

DIAGRAMMING SENTENCES

Adjectives

Adjectives are modifiers; they describe nouns and pronouns. In a sentence diagram, the nouns, pronouns and verbs are placed in the top row, and the adjectives are placed on a diagonal line under the noun or pronoun they describe. Articles (the, a, an) are also a type of adjective.

Example: The red bird sings songs.

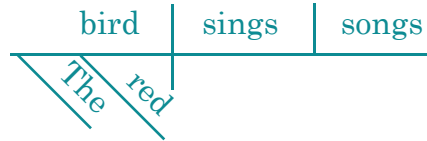


Diagram the following simple sentences.

The little boy ran home.

Emily likes salty nuts

The yellow dress has blue stripes.

Some nouns have more than one adjective as modifiers. These adjectives are called compound adjectives. To diagram sentences with compound adjectives, put the adjectives together under the noun they modify. Place any conjunctions for the compound adjectives on a dotted line between the adjectives.

Example: He rode the brown and white horse.

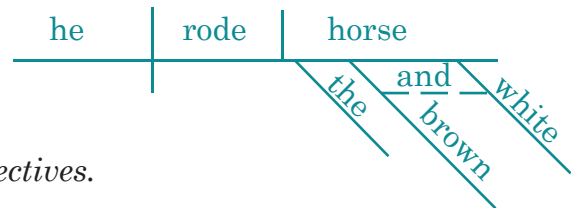


Diagram the following sentences with compound adjectives.

The tired and thirsty dog drank water.

We left the noisy and crowded carnival.