Compound Adjectives List

**Compound Adjectives with Numbers**

* three-second
  + There’s a three-second interruption.
* twenty-page
  + He handed me a twenty-page article.
* two-hour
  + She attended a two-hour conference.
* five-day
  + He went on a five-day tour.
* twelve-story
  + We live in a twelve-story apartment building
* ten-minute
  + Let’s take a ten-minute break.
* six-week
  + We took a six-week course.
* two-year
  + I have a two-year contract with my cell phone provider.
* one-month
  + The penalty for cheating is a one-month suspension.
* four-year-old
  + I have a four-year-old son.

**Adjective / Adverb + Past Participle**

* + narrow-minded
  + well-behaved
  + old-fashioned
  + densely-populated
  + short-haired
  + widely-recognized
  + high-spirited
  + well-educated
  + highly-respected
  + brightly-lit
  + absent-minded
  + strong-willed
  + quick-witted
  + middle-aged
  + kind-hearted

**Adjective / Adverb / Noun + Present Participle (-Ing)**

* + good-looking
  + long-lasting
  + record-breaking
  + never-ending
  + mouth-watering
  + thought-provoking
  + slow-moving
  + far-reaching
  + time-saving
  + forward-thinking

**Other Compound Adjectives**

* + ice-cold
  + last-minute
  + full-length.
  + world-famous
  + fat-free

Compound Adjectives Examples

**The examples of Compound Adjectives are mentioned below:**

1. I have a ***three-week*** vacation
2. The director produced his first ***full-length*** movie in 1998.
3. This is a ***four-foot*** table.
4. I can’t stand ***narrow-minded*** people who are intolerant of new ideas.
5. I work an ***eight-hour*** day
6. These ***time-saving*** techniques will help you work more efficiently.
7. Daniella is a ***part-time*** worker.
8. This is an ***all-too-common*** error.
9. A lot of ***well-educated*** people are still having trouble finding jobs.
10. The ***quick-witted*** detective solved the crime before anyone else had a clue.
11. Beware of the ***green-eyed*** monster.
12. It was quite a ***thought-provoking*** book.
13. He is a ***cold-blooded*** man.
14. He was dancing with a ***short-haired*** woman.
15. There was a ***five-second*** delay
16. I love this ***brightly-lit*** room!
17. Danny’s dog is ***well-behaved.***
18. There’s nothing better than drinking an ***ice-cold*** lemonade on a hot summer day.
19. We walked into a ***brightly-lit room***.
20. This long-lasting makeup will keep you looking lovely day and night.
21. You have to be ***open-minded*** about things.
22. There was a variety of mouth-watering desserts at the wedding reception.
23. Our office is in a ***twenty-story*** building.
24. It's an old ***coal-mining*** town
25. We had lunch in an ***old-fashioned*** restaurant with décor from the 1950s.
26. I have just finished reading a ***300-page*** book.
27. This is a ***world-famous*** museum.
28. He is a ***well-known*** writer.
29. The students gave a ***high-spirited*** musical performance.

Compound Adjectives Exercises

**Choose the correct compound adjective for each sentence.**

* She was a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ actress by the time she reached age five.
* Our house has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and two-bathrooms.
* Louis overcomes difficulties easily. He is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* My neighbor Jim is an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ author.
* Maria is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. She can’t quite see the words on the blackboard.
* My new chainsaw cost \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dollars.
* Along the river, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_floodwaters caused evacuations.
* This is a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ glue.
* He is fond of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Scotch.
* The weather has been \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lately.
* The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ has been going on for decades.
* It was a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ car.
* The bank robbers tried to hatch their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_plan and failed.
* This was a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Babysitting these kids is like trying to manage a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* My \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_cat died suddenly.
* Melanie has everything she needs. She is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* He ate a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sandwich for lunch.
* He works for an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ pharmaceutical company.
* Mr. Chan likes to hear about new ideas. He is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* That’s a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ duck.
* Jesse was promoted, so he bought \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* The sound of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ always soothes my mind.
* She wore an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dress to the ball.
* Did you know that there are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ plants?