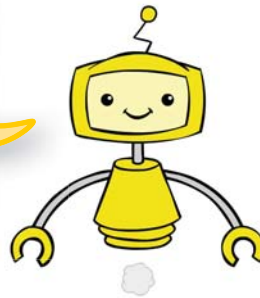


Describing stuff

Let's take some adverbs for a spin. When describing places and things, we can intensify the adjectives used by adding a modifying adverb. In this work sheet you will practise doing this!



LINKS TO:

Stage 2, Module 2
Learning Object 2: Sending out an SOS

PRIOR LEARNING:

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Module 3 Work Sheet 1: *Modifying adverb 'very'*

Work Sheet 2: *Identifying and describing*



1 Modifying adverbs

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Remember the three modifying adverbs, **sangat**, **amat** and **sekali**, which all mean 'very'?

See Stage 1, Module 3, Work Sheet 1, *Modifying adverb 'very'*

<i>Monas sangat tinggi.</i>	Monas is very tall.
<i>Jakarta amat ramai.</i>	Jakarta is very busy.
<i>Baju ini mahal sekali.</i>	This shirt is very expensive.

Here are three new ones:

sedikit	a little
agak	quite / fairly
cukup	sufficiently / enough

Using words like these gives us more ways to describe people, places and things.

For example:

<i>Dia sedikit marah hari ini.</i>	He's a little angry today.
<i>Sekolah ini agak tua.</i>	This school is quite old.
<i>Mobil itu cukup nyaman.</i>	That car is comfortable enough .

2 Not so good

2

► **Kurang** means 'less' or 'not enough'; in this sense it is the opposite of **cukup**.

<i>Komedi itu cukup lucu.</i>	That comedy is funny enough .
<i>Komedi itu kurang lucu.</i>	That comedy is not all that funny.

► You know that you use *begitu* to say you understand something. In a sense it means 'like that'. In another context, the word *begitu* can be coupled with the word *tidak* to mean 'not really' or 'not all that ...'

In Stage 2, Module 1, Work Sheet 3, *I want to know how!*

<i>Dia tidak begitu pandai menyanyi.</i>	He is not all that clever at singing.
<i>Film itu tidak begitu bagus.</i>	That movie is not all that good.

Note:

Notice that these modifiers are all placed before the adjective, with the exception of *sekali*, which is placed after the adjective.

To like or not to like

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- ▶ When used with **suka**, meaning 'like', these modifiers specify how much something is liked.

Anna **suka** sekali bermain sepak bola.

Anna really **likes** playing soccer.

Dia **sama sekali tidak suka** bermain tennis.

She absolutely doesn't **like** playing tennis.

Peter **suka** makan mie.

Peter **likes** eating noodles.

Dia **tidak suka** minum kopi.

He doesn't **like** drinking coffee.

- ▶ The modifiers *kurang* and *tidak begitu* can be used in the same way as *tidak* and *sama sekali tidak* to express the degree to which something is not liked.

Note:

Sama sekali tidak suka means to hate something. Indonesians also have a word for hate, *benci*. But *benci* is very strong and is not used by Indonesians for everyday dislikes. You'll learn more on this later.

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Exercises

Exercise 1

1.1 Write out these modifiers in a list from least intensive to most intensive.

sekali

agak

cukup

tidak

amat

sangat

sedikit

kurang

tidak begitu

Hint! Some modifiers may be the same level of intensity.

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1.2 Justify the order in which you have placed the modifiers.

Hint! If you wish you may use adjectives as well to illustrate your explanation.

Exercise 2

Select words from each of the lists to write one sentence about each of the ten subjects. Make sure your sentences make sense. Write your sentences on the following page.

For example:

Zak tidak begitu pandai bermain sepak bola.

Subject	Modifier	Adjective	Optional ending
<i>Peter</i>	<i>sedikit</i>	<i>besar</i>	<i>belajar + subject</i>
<i>Anna</i>	<i>tidak begitu</i>	<i>nyaman</i>	<i>bermain + sport</i>
<i>Zak</i>	<i>cukup</i>	<i>pandai</i>	<i>berbahasa Indonesia</i>
<i>Pak Darsono</i>	<i>sekali</i>	<i>lucu</i>	
<i>Pak Darmawan</i>	<i>kurang</i>	<i>bagus</i>	
<i>Sekolah Harapan Bangsa</i>	<i>agak</i>	<i>tua</i>	
<i>Mobil Mercedes</i>	<i>tidak</i>	<i>mewah</i>	
<i>Acara televisi Indonesia</i>	<i>sangat</i>	<i>membosankan</i>	
<i>Kota Jakarta</i>		<i>ramai</i>	
<i>Apartemen keluarga Smart</i>		<i>mahal</i>	
		<i>galak</i>	
		<i>ramah</i>	

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Exercise 3

Read the conversation between Peter and Ardi as they meet at school one Friday morning.

Peter

Pagi, Di.

