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TELL ME MORE USING PREDICATE ADJECTIVES

Linking verbs are *intransitive, state of being verbs* that do not have a direct object. Instead, a linking verb *links* the subject of the sentence with more information about who or what the subject *is*. While action verbs show action, a linking verb doesn't. Instead of telling what the subject *does*, a linking verb's job is to join the subject with other words in the sentence that describe or explain more about the subject.

Linking verbs are followed by nouns, pronouns or adjectives. These nouns are called **predicate nouns**. The *adjectives* are called **predicate adjectives**. *Adjectives* are words you use to describe nouns. They tell us more about the subject.

Mary has a *green* coat.

Green is an *adjective* that tells us more about Mary's coat.

Predicate adjectives tell us more about the subject in a sentence. They *describe or explain more about* the subject.

Grandma is *tall*. *Tall* describes Grandma.

My perfume smells *sweet*. *Sweet* describes the perfume.

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Find and underline the **predicate adjectives** in the sentences below. *Hint: Look for describing words that tell more about the subject. Predicate adjectives come **after** the linking verb. You might find more than one predicate adjective in a sentence.*

1. Mr. Clark is tall.
2. My soccer team is slow.
3. Grandma's chocolate cake smells delicious.
4. Sparky, my kitten, feels soft and warm.
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6. Uncle John's beard looks brown and scratchy.

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