Adjective

A word naming an attribute or describing a noun.

red robin
delicious cake
astonishing boy

People	Objects	Good Feelings	Bad Feelings	Size	Time
adorable adventurous	bright clear	brave calm	angry annoyed	big colossal	ancient brief
aggressive annoying beautiful caring clumsy confident considerate excitable glamorous grumpy happy helpful important	distinct drab elegant filthy gleaming grotesque long magnificent precious sparkling spotless strange unsightly	cheerful comfortable courageous determined eager elated encouraged energetic enthusiastic excited exuberant fantastic fine	anxious ashamed awful bewildered bored confused defeated defiant depressed disgusted disturbed dizzy embarrassed	enormous gigantic great huge immense large little long mammoth massive meagre mighty mini	early fast late modern old quick rapid short slow swift young
intimidating obnoxious odd talented	unusual valuable	healthy joyful pleasant relieved	envious frightened hungry lonely	minuscule petite puny short	

I spy

Play "I spy" searching for only adjectives in your house or garden.

e.g. red , hot, huge etc.

Draw it

In this game you work in partners. One person describes a noun (person, place or thing) and the other has to draw what is being described from the description.

For example:

It had two big eyes and huge ears. The nose is small and in the middle of the face. It has a tiny upside down triangle for a nose. The mouth is in the shape of a wiggly w. It is pale pink with a long body. There are four dainty paws and one fluffy, black tail.

The more detail you give, the easier it is to draw the picture.

Adjective Breakthrough

Show the children a picture and ask the children to write as many adjectives as they can to describe the picture. The winner is the person who writes the most adjectives.

For example:

crimson fierce scaly

vicious strong colossal

enormous terrifying bloodthirsty

aggressive deadly ugly

ferocious muscly horrifying

Intimidating hideous repulsive

To support KS1 you might use a real object from within your house or garden.

Adjectives Riddle

You can play this in pairs or as a family. Give the children a list of adjectives as clues and they have to guess the noun. For example:

Clues alive silent slim cold scaly	Clues white or black soft distant cold damp
Snake	Clouds

The Adjective Generator

- ► This is a quick fire game that supports children with the rapidly generating language which is crucial when writing.
- ► Give the children a list of common, proper, abstract and collective nouns. It is a race to write an adjective for each noun. The winner of the game is the first person to think of a different adjective for each noun. For example: cat, snake, computer, taxi, London, sheep, Bill, fear, great, anger, hope, curiosity, flock, crowd and shoal

lovely cat
snide snake
ancient computer

Make this more challenging by trying to create an expanded noun phrase for each word.

lovely, fluffy cat snide, sinful snake ancient, cracked computer

Adjective Race

This game requires a minimum of two competitors but can be played with as many as you like! All you need is a pencil and paper. Provide a basic grid for the children to fill in. See the example below.

а	angry
b	beautiful
С	crazy
d	

As this is a race the winner is the first person to fill in their grid.

Change the mood game

Challenge the children to creative a positive and negative sentence. Give the children a sentence with the adjectives missing. For example:

The	girl sat on the	chair and stared the	painting
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The positive sentence might say:

The *pretty* girl sat on the *comfy* chair and stared the *delicate* painting.

The negative sentence might say:

The <u>cruel</u> girl sat on the <u>broken</u> chair and stared the <u>ruined</u> painting.

See the next slide for more examples.

Change the mood game

Examples of sentences you can use.

Mood	My example	
Comic	The girl sat on the stared at the painting.	chair and
Frightening	The girl sat on the stared at the painting.	chair and
Heroic	The girl sat on the stared at the painting.	chair and
Threatening	The girl sat on the stared at the painting.	chair and
Calm	The girl sat on the stared at the painting.	chair and
Excited	The girl sat on the stared at the painting.	
Gloomy	The girl sat on the stared at the painting.	chair and