

The following lists are just a sampling of adjectives in the English language. They are categorized by the type of attribute they describe. Use your dictionary or thesaurus to add to each list or use the complete list below this one. Why do you need a **list of adjectives**? **Adjectives** can turn the ordinary in to the extraordinary. When used properly, they can add vivid interest to your conversation or written communication. However, there can be too much of a good thing. Please keep your adjectives effective by choosing them wisely.

Appearance Adjectives	Color Adjectives	Condition Adjectives	Feelings (Bad) Adjectives
Adorable beautiful	Red	alive	Angry
clean	orange	better	bewildered
drab	yellow	careful	clumsy
elegant	green	clever	defeated
fancy	blue	dead	embarrassed
glamorous	purple	easy	fierce
handsome	gray	famous	grumpy
long	black	gifted	helpless
magnificent	white	helpful	itchy
old-fashioned		important	jealous
plain		inexpensive	lazy
quaint		mushy	mysterious
sparkling		odd	nervous
ugliest		powerful	obnoxious
unsightly		rich	panicky
wide-eyed		shy	repulsive
		tender	scary
		uninterested	
		vast	
		wrong.	

**Feelings (Good)
Adjectives**

agreeable

brave

calm

delightful

eager

faithful

gentle

happy

jolly

kind

lively

nice

obedient

proud

relieved

silly

thankful

witty

Shape Adjectives

broad

chubby

crooked

curved

deep

flat

high

hollow

low

narrow

round

shallow

skinny

square

steep

straight

wide.

Size Adjectives

Big

colossal

fat

gigantic

great

huge

immense

large

little

mammoth

massive

miniature

petite

puny

scrawny

short

small

tall

teeny

teeny-tinytiny

Sound Adjectives

Cooing

deafening

faint

hissing

loud

melodic

noisy

purring

quiet

raspy

screeching

thundering

voiceless

whispering

Time Adjectives

ancient
brief
early
fast
late
long
modern
old
old-fashioned
quick
rapid
short
slow
swift
young

**Taste/Touch
Adjectives**

Bitter
delicious
fresh
greasy
juicy
hot
icy
loose
melted
nutritious
prickly
rainy
rotten
salty
sticky
strong
sweet
tart
tasteless
uneven
weak
yummy

**Touch
Adjectives**

Boiling
breezy
broken
bumpy
chilly
cold
cool
creepy
crooked
cuddly
curly
damaged
damp
dirty
dry
dusty
flaky
fluffy
freezing
hot
warm

Quantity Adjectives

Abundant
empty
few
full
heavy
light
many
numerous
sparse
substantial

Comprehensive List of Adjectives

<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>E</u>
aback	bad	cagey	daffy	eager
abaft	barbarous	calculating	daily	early
abandoned	bashful	callous	damaged	earsplitting
abashed	bawdy	calm	damaging	earthy
aberrant	beautiful	capable	damp	easy
abhorrent	befitting	capricious	dangerous	eatable
abiding	belligerent	careful	dapper	economic
abject	beneficial	careless	dark	educated
ablaze	bent	caring	dashing	efficacious
able	berserk	cautious	dazzling	efficient
abnormal	best	ceaseless	dead	eight
aboard	better	certain	deadpan	elastic
aboriginal	bewildered	changeable	deafening	elated
abortive	big	charming	dear	elderly
abounding	billowy	cheap	debonair	electric
abrasive	bite-sized	cheerful	decisive	elegant
abrupt	bitter	chemical	decorous	elfin
absent	bizarre	chief	deep	elite
absorbed	black	childlike	deeply	embarrassed
absorbing	black-and-white	chilly	defeated	eminent
abstracted	bloody	chivalrous	defective	empty
absurd	blue	chubby	defiant	enchanted
abundant	blue-eyed	chunky	delicate	enchanting
abusive	blushing	clammy	delicious	encouraging
acceptable	boiling	classy	delightful	endurable
accessible	boorish	clean	demonic	energetic
accidental	bored	clear	delirious	enormous
accurate	boring	clever	dependent	entertaining
acid	bouncy	cloistered	depressed	enthusiastic
acidic	boundless	cloudy	deranged	envious
acoustic	brainy	closed	descriptive	equable
acrid	brash	clumsy	deserted	equal
actually	brave	cluttered	detailed	erect
ad hoc	brawny	coherent	determined	erratic
adamant	breakable	cold	devilish	ethereal

