

# ADJECTIVES

I. **OVERVIEW** - Adjectives describe nouns & pronouns often answering the questions *what kind? which one? & how many?*

## II. RULES

A. Adjectives always appear BEFORE nouns

- two intelligent high school students

B. Adjectives can also follow linking verbs

- He is moody.                      The chili smells delicious.
- You seem angry.                      The teacher feels sick today.
- She looks puzzled.                      The cake tastes too sweet.

C. Adjectives are always SINGULAR (never add the plural -s to adjectives!!)

- pretty girls                                      six dollars
- hardworking students                      eight-foot wall

D. Nouns can function as adjectives

- the French book                      a toy store
- some fruit salad                      a college town

E. Adjectives referring to nationalities and languages are CAPITALIZED

- a Mexican dance                      my English class
- the American government                      Canadian folklore