

Rule 14

Adjectives describe nouns or pronouns.

- An **adjective** can tell what kind, which one, or how many.

which one what kind
*Did you see **that** **large** spotted cow?*

how many what kind
***Three** **white** swans swam in the lake.*

how many what kind
*She put **several** **purple** flowers in the vase.*

- **Demonstrative adjectives** point out a specific person, place, or thing.

***This** book belongs to me.*

*I checked out **that** book from the library.*

***These** girls are my friends.*

*I don't know **those** people.*

Adjectives

Demonstrative Adjectives

A Fill in each blank with the correct demonstrative adjective.

this that these those

1. Who are _____ people standing by the fence?
2. Why is _____ dog digging in our backyard?
3. _____ slice of pie is delicious!
4. Mrs. Davis lives in _____ old green house on First Street.
5. Will you help me put _____ toys away right now?
6. _____ is the hardest homework I've had all year!

B Write a sentence using each of the demonstrative adjectives above.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

Name _____

Locate the Adjectives

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Circle all the adjectives in the paragraph.

P.T. Barnum has been called the “Greatest Showman on Earth.” Before forming his famous circus, Barnum entertained in other ways. He charged curious people money to listen to the rambling stories of an old woman. He claimed the chatty lady was the former nanny of George Washington. He opened a fascinating museum that housed strange exhibits and showcased performers doing incredible feats. When his bizarre museum burned down, P.T. Barnum went on the road with his interesting curiosities. The Barnum Circus was born.