Baik. Besok hari libur, ya?

Malamnya, mau ke bioskop untuk nonton film komedi Indonesia.

Boleh! Aku paling suka seri film aksi Quick and Furious. Sebelum nonton, apa Ardi mau makan dulu?

Bagaimana kalau kita makan di Pizza Tavern?

Setuju. Aku suka banget makanan di situ. Amat enak satenya.

OK. Sampai besok, Di.

Ardi

Pagi, Peter. 'Pa kabar?

Iya. Peter mau ngapain besok?

Idih! Aku sama sekali tidak suka film komedi Indonesia. Terlalu dibuat-buat! Bagaimana kalau kita nonton film aksi baru dari Amerika, Quick and Furious 5 yang dibintangi Wayne Johnson.

Mau! Peter mau makan di mana?

Jangan! Aku kurang suka makan masakan barat terus. 'Gimana kalau kita makan di Satay House Senayan saja?

Baiklah! Kalau begitu, aku jemput Peter besok. Kita diantar ke restoran dan bioskop oleh supir bapakku.

3.1 From the language used, what can you infer about the relationship between Peter and Ardi?

Write down specific examples from the conversation.

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3.2 Did you notice two new modifiers used in their conversation?

Identify these two new modifiers.

3.3 Write five sentences that express degrees of liking, using the verbs *belajar*, *bermain*, *makan*, *menonton* and *mendengarkan*.

belajar:

bermain:

makan:

menonton:

mendengarkan:

Exercise 4

Examine the Monday evening television guide.

TPRI	ITV	RTVI	NTVI
Senin, 18 Juni	Senin, 18 Juni	Senin, 18 Juni	Senin, 18 Juni
05.30 WIB: Kuliah Subuh	15:30 WIB: The Campbell	12.00 WIB: Wok with Tan	16.00 WIB: Wok with Tan
06.00 WIB: Selamat Pagi Indonesia Daerah: Kupang	15.55 WIB: Trailer/Filler	12.30 WIB: Basic Training	16.30 WIB: Berita Daerah
06.30 WIB: Berita Pagi	16.00 WIB: Flora Fauna	13.00 WIB: Sesame Street	17.00 WIB: Bugs Bunny 50th Anniversary
07.00 WIB: Serbaneka	16.25 WIB: Trailer/Filler	14.00 WIB: Dinosaucer	18.00 WIB: Munster Today
07.25 WIB: Alvin and The Chipmunks	16.30 WIB: Rubrik Teknologi	14.30 WIB: Plastic Man	18.30 WIB: Doogie Howser MD
08.00 WIB: Pendidikan SLTP Geografi: Besi dan Manfaatnya	17.00 WIB: Berita Nusantara	15.00 WIB: Greatest American Hero	19.00 WIB: Berita Nasional
08.30 WIB: Pendidikan SLTP Matematika: Pecahan	17.30 WIB: Negeri Tercinta Nusantara Jawa Barat	16.00 WIB: Batman	19.30 WIB: Who's The Boss
09.00 WIB: World Festival	17.45 WIB: Bina Pramuka	16.30 WIB: Dagnet	20.00 WIB: 21 Jump Street
09.29 WIB: Mudah Kedal	18.15 WIB: Pembinaan Bahasa Indonesia	17.00 WIB: Aneka Citra	21.00 WIB: Dunia Dalam Berita
10.00 WIB: Mimbar Agama: Kristen Protestan	18.45 WIB: Siaran Pedesaan	17.30 WIB: Citra Nuansa Nuansa	21.30 WIB: Miami Vice
10.30 WIB: Wanita Indonesia	19.00 WIB: Berita Nasional	18.00 WIB: Doogie Howser MD	22.30 WIB: Dragon Strike (Bag 5)
11.00 WIB: Glory Enough For All	19.30 WIB: Kiat Manajemen	18.30 WIB: Twilight Zone	23.30 WIB: Fall Guy
	20.00 WIB: The Bold and The Beautiful	19.00 WIB: Berita Nasional	00.30 WIB: Berita Terakhir
	20.55 WIB: Trailer/Filler	19.30 WIB: Who's the Boss	
	21.00 WIB: Dunia Dalam Berita	20.00 WIB: Miami Vice	
	21.35 WIB: Dari Masa ke Masa	21.00 WIB: Dunia Dalam Berita	
	22.30 WIB: Siaran Berita Terakhir	21.30 WIB: Informasi RCTI	
		21.40 WIB: L.A. Law	
		22.40 WIB: Dragon Strikes	
		23.40 WIB: Bultein Malam	
		00.10 WIB: Werewolf	
		00.40 WIB: Another World	
		01.30 WIB: Siaran Berita Terakhir	

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Write five sentences in which Peter tells Ardi about what he likes to watch.

For example:

Aku sama sekali tidak suka menonton Dunia Dalam Berita di RTVI setiap hari pada pukul 21.00.

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