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ADVANCED

ENGLISH ADJECTIVES

**E N G L I S H W I T H L U C Y**

**E M O T I O N S**

**ANGRY**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| enraged | /ɪnˈreɪdʒd/ | Tom became **enraged** when the agent couldn’t solve his problem. |
| furious | /ˈfjʊəriəs/ | He was already **furious** and couldn’t help but yell into the phone. |
| livid | /ˈlɪvɪd/ | The agent’s response to his problem only made him more **livid**. |

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| melancholy | /ˈmelənkɒli/ | Maria had been feeling **melancholy** since graduating college. |
| glum | /ɡlʌm/ | She could not shake the **glum** feeling. |
| sorrowful | /ˈsɒrəʊfl/ | She was **sorrowful** and felt so alone. |

**SAD**

**INTERESTING**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| mesmerising | /ˈmezməraɪzɪŋ/ | It was her first winter in her new town. The fireworks of the winter carnival were **mesmerising**. |
| captivating | /ˈkæptɪveɪtɪŋ/ | She stood there frozen in their **captivating** beauty. |
| spellbinding | /ˈspelbaɪndɪŋ/ | She went home that night replaying the  **spellbinding** events of the evening in her head. |

**BOTHERED**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| grumpy | /ˈɡrʌmpi/ | Kim claimed she wasn’t **grumpy** despite her obvious body language. |
| crabby | /ˈkræbi/ | I wasn’t sure if it was the lack of sleep that made her **crabby** or something I had done. |
| cranky | /ˈkræŋki/ | We took a quick walk along the canal, and I could see that she was no longer **cranky**. |

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| fearful | /ˈfɪəfl/ | Jerry is very **fearful** of thunder during storms. |
| alarmed | /əˈlɑːmd/ | He gets extremely **alarmed** and likes to hide behind his bed for safety. |
| rattled | /ˈrætld/ | We try to calm him down, but it is difficult when he is so **rattled**. |

**HAPPY**

**AFRAID**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| cheery | /ˈtʃɪəri/ | The leaves had begun to fall, and a **cheery** mood swept in with the autumn breeze. |
| elated | /ɪˈleɪtɪd/ | Brenda was **elated** by the sights and the smells in the park. |
| gleeful | /ˈɡliːfl/ | The beauty of autumn made her **gleeful**. |

**UPSET**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| distressed | /dɪˈstrest/ | He couldn’t hide his  **distressed** face. |
| agitated | /ˈædʒɪteɪtɪd/ | We all knew he was **agitated**, but he wouldn’t let on to what was bothering him. |
| unsettled | /ʌnˈsetld/ | He just sat there, feeling **unsettled,** until the meeting was over. |

**T R A I T S (TRĂSĂTURI) FRIENDLY**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| sociable | /ˈsəʊʃəbl/ | My dad has always been a **sociable** guy. |
| tender | /ˈtendə(r)/ | He has a **tender** way of dealing with people and makes friends  wherever he is. |
| affable | /ˈæfəbl/ | He is affable and caring, and I am proud to call him Dad |

**BORING**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| dull | /dʌl/ | It’s not that I don’t like school, it’s just that it can be so **dull**. |
| drab | /dræb/ | We sit in class with **drab** textbooks and listen to uninteresting lectures. |
| tedious | /ˈtiːdiəs/ | I find all of it so **tedious**. |

**ENERGETIC**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| frisky | /ˈfrɪski/ | My parents wanted a **frisky** dog, but had no idea how much  energy Rocky would have. |
| lively | /ˈlaɪvli/ | He is very **lively** and needs time to exercise his legs daily. |
| spirited | /ˈspɪrɪtɪd/ | Luckily, Rocky’s **spirited** attitude keeps them active. |

**MEAN**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| bitter | /ˈbɪtə(r)/ | Johnny talked excitedly about going to the playground all week. However, he quickly turned **bitter** when he saw the swings were closed. |
| disgruntled | /dɪsˈɡrʌntld/ | He was **disgruntled** and no longer wanted to ride his bike. |
| venomous | /ˈvenəməs/ | He yelled out **venomous** words, as children often do in these situations. |

**BREAVE**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| courageous | /kəˈreɪdʒəs/ | Arthur is a **courageous** man. He puts his life on the line each day he goes to work. |
| gallant | /ˈɡælənt/ | He doesn’t ask for praise, and his **gallant** efforts often go unnoticed. |
| daring | /ˈdeərɪŋ/ | Nevertheless, his **daring** job calls him to new challenges each day. |

**LIKEABLE**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| revered | /rɪˈvɪə(r)d/ | What makes Candace such a good friend? Is it her **revered** bubbly personality? |
| enviable | /ˈenviəbl/ | I think it’s her **enviable** smile that always makes me feel comforted. |
| admirable | /ˈ………………..əbl/ | She also listens without ment, which is **able**. |

**FUNNY**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| amusing | /əˈmjuːzɪŋ/ | Brandon is so **amusing**. |
| hilarious | /hɪˈleəriəs/ | He tells the most **hilarious** stories, and he’s full of jokes. |
| comical | /ˈkɒmɪkl/ | He has such a **comical** way of speaking that always makes us laugh |

