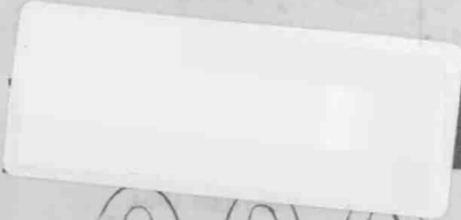


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UNIT 1 DESCRIBING OBJECTS



- 301 What color is your book?
- 302 My book has a dark blue cover.
- 303 How much does that typewriter weigh?
- 304 It's not too heavy, but I don't know the exact weight.
- 305 This round table weighs about forty-five pounds.
- 306 What size suitcase do you own?
- 307 One of my suitcases is small, and the other one is medium size.
- 308 I like the shape of that table.
- 309 How long is Jones Boulevard?
- 310 That street is only two miles long.
- 311 Will you please measure this window to see how wide it is?
- 312 This window is just as wide as that one.
- 313 The walls are three inches thick.
- 314 This material feels soft.
- 315 This pencil is longer than that one.

INTONATION

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VERB STUDY

1. weigh

- a. How much does that typewriter weigh?
- b. This table weighs about forty-five pounds.
- c. Did you weigh the suitcase?
- d. Yes, I weighed the suitcase this morning.

2. like

- a. I like the shape of that table.
- b. Do you like the shape of that window?
- c. I liked the movie very much.
- d. He likes the medium size suitcase.

3. measure

- a. Will you please measure this window?
- b. I've already measured that window.
- c. I'm measuring the window right now.
- d. Did he measure the table to see how long it is?

4. feel

- a. This material feels soft.
- b. I feel fine today.
- c. I didn't feel well yesterday.
- d. He felt the material to see how soft it was.

5. own

- a. What size suitcase do you own?
- b. I own a small suitcase and a medium size one.
- c. He owns that automobile.
- d. Last year he owned a good automobile.

6. have

- a. My book has a dark blue cover.
- b. I have two suitcases.
- c. Last year I had a good typewriter.
- d. Does he have a dark blue book?

7. be

- a. What color is your book?
- b. The walls are three inches thick.
- c. I'm a doctor.
- d. He was in New York yesterday.
- e. Isn't John your brother?

SUBSTITUTION DRILLS

1. What color is your

book
pencil
typewriter
camera

 ? Do you remember?

2. My book has a

dark blue
light blue
bright red
red and blue

 cover. Have you seen it?

3. How much does that

typewriter
table
dog
elephant

 weigh? Can you tell me?

4. It's

not too heavy
not awfully heavy
very light
pretty light
fairly heavy

 , but I don't know the exact weight.

5. This

round
square
long
narrow
small

 table weighs about forty-five pounds.

6. What size

suitcase
notebook
house
apartment
diamond

 do you own?

7. One of my suitcases is

small
large
little
big

 , and the other one is medium.

8. I like the

shape
size
color
weight

 of that table. Do you like it?
9. How

long
wide
narrow
big

 is Jones Boulevard? Do you know?
10. That street is only

two miles long
two blocks long
300 yards long
two miles in length
900 feet long

 What's the name of the street?
11. Will you please measure this window to see how

wide
narrow
high
big
small

 it is?
12. This window is just as

wide
narrow
high
big
small
high and wide

 as that one.
13. The walls are

three inches
two feet
one yard
3 in.
2 ft.
1 yd.

 thick. How high are the walls?

6 UNIT ONE

14. This material feels

soft
hard
wet
dry
hard and dry
soft and wet

 . How does that material feel?
15. This pencil is

longer
shorter
bigger
smaller
heavier
lighter

 than that one.
16. This book weighs

two pounds
twenty ounces
2 lbs.
25 oz.

 . What's the weight of that book?
17. This window is

two feet
twenty-six inches
2'
26"

 wide. What's the width of that window?
18.

