

Word Detectives

Find words that add details.

2L6 "Use words and phrases acquired through conversations, reading and being read to, and responding to texts, including using adjectives and adverbs to describe (e.g., When other kids are happy that makes me happy)"

NAME _____

DATE _____

THING DETAIL

An adjective tells more about a person, place, animal, or thing. It can tell which one, what kind, or how many.

The **sleepy** bear yawned.

ACTION DETAIL

An adverb can tell how an action happens. It adds a detail to the action word.

Nora painted **carefully**.

1 SORT _____ 8 items

Read each sentence and circle ADJECTIVE or ADVERB for the bold word.

1. 1. The **fuzzy** puppy slept.

ADJECTIVE

ADVERB

2. 2. We saw a **tall** tower.

ADJECTIVE

ADVERB

3. 3. Sam answered **politely**.

ADJECTIVE

ADVERB

4. 4. The **silver** coin shone.

ADJECTIVE

ADVERB

5. 5. The turtle moved **slowly**.

ADJECTIVE

ADVERB

6. 6. The crowd cheered **wildly**.

ADJECTIVE

ADVERB

7. 7. A **spicy** soup warmed us.

ADJECTIVE

ADVERB

8. 8. The **round** moon rose.

ADJECTIVE

ADVERB

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PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

ITEM # _____ HOW I KNEW _____

3

MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

PROVE IT: Pick two numbered items. For each one, tell whether the bold word describes a thing or an action, and tell how you know. MAKE YOUR OWN: Write one new sentence with an adjective and one new sentence with an adverb.

ADJECTIVE _____

ADVERB _____

CHALLENGE

Write one sentence with an adjective and an adverb. Underline the adjective and circle the adverb.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	1. The fuzzy puppy slept.	ADJECTIVE	Fuzzy tells what kind of puppy.
2	2. We saw a tall tower.	ADJECTIVE	Tall tells more about the tower.
3	3. Sam answered politely .	ADVERB	Politely tells how Sam answered.
4	4. The silver coin shone.	ADJECTIVE	Silver tells more about the coin.
5	5. The turtle moved slowly .	ADVERB	Slowly tells how the turtle moved.
6	6. The crowd cheered wildly .	ADVERB	Wildly tells how the crowd cheered.
7	7. A spicy soup warmed us.	ADJECTIVE	Spicy tells what kind of soup.
8	8. The round moon rose.	ADJECTIVE	Round tells more about the moon.

PART 2 • PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 • MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **ADJECTIVE:** A **yellow** leaf fell.
- **ADVERB:** The dog barked **eagerly**.

Challenge: The tiny mouse ran quickly.

Accept other correct explanations that name the word being described or the action being described. In the challenge sample, tiny describes mouse and quickly tells how the mouse ran.