**ADVENTUROUS**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| bold | /bəʊld/ | People often describe Yana as being **bold** because of her thrill- seeking ways. |
| intrepid | /ɪnˈtrepɪd/ | She is definitely **intrepid**. I couldn't do half the things she does. |
| audacious | /ɔːˈdeɪʃəs/ | I saw that she was rock climbing in Bali last week. I hope to be **audacious** one day. |

**STRANGE**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| peculiar | /pɪˈkjuːliə(r)/ | My boss had the **peculiar** idea of dressing up as Big Bird for a cycling race. |
| bizarre | /bɪˈzɑː(r)/ | He showed up in a **bizarre** costume, ready to cycle for 50 kilometres. |
| uncanny | /ʌnˈkæni/ | It’s that kind of **uncanny** thinking that sets him apart. |

**S E N S A T I O N**

**TIRED**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| bleary- eyed | /ˌblɪəri ˈaɪd/ | Rex and Ali went out for a morning run. It was so early that Ali was **bleary- eyed**. |
| weary | /ˈwɪəri/ | He felt **weary** as he walked back to his flat. |
| groggy | /ˈɡrɒɡi/ | Ali fell into his bed as **groggy** as ever while Rex lay there patiently, ready for the next adventure. |

**HUNGRY**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| amished | /ˈfæmɪʃt/ | Isabella was **famished**! She hadn’t eaten anything on the 10-hour flight. |
| peckish | /ˈpekɪʃ/ | **Peckish** didn’t begin to describe how she felt when she finally arrived at the night market. |
| ravenous | /ˈrævənəs/ | Isabella knew what she wanted to eat and was **ravenous** by the time she bit into her tostada. |

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| nauseous | /ˈnɔːʃəs/ | My aunt woke up this morning feeling **nauseous**. |
| queasy | /ˈkwiːzi/ | She had a **queasy** feeling in her stomach and couldn’t get out of bed. |
| feverish | /ˈfiːvərɪʃ/ | She felt **feverish,** so she lay in bed all day, allowing her body to rest. |

**CONFUSED**

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| **jective** | **IPA Trans** |  |
| uddled | /bɪˈfʌdld/ | The new engineer was **befuddled** by all of the software he needed to use. |
| oggy | /ˈfɒɡi/ | Everything he had learnt in training was **foggy** in his mind. |
| baffled | /ˈbæfld/ | He hopped around from program to program **baffled** by what he needed to do. |

**C O L O U R S**

**BLACK**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| inky | /ˈɪŋki/ | Brad noticed the sand near the volcano was **inky** and resembled oil. |
| raven | /ˈreɪvn/ | He was tired from walking and laid down on the raven shore. |
| onyx | /ˈɒnɪks/ | He closed his eyes and became one with the **onyx** landscape. |

**RED**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| rimson | /ˈkrɪmzn/ | My mum and I love to collect **crimson** flowers in spring. |
| scarlet | /ˈskɑːlət/ | She loves the **scarlet** hue of the petals as the sun passes through. |
| ruby | /ˈruːbi/ | I prefer the **ruby** buds just before they bloom. |

**BLUE**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| sapphire | /ˈsæfaɪə(r)/ | We had been driving for hours when we noticed the sky had turned a beautiful **sapphire** above our heads**.** |
| denim | /ˈdenɪm/ | We pulled in to admire the **denim** clouds. |
| navy | /ˌneɪvi/ | The **navy** mountains in the distance looked as if they were from another planet. |

**WHITE**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| cream | /kriːm/ | There is nothing better than curling up in my **cream**-coloured blanket on a Sunday afternoon. |
| pearl | /pɜːl/ | My husband knows to bring me my tea in my **pearl** mug. |
| off-white | /ˌɒf ˈwaɪt/ | He never forgets to use the **off-white** tray he bought for me in Spain. |

**YELLOW**

**BROWN**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| canary | /kəˈneəri/ | I have fond memories of my grandmother’s house, especially the **canary** tablecloth she used to use. |
| amber | /ˈæmbə(r)/ | The walls of her kitchen were **amber**, scattered with beautiful artwork. |
| buttery | /ˈbʌtəri/ | She never cleaned the windows, so a **buttery**, light shone through, creating an inviting atmosphere. |

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| cinnamon | /ˈsɪnəmən/ | **Cinnamon** leaves covered the ground like a thick carpet. |
| ochre | /ˈəʊkə(r)/ | The **ochre** trees would not show signs of life for months. |
| khaki | /ˈkɑːki/ | The **khaki** canopy kept the forest cool and still. |

**GREEN**

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| **Adjective** | **IPA Transcription** | **Example** |
| emerald | /ˈemərəld/ | My grandfather taught me how to garden. He showed me to look for **emerald** leaves because they are the most nutritious. |
| olive | /ˈɒlɪv/ | Some of the younger saplings had **olive** stems. |
| jade | /dʒeɪd/ | Sometimes, I would pluck a few of the beautifully coloured **jade** leaves of kale to snack on. |