

Coordinate Adjectives Practice

Remember our “tests” to see if we need a comma: “Coordinate adjectives” are adjectives placed next to each other that are equal in importance.

Two tests to determine whether adjectives are coordinate are the following:

1. See whether “and” can be smoothly placed between them.
2. See whether the adjectives’ order can be reversed.

If the “tests” are true, use a comma!

Re-write the sentences below on your own paper and use commas appropriately:

1. We enjoyed the clean crisp smell of the mountain air.
2. Beth was a student whose intelligent conscientious mind earned her good grades.
3. Dr. Bean gave us a hard final examination.
4. She ate the sweet juicy apple with a vengeance.
5. The awkward shy teenager felt nervous about his first date.
6. When the team failed to score, the bored restless crowd began to shout.
7. Marianne’s light blue dress fluttered in the breeze.
8. The gentle kind giant helped Jack climb back down the vine.
9. We saw several large apples on the young tree.
10. Registration was improved this year by the addition of an efficient courteous staff.