adaptable	breezy	colorful	didactic	evanescent
addicted	brief	colossal	different	evasive
adhesive	bright	combative	difficult	even
adjoining	bright	comfortable	diligent	excellent
adorable	broad	common	direful	excited
adventurous	broken	complete	dirty	exciting
afraid	brown	complex	disagreeable	exclusive
aggressive	bumpy	concerned	disastrous	exotic
agonizing	burly	condemned	discreet	expensive
agreeable	bustling	confused	disgusted	extra-large
ahead	busy	conscious	disgusting	extra-small
ajar		cooing	disillusioned	exuberant
alcoholic		cool	dispensable	exultant
alert		cooperative	distinct	
alike		coordinated	disturbed	
alive		courageous	divergent	
alleged		cowardly	dizzy	
alluring		crabby	domineering	
aloof		craven	doubtful	
amazing		crazy	drab	
ambiguous		creepy	draconian	
ambitious		crooked	dramatic	
amuck		crowded	dreary	
amused		cruel	drunk	
amusing		cuddly	dry	
ancient		cultured	dull	
angry		cumbersome	dusty	
animated		curious	dusty	
annoyed		curly	dynamic	
annoying		curved	dysfunctional	
anxious		curvy		
apathetic		cut		
aquatic		cute		
aromatic		cute		
arrogant		cynical		
ashamed				
aspiring				
assorted				
astonishing				
attractive				

auspicious
automatic
available
average
awake
aware
awesome
awful
axiomatic

F

fabulous
faded
faint
fair
faithful
fallacious
false
familiar
famous
fanatical
fancy
fantastic
far
far-flung
fascinated
fast
fat
faulty
fearful
fearless
feeble
feigned
female
fertile
festive
few
fierce
filthy

G

gabby
gainful
gamy
gaping
garrulous
gaudy
general
gentle
giant
giddy
gifted
gigantic
glamorous
gleaming
glib
glistening
glorious
glossy
godly
good
goofy
gorgeous
graceful
grandiose
grateful
gratis
gray
greasy

H

habitual
half
hallowed
halting
handsome
handsomely
handy
hanging
hapless
happy
hard
hard-to-find
harmonious
harsh
hateful
heady
healthy
heartbreaking
heavenly
heavy
hellish
helpful
helpless
hesitant
hideous
high
highfalutin
high-pitched

I

icky
icy
idiotic
ignorant
ill
illegal
ill-fated
ill-informed
illustrious
imaginary
immense
imminent
impartial
imperfect
impolite
important
imported
impossible
incandescent
incompetent
inconclusive
industrious
incredible
inexpensive
infamous
innate
innocent
inquisitive

J

jaded
jagged
jazzy
jealous
jittery
jobless
jolly
joyous
judicious
juicy
jumbled
jumpy
juvenile

fine	great	hilarious	insidious
finicky	greedy	hissing	instinctive
first	green	historical	intelligent
five	grey	holistic	interesting
fixed	grieving	hollow	internal
flagrant	groovy	homeless	invincible
flaky	grotesque	homely	irate
flashy	grouchy	honorable	irritating
flat	grubby	horrible	itchy
flawless	gruesome	hospitable	
flimsy	grumpy	hot	
flippant	guarded	huge	
flowery	guiltless	hulking	
fluffy	gullible	humdrum	
fluttering	gusty	humorous	
foamy	guttural	hungry	
foolish		hurried	
foregoing		hurt	
forgetful		hushed	
fortunate		husky	
four		hypnotic	
frail		hysterical	
fragile			
frantic			
free			
freezing			
frequent			
fresh			
fretful			
friendly			
frightened			
frightening			
full			
fumbling			
functional			
funny			
furry			
furtive			
future			
futuristic			

fuzzy

K

kaput
keen
kind
kindhearted
kindly
knotty
knowing
known

L

labored
lackadaisical
lacking
lame
lamentable
languid
large
last
late
laughable
lavish
lazy
lean
learned
left
legal
lethal
level
lewd
light
like
likeable
limping
literate
little
lively
lively
living
lonely
long
longing
long-term
loose
lopsided
loud
loutish

M

macabre
macho
maddening
madly
magenta
magical
magnificent
majestic
makeshift
male
malicious
mammoth
maniacal
many
marked
massive
married
marvelous
material
materialistic
mature
mean
measly
meaty
medical
meek
mellow
melodic
melted
merciful
mere
messy
mighty
military
milky
mindless

N

naive
nappy
narrow
nasty
natural
naughty
nauseating
near
neat
nebulous
necessary
needless
needy
neighborly
nervous
new
next
nice
nifty
nimble
nine
nippy
noiseless
noisy
nonchalant
nondescript
nonstop
normal
nostalgic
nosy
noxious
null
numberless
numerous
nutritious
nutty