What size
How big

 is your apartment?
19. Do you

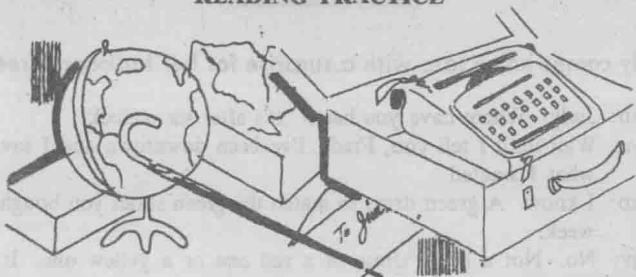
have
own
want

 a large suitcase?
20. Your suitcase

is
looks
feels

 very heavy.

READING PRACTICE



Describing Objects

Yesterday was Jim's birthday. He got a lot of presents from his friends and family. All the gifts were wrapped in colored paper. Some of the packages were large, but others were very small. Some were heavy, and others were light. One square package was blue; there was a book in it. Another one was long and narrow; it had an umbrella in it. Jim's sister gave him a big, round package. He thought it was a ball, but it was not. When he removed the yellow paper that covered it, he saw that it was a globe of the world.

After that his brother gave Jim another gift. It was a big box wrapped in green paper. Jim opened it and found another box covered with red paper. He removed the paper and saw a third box; this one was blue in color.

Everyone laughed as Jim opened the boxes. There were six of them! In the last one he found a small white envelope. There was a piece of paper in the envelope which said: "Go to the big bedroom. Look in the closet near the high window. You will see three suitcases: a black one, a brown one and a gray one. Your birthday present is in one of these."

Jim went in the large bedroom. He went to the closet and began opening the suitcases. He had to open all of them before he saw his brother's present. He was very happy. It was just what Jim wanted—a portable typewriter.

Questions

1. What was in the square blue package?
2. What did Jim's sister give him?
3. What was in the long, narrow box?
4. Describe the gift from Jim's brother.
5. Was Jim happy with the gift from his brother? Why?

CONVERSATION

Judy comes home late with a surprise for her husband, Fred.

FRED: Judy! Where have you been? It's after six o'clock.

JUDY: Wait until I tell you, Fred! I've been downtown and I saw just what I wanted.

FRED: I know. A green dress to match the green shoes you bought last week.

JUDY: No. Not a green dress or a red one or a yellow one. It isn't anything for me. It's for our house.

FRED: Our house? What is it?

JUDY: You'll never guess. It's a new sofa. A yellow one.

FRED: We already have a sofa, Judy. A very good one.

JUDY: I never liked it. It's brown and our other furniture is light blue. It doesn't match. The yellow one will look good with our other things.

FRED: Very well. Tell me about it.

JUDY: First of all, it's exactly the right size for the wall near the window. The sofa we have now is too short.

FRED: Is it wide or narrow?

JUDY: It's as wide as our old sofa, but it looks narrower because it's longer.

FRED: Fine. Then I'll have a very good place to sleep after dinner.



EXERCISES

1. Complete the following sentences with the correct word.

Example: My automobile is *longer* than yours. (*longer, length, medium, small*)

- a. This typewriter weighs _____. (*light, heavy, 25 lbs., 10 inches*)
- b. The typewriter is _____ than this pencil. (*light, heavy, lighter, heavier*)
- c. This pencil is _____ than the typewriter. (*light, heavy, lighter, heavier*)
- d. Jones Boulevard measures _____ in width. (*36 lbs., heavy, 36 oz., 36 feet*)
- e. It is _____ than Lane Street. (*wide, wider, width, weight*)
- f. I don't know the exact _____ of the window. (*wide, wider, width, high*)
- g. This window is _____ than that one. (*narrow, narrower, height, width*)
- h. This wall is just as _____ as that one. (*thick, thickness, width, height*)

2. Complete the sentences with the correct word from the list below:

weight size color shape length
height width material

- a. The _____ of this book is blue.
- b. The _____ of this table is round.
- c. The _____ of this suitcase is 20 lbs.
- d. The _____ of the street is 2 miles.
- e. This suitcase is a small _____.
- f. This window is high. Its _____ is three feet.
- g. This is a wide street. Its _____ is 36 feet.
- h. This _____ feels soft.

