

Interrogative Adjectives

What is an interrogative adjective?

An interrogative adjective is an adjective that modifies a noun or pronoun in order to ask a question.

For example,

Which color is your favorite? In the above sentence, the adjective which modifies the noun color to ask someone what their favorite color is. In this question, the word ***which*** is an adjective because it is modifying a noun. Interrogative adjectives likewise can modify pronouns, too:

I have three cakes here. Which one do you want?
Which pen will they give us?

Examples:

Whose

Whose lunch is this? (Whose modifies the noun lunch. It is used to ask who the lunch belongs to.)

Whose pen will they give us?

Whose turn is this?

Whose lunch box is this?

Whose car are we planning to ride?

Whose school bag is this?

What

What building is the meeting in? (What modifies the noun building. It is used to ask where the location of the meeting is.)

What pen will they give us?

What kind of answer is this?

Which

Which bag is Amanda's? (Which modifies the noun bag. It is used to ask for help identifying the bag that belongs to Amanda.)

Which pen do you like more?

Which book on proofreading do you recommend?

Which team scored the higher in the last match?

Which player did get a fifty yesterday?

Exercise:

1. _____ house did you buy?

Answer: The one on Maple Street. I didn't like the neighborhood in Bel-Air.

2. _____ one of the following is the best teacher to learn music?

Answer: I'm sorry but I don't know any of them.

3. Do you know _____ coat this is?

Answer: That is Amanda's coat. She must have left it since she was in a hurry.

4. Will you tell me _____ house belongs to the Cook family?

Answer: It's the one on the left beside the water station.

5. Could you help me figure out _____ cake is grandma's favorite?

Answer: Chocolate cake is her all-time favorite.

6. Would you mind telling me _____ phone this is?

Answer: It was Ben who was sitting there earlier.

7. Do you know _____ way the dog ran when he got out of the fence?

Answer: That way!

8. _____ team is supposed to practice on this field tonight at 6pm?

Answer: Andrew's team.

9. _____ fruit would go best with our lunch today?

Answer: Mango and papaya would go best.

10. _____ time will the meeting start?

Answer: It will start at 10a.m.

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