

# Using Adjectives

## 1. *Nouns used as Adjectives*

Sometimes nouns are used as adjectives to describe or modify another noun. Observe the following table.

Common nouns	Common nouns used as adjectives
cheese	cheese sandwich
snow	snow sculpture
winter	winter scale
Proper nouns	Proper nouns used as adjectives
Sioux	Sioux tradition
Texas	Texas toast
Picasso	Picasso painting

Identify whether each italicized word in the following paragraph is used as a noun or as an adjective. Make sure that you write the word in the table along with how it is being used.

EXAMPLE: Do you want to see my new *baseball* card?

1. *Baseball*- adjective

I love anything that has to do with [1] *baseball*. I save the money I make mowing the [2] *golf* course, and then I go to the [3] *card* [4] *store*. The [5] *store* owner sold me a terrific [6] *Don Mattingly* [7] *card* today. It came with its own [8] *plastic* case. I'll display my new card with my other favorites in a special [9] *glass* [10] *case* on the wall in my room.

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## 11. *Revising Sentences by Using Appropriate Adjectives*

Add adjectives to make two entirely different sentences from each of the following five sentences.

EXAMPLE: The waiter showed the woman to a table in a corner.

1. The kindly waiter showed the shy woman to a pleasant table in the sunny corner.
2. The haughty waiter showed the elegant woman to a private table in the shadowy corner.

Original Sentence	Sentences with Adjectives
The blossoms on the trees filled the air with a scent.	
As the clouds gathered in the sky, the captain spoke to the crew.	
At the end of the hall were stairs that led to a room.	
The singers and comedians gave performances for the audience.	