Chapter One

Adjective Makers

–able : It combines with verbs to form adjectives.

1. **Acceptable**: agreeable, good enough
   Your excuses for not doing tour homework are not acceptable.
2. **Admirable**: deserves to be praised or admired
   He is famous for his admirable contribution to the society.
3. **Dependable**: trustworthy, responsible
   My father is very organized and dependable.
4. **Imaginable**: thinkable, supposable
   Doctors have tried every imaginable treatment for her disease.
5. **Tolerable**: bearable, acceptable
   The heat in this room is barely tolerable.

Practice time: make sentences with these words.

1. Manageable
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2. Profitable
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3. Desirable
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4. Predictable
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5. Preferable
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-ible: It combines with verbs to form adjectives.

1. **Accessible**: available, reachable

   Computers are now accessible to almost everyone.

2. **Defensible**: people can argue is good and right, can be defended against attack.

   I think our plan is fair and legally defensible.

3. **Divisible**: that can be divided

   The story is divisible into three parts.

4. **Permissible**: allowed

   What is, and what is not, permissible varies with time and place.

5. **Irresistible**: that cannot be resisted

   You have to overcome the irresistible urge to eat more.

Practice time: make sentences with these words.

1. Digestible

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2. Comprehensible

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3. Audible

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4. Corruptible

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5. Convertible

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-ent : It combines with verbs to form adjectives or nouns.

1. **Dependent**: needing other people

   Children are dependent on their parents.

2. **Different**: not similar

   My sister and I are different from each other.

3. **Existent**: the state of being, present, current

   Our government should solve the existent problems in our society.

4. **Insistent**: keep saying something firmly

   My mother is insistent that I continue my studies.

5. **Persistent**: insistent

   She is persistent in whatever she wants and never gives up.

Practice time: make sentences with these words.

1. Absorbent

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2. Ascendant

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3. Correspondent

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4. Fluent

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5. Extent

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-ful: It combines with nouns to form adjectives.

1. **Cheerful**: happy

   He was cheerful about the trip to Europe.

2. **Harmful**: not safe or healthy

   Some fast foods are harmful for body.

3. **Painful**: causing pain

   My back is so painful that I cannot stand upright.

4. **Peaceful**: calm, undisturbed

   We had a peaceful negotiation about the price.

5. **Successful**: with success

   Human had a successful attempt to land on the moon.

Practice time: make sentences with these words.

1. Forceful

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2. Merciful

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3. Deceitful

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4. Delightful

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5. Powerful

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-ic: It combines with nouns to form adjectives.

1. **Heroic**: brave, courageous

   Children like to copy heroic actions of actors.

2. **Diplomatic**: related to the work of diplomats, the arrangement between two countries

   The attacks led to international diplomatic activities.

3. **Pessimistic**: think that bad things are going to happen

   Don't take a pessimistic view of what might happen.

4. **Optimistic**: think that good things are going to happen

   We are still optimistic that the company can be saved.

5. **Artistic**: related to art and artists

   That's a lovely picture- I never realize you were so artistic.

Practice time: make sentences with these words.

1. Patriotic

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2. Symbolic

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3. Enthusiastic

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4. Linguistic

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5. Idealistic

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-ive: It occurs in adjectives and also nouns.

Adjectives:

1. **Attractive**: good looking
   Women seem to find him attractive.
2. **Creative**: able to make new things
   We need a creative solution for the problem.
3. **Competitive***:* trying hard to be more successful
   Some US industries are not as competitive as they have been in the past.
4. **Defensive**: used to protect someone or something
   Blaming someone else for your mistake is a kind of defensive mechanism.
5. **Imaginative**: containing new and interesting ideas
   Most people enjoy imaginative stories and novels.

Nouns:

1. **Additive**: a substance that is added to food
   Our products are free from artificial additives.
2. **Executive**: a manager in an organization
   I am the executive manager of the company.
3. **Narrative**: a description of events or stories
   He wrote an interesting narrative about his trip.
4. **Perspective**: viewpoint, a way of thinking
   His father's death gave him a whole new perspective on life.
5. **Representative**: delegate,
   We discussed the issue with the representative of the company.

Practice time: make sentences with these words.

1. Protective

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2. Offensive

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3. Excessive

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4. Massive

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5. Alternative

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6. Conservative

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7. Detective

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-less: It combines with nouns to form adjectives.

1. **Flawless**: having no mistakes

   His English is flawless.

2. **Harmless**: not hurtful

   Parents should know almost all vaccines are harmless.

3. **Motionless**: not moving

   The man stood motionless after hearing the voice.

4. **Speechless**: unable to speak

   His comments left me speechless with anger.

5. **Tactless**: likely to upset someone without intending to

   I thought it would be tactless to ask about her divorce.

Practice time: make sentences with these words.

1. Endless

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2. Hopeless

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3. Restless

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4. Meaningless

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5. Heartless

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