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METHOD

IV. An Adjective is said to be used predicatively when it is related to a Noun by means of a Verb and completes the idea signified by the Verb.

In our second sentence how did you say "weary" is related to "man"? It is related through the verb "is."

What is the thought asserted about the man? "That he is weary" is asserted.

Then what is the double duty of weary? It describes the condition of the man, and forms part of the predicate.

Give a descriptive name for such a use of the adjective. It might be said to be used predicatively.

Then give your explanation of an adjective used predicatively. See B.B. Sketch below.

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1. Some adjectives are closely connected with the noun whose meaning they modify; others are connected by means of a verb, while still others are very loosely connected.

2. When an adjective is closely related to the noun, the adjective is said to be used attributively.

3. When an adjective is loosely related to a noun, the adjective is said to be used appositively.

4. An adjective is said to be used predicatively when it is related to a noun by means of a verb and completes the idea signified by the verb.