WELLAND GOULDSMITH SCHOOL

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

CLASS 6

TOPIC: ADJECTIVES

SYNOPSIS

An **ADJECTIVE** is a word used to add something to the meaning of a Noun or a Pronoun. It is a describing word. Most of them occur before a Noun of after a Verb (Doing Word).

Eg: Tasty, beautiful, some, enough, first, sixth, their, his, each, either, what, which etc.

Adjectives used before a Noun are called Attributive Adjectives.

Adjectives used after a verb are called Predicative Adjectives.

Eg: 1. He is an **OLD** man.

Old comes before a noun 'man' and is therefore an attributive adjective.

2. He is **INTELLIGENT**.

The verb here is, 'is' and it is followed by the adjective 'intelligent' and therefore intelligent is a predicative adjective.

There are **seven** types of Adjectives:

- 1. Adjectives of Quality
- 2. Adjectives of Quantity
- 3. Adjectives of Number
- 4. Demonstrative Adjectives
- 5. Possessive Adjectives
- 6. Distributive Adjectives
- 7. Interrogative Adjectives

1. Adjectives of Quality

An adjective which describes the nature or quality of a Noun.

- He is a **brave** person.
- She has a **beautiful** voice.

Other examples: Clever, nice, black, heavy etc.

2. Adjectives of Quantity

These adjectives show the amount of a Noun or a Pronoun.

- I ate **some** rice.
- He has **little** intelligence.

Other examples: Little, enough, all, few etc.

3. Adjectives of Numbers

These adjectives tell us how many people or things are being referred to or tells us their order in a series.

- A month has **four** weeks.
- My Birthday is on the **eleventh** day of September.

Other examples: One, fifth, thousand, first etc.

4. Demonstrative Adjectives

Adjectives that help to point at people or things.

- **This** chair is broken
- Those birds are flying South.

Other examples: These, that.