This is a brightly lit room.

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## Noun + past participle

- I love eating sun-dried raisins.
- We should start using wind-powered generators.



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## Noun + present participle

- That was a record-breaking jump!
- This cake looks so mouth-watering.

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## Noun + adjective

- She is a **world-famous** singer.
- This is a **smoke-free** restaurant.

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## adjective + noun

- It was a **last-minute** decision.
- I watched a **full-length** version of the movie.

## adjective + past participle

- This is an **old-fashioned** dress.
- This is an **average-sized** room.

## adjective + present participle

- She is a **good-looking** girl.
- He lives in a **spanish-speaking** country.



## When not to use a hyphen?

- Adverbs that end in -ly (internationally known)
- With colours (dark green)
- After the noun (this room is well lit)

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**Homework:**

**Pages 50-51 (workbook)**

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