Using Adjectives

Grade 1

Name _____ Date _____

Grown-ups: read each sentence out loud with your child. A describing word (an adjective) tells us more about a person, animal or thing: what colour, what size, how it feels or how it looks. On page 2 there is no single right answer, so praise any describing word that makes sense.

Remember: a describing word tells what kind. A red ball, a tall tree.

1. Circle the best describing word

Read the sentence. Circle the describing word that fits best.

1. The _____ duck swims. — yellow / cold
2. I drink _____ milk. — cold / furry
3. The _____ mouse hides. — tiny / tall
4. We play on the _____ swing. — fast / sweet
5. Mom reads a _____ book. — muddy / funny
6. The road is _____ after rain. — muddy / fluffy
7. A _____ dragon flies by. — purple / salty
8. My dog has a _____ tail. — happy / furry

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2. Make the sentence better

Add one describing word to each sentence. Write the new sentence.

1. I see a dog.

2. She has a ball.

3. We ate cake.

4. The cat sat on a mat.

5. He found a shell.

6. I like my coat.

Answer Key

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1. Circle the best describing word

1	The **yellow** duck swims.	yellow	cold
2	I drink **cold** milk.	cold	furry
3	The **tiny** mouse hides.	tiny	tall
4	We play on the **fast** swing.	fast	sweet
5	Mom reads a **funny** book.	muddy	funny
6	The road is **muddy** after rain.	muddy	fluffy
7	A **purple** dragon flies by.	purple	salty
8	My dog has a **furry** tail.	happy	furry

2. Make the sentence better

Answers will vary. Any describing word that makes sense is correct. Examples:

1. I see a dog.
   I see a big dog.
2. She has a ball.
   She has a red ball.
3. We ate cake.
   We ate yummy cake.
4. The cat sat on a mat.
   The black cat sat on a mat.
5. He found a shell.
   He found a pink shell.
6. I like my coat.
   I like my warm coat.