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Using Interesting Adjectives



It is important to choose interesting adjectives to give your reader a clear picture of what you are writing about. If you do not do this, your writing will be somewhat dull and bland.

The *big* elephant charged towards the *scared* boy.

The *enormous* elephant charged towards the *terrified* boy.

Which sentence gives the best description of what is happening?

It was a *nice* day, so Susan sat under the *big* tree to do her homework.

It was a *bright, sunny* day, so Susan sat under the *large, shady* tree to do her homework.

Which of these sentences is the most interesting?

Many adjectives, such as *nice, good* and *big*, are used too often.

C. Complete the following chart by adding three synonyms which could be used instead of the adjectives that are given.

Adjective	Synonyms
1. big	
2. good	
3. small	
4. hot	
5. dirty	
6. rough	
7. ugly	
8. slow	

C. *Rewrite the following sentences using the correct capitalization.*

1. Next march doctor robinson is giving a speech in london.

2. My Cousin has won prizes for French and Mathematics.

3. The storm roared west until it reached north dakota.

4. Students in most european countries learn english in school.

5. "I will visit your mother next Wednesday," said grandmother.

6. The guest speaker at the convention was professor ross, a specialist on roman archeology.