O

oafish
obedient
obeisant
obese
obnoxious
obscene
obsequious
observant
obsolete
obtainable
oceanic
odd
offbeat
old
old-fashioned
omniscient
one
onerous
open
opposite
optimal
orange
ordinary
organic
ossified
outgoing
outrageous
outstanding
oval
overconfident
overjoyed
overrated
overt
overwrought

lovely	miniature
loving	minor
low	miscreant
lowly	misty
lucky	mixed
ludicrous	moaning
lumpy	modern
lush	moldy
luxuriant	momentous
lying	motionless
lyrical	mountainous
	muddled
	mundane
	murky
	mushy
	mute
	mysterious

P

Q

R

S

T

painful	quack	rabid	sable	taboo
painstaking	quaint	racial	sad	tacit
pale	quarrelsome	ragged	safe	tacky
paltry	questionable	rainy	salty	talented
panicky	quick	rambunctious	same	tall
panoramic	quickest	rampant	sassy	tame
parallel	quiet	rapid	satisfying	tan
parched	quirky	rare	savory	tangible
parsimonious	quixotic	raspy	scandalous	tangy
past	quizzical	ratty	scarce	tart
pastoral		ready	scared	tasteful
pathetic		real	scary	tasteless
peaceful		rebel	scattered	tasty
penitent		receptive	scientific	tawdry
perfect		recondite	scintillating	tearful
periodic		red	scrawny	tedious
permissible		redundant	screeching	teeny
perpetual		reflective	second	teeny-tiny
petite		regular	second-hand	telling

petite	relieved	secret	temporary
phobic	remarkable	secretive	ten
physical	reminiscent	sedate	tender
picayune	repulsive	seemly	tense
pink	resolute	selective	tense
piquant	resonant	selfish	tenuous
placid	responsible	separate	terrible
plain	rhetorical	serious	terrific
plant	rich	shaggy	tested
plastic	right	shaky	testy
plausible	righteous	shallow	thankful
pleasant	rightful	sharp	therapeutic
plucky	rigid	shiny	thick
pointless	ripe	shivering	thin
poised	ritzy	shocking	thinkable
polite	roasted	short	third
political	robust	shrill	thirsty
poor	romantic	shut	thirsty
possessive	roomy	shy	thoughtful
possible	rotten	sick	thoughtless
powerful	rough	silent	threatening
precious	round	silent	three
premium	royal	silky	thundering
present	ruddy	silly	tidy
pretty	rude	simple	tight
previous	rural	simplistic	tightfisted
pricey	rustic	sincere	tiny
prickly	ruthless	six	tired
private		skillful	tiresome
probable		skinny	toothsome
productive		sleepy	torpid
profuse		slim	tough
protective		slimy	towering
proud		slippery	tranquil
psychedelic		sloppy	trashy
psychotic		slow	tremendous
public		small	tricky
puffy		smart	trite
pumped		smelly	troubled
puny		smiling	truculent

purple
purring
pushy
puzzled
puzzling

smoggy
smooth
sneaky
snobbish
snotty
soft
soggy
solid
somber
sophisticated
sordid
sore
sore
sour
sparkling
special
spectacular
spicy
spiffy
spiky
spiritual
spiteful
splendid
spooky
spotless
spotted
spotty
spurious
squalid
square
squealing
squeamish
staking
stale
standing
statuesque
steadfast
steady
steep
stereotyped

sticky
stiff
stimulating
stingy
stormy
straight
strange
striped
strong
stupendous
stupid
sturdy
subdued
subsequent
substantial
successful
succinct
sudden
sulky
super
superb
superficial
supreme
swanky
sweet
sweltering
swift
symptomatic
synonymous

U

ubiquitous
ugliest
ugly
ultra
unable

V

vacuous
vagabond
vague
valuable
various

W

wacky
waggish
waiting
wakeful
wandering

Y

yellow
yielding
young
youthful
yummy

Z

zany
zealous
zesty
zippy
zonked

unaccountable	vast	warlike
unadvised	vengeful	warm
unarmed	venomous	wary
unbecoming	verdant	wasteful
unbiased	versed	watery
uncovered	victorious	weak
understood	vigorous	wealthy
undesirable	violent	weary
unequal	violet	well-groomed
unequaled	vivacious	well-made
uneven	voiceless	well-off
unhealthy	volatile	well-to-do
uninterested	voracious	wet
unique	vulgar	whimsical
unkempt		whispering
unknown		white
unnatural		whole
unruly		wicked
unsightly		wide
unsuitable		wide-eyed
untidy		wiggly
unused		wild
unusual		willing
unwieldy		windy
unwritten		wiry
upbeat		wise
uppity		wistful
upset		witty
uptight		woebegone
used		womanly
useful		wonderful
useless		woozy
utopian		workable
utter		worried
uttermost		worthless
		wrathful
		wretched
		wrong
		wry