10 UNIT ONE

3. Complete the sentences below with the appropriate words from the list:

large	wide	long	light	hard
narrow	thick	soft	small	dry
thin	heavy	wet	short	

Example: Elephants are big. They are not *small*.

- This suitcase is awfully heavy. It is not _____.
- This table is pretty small. It is not _____.
- This material feels fairly soft. It is not _____.
- Jones Boulevard is very wide. It is not _____.
- The window was wet. It was not _____.
- These walls are two feet thick. They are not _____.
- This street is very long. It is not _____.
- This is a thin book. It is not _____.
- This is a narrow window. It is not _____.
- This is a light briefcase. It is not _____.
- This is a hard bed. It is not _____.
- This street is dry. It is not _____.
- This table is short. It is not _____.

4. Complete the questions with one of the expressions from the list below:

how wide	how long	what is the weight
how thick	what color	what is the thickness
what sizes	what shape	what is the width
how much heavier	what is the length	how tall

Example: *What is the width* of that window? It is 3 feet wide.

- _____ of that pencil? It weighs 2 oz.
- _____ is that window? It is 41 inches in width.
- _____ is that street? It is two miles in length.

- d. _____ is that wall? It is three feet thick.
- e. _____ of that street? It is 36 feet wide.
- f. _____ is this book than that one? They are the same weight.
- g. _____ is your book? It is red and blue.
- h. _____ are your suitcases? One is small and the other is medium.
- i. _____ is that table? It is round.
- j. _____ of that material? It is three yards long.
- k. _____ is John? His height is exactly six feet.

5. Use the right verb form:

weighing weigh weighs am is are
measure measures measuring

- a. How many pounds do you _____?
- b. I don't know how many pounds I _____.
- c. John _____ one hundred and fifty pounds.
- d. You _____ your suitcase to see what size it is.
- e. My mother _____ the windows to see how wide they are.
- f. I _____ heavier than my sister.
- g. These windows _____ wider than those.
- h. Dogs _____ smaller than elephants.
- i. How much does that typewriter _____?
- j. They are _____ the windows now to see how high they are.
- k. I am _____ my suitcase to see what its weight is.
- l. The boulevard _____ only three miles long.
- m. That man is _____ the boulevard now to see what its width is.
- n. That street _____ longer than this one.
- o. Will you _____ the length of this material for me, please?

WORD LIST

apartment	high	short, shorter, shortest
as . . . as	inch	size
awfully	large	small, smaller, smallest
big, bigger, biggest	length	soft
bright	light, lighter, lightest	square
camera	long, longer, longest	suitcase
color	material	thick
cover	medium	too
dark	mile	typewriter
diamond	narrow	weight
elephant	only	wet
fairly	ounce	wide
foot, feet	pound	width
hard	round	yard
heavy, heavier, heaviest	shape	

Verb Forms

Weights and Measures

p. = past; p. part. = past participle
 feel, felt (*p. and p. part.*)
 measure, measured (*p. and p. part.*)
 own, owned (*p. and p. part.*)
 weigh, weighed (*p. and p. part.*)

26" = twenty-six inches
 26 in. = twenty-six inches
 2' = two feet
 2 ft. = two feet
 1 yd. = one yard
 25 oz. = twenty-five ounces
 2 lb. = two pounds

Expression

how much

Supplementary Word List

(Conversation and Reading Practice)

ball	furniture	removed
bedroom	gifts	shoes
box	globe	sofa
closet	laughed	surprise
colored	match	umbrella
covered	package	why
downtown	portable	wrapped
dress	presents	