

ADJECTIVES.

1. An adjective is a word that describes or limits a noun.

Adjectives may be arranged in three classes :—

1. **Adjectives of Quality**, which mention some *quality* of the noun, as *blind* children, the *lame* old man.

2. **Adjectives of Quantity**, which mention the *number* or *quantity* of things, as *five* oxen, *many* hay, *much* hay.

3. **Demonstrative Adjectives**, which point out or modify the meaning of nouns. This class includes :

(a) the articles, *a*, *an*, *the* and the *pointing-out* words, *this*, *that*, *which*, *what*.

(b) The possessives, *my*, *thy*, *his*, *her*, *our*, *your*, *their*.

(c) The ordinal numerals, *first*, *second*, *third*, *fourth*, *fifth*, *sixth*, *seventh*, *eighth*, *ninth*, *tenth*.

EXERCISE 8.

Point out the adjectives, and tell what each shows about its noun :—

1. We cannot have good health without fresh air and a sufficient amount of wholesome food. 2. A cat, according to a common proverb, has nine lives. 3. All the people saw that monkey on the branch of a high tree. 4. Our cow gives several pints of good milk every day. 5. The third boy in the class has been absent all the week. 6. A large number of ripe apples fell from the same branch while that