

L'adjectif : accord de l'adjectif au féminin

Adjective: feminine adjective agreement

Introduction

Pierre est calme, compétent, sérieux et motivé. (*Pierre is calm, competent, serious, and motivated.*)

Sarah est calme, compétente, sérieuse et motivée. (*Sarah is calm, competent, serious, and motivated.*)

Construction

To put an adjective in the feminine form, we generally add an « e » at the end of the masculine adjective :

| masculine adjective | feminine adjective |
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| grand (tall) | grand e (tall) |
| compétent (competent) | compétent e (competent) |

If the masculine adjective finishes with « é » or « i », add an « e » at the end, but the pronunciation stays the same :

| masculine adjective | feminine adjective |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| poli (polite) | poli e (polite) |
| motivé (motivated) | motivé e (motivated) |

If the adjective in the masculine form finishes with “e”, the feminine and the masculine are identical :

| masculine adjective | feminine adjective |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| calme (calm) | calme (calme) |
| dynamique (dynamic) | dynamique (dynamic) |

If the adjective in the masculine form finishes with “x”, the feminine finishes with “-se”:

| masculine adjective | feminine adjective |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| heureux (happy) | heureuse (happy) |
| sérieux (serious) | sérieuse (serious) |

If the adjective in the masculine form finishes with “-if”, the feminine finishes with “-ive”:

| masculine adjective | feminine adjective |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| sportif (sportive) | sportiv e (sportive) |
| créatif (creative) | créativ e (créative) |



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