Module 4

Here we will look at grading adjectives, phrases that you can use to express that you love someone/ something and show your passion.

We'll then move on to practise verbs with prepositions, talk about sports and staying active and finally, we'll close it off by giving and receiving compliments.

I guess you could say that this is a feel-good module. :)

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Warm up

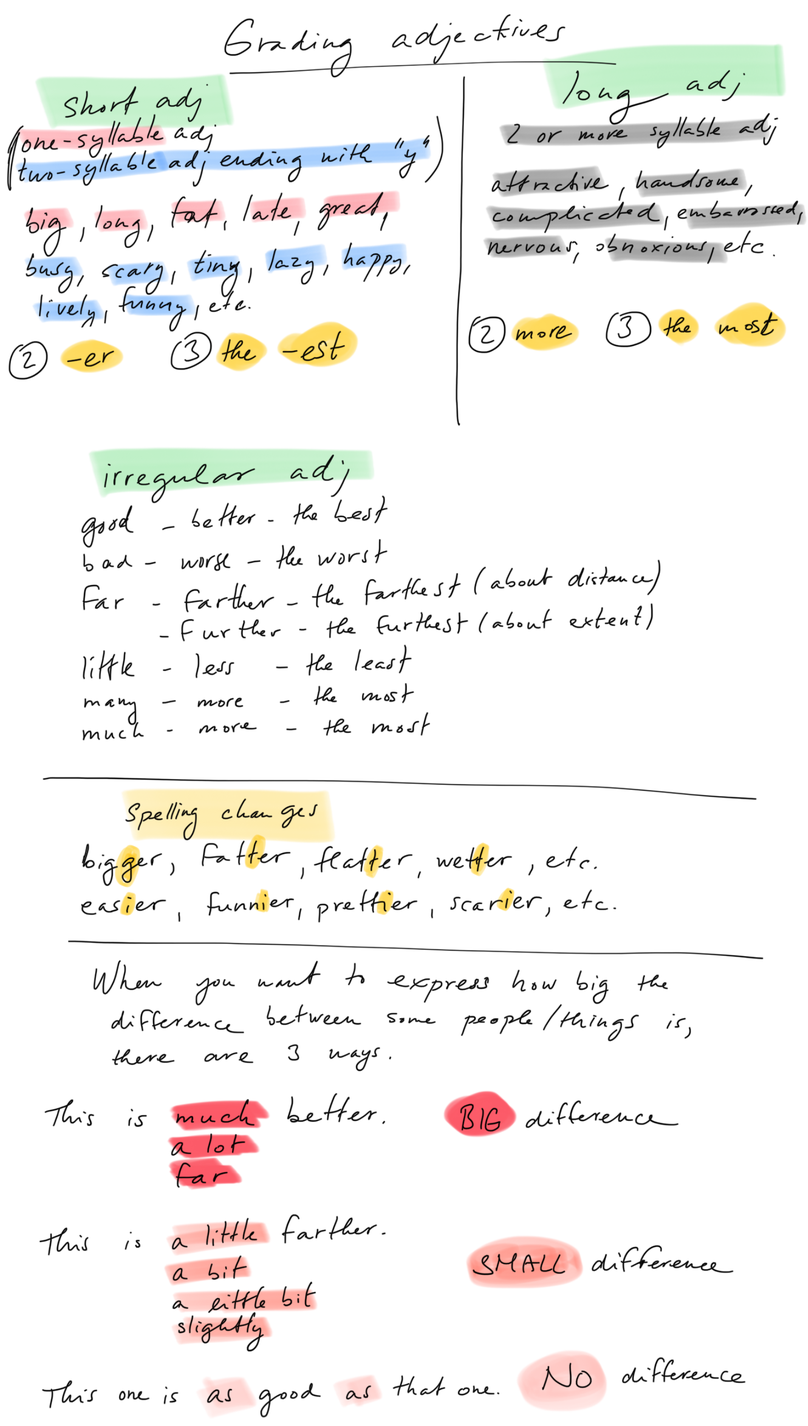
Answer the following questions.

- What are you passionate about?
- Pick someone you know very well (mum/dad/sibling/close friend/etc.). What are they passionate about?
- What always lifts your spirits (=zvedne náladu) when you’re tired of everything?

Grading adjectives

It’s quite probable that this is a grammar point you learned at elementary school and practised at secondary school, but if you’re feeling a bit rusty, the following couple of slides should help you dust up on the basics of what you most probably already know.

These are the basic rules for grading adjectives. Take a look to find out if you remember all this.



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a little, slightly, a bit
a little bit, a tad, a touch

much, a lot, far

as old as

the same age as

Each line contains words with a similar meaning. Which of them do you know?

- Bright, smart
- Sharp, sleek, dapper, elegant
- Open-minded, non-judgmental, outgoing
- Thoughtful
- Compassionate, sympathetic, empathetic
- Affectionate, loving
- Amiable, nice, kind, friendly, kind-hearted
- Diligent, hard working
- Frank, honest
- Rational
- Emotional, sensitive
- Resourceful, creative
- Witty, funny, humorous

Pick 5 of the words below and use them in sentences about your family or friends.
E.g. My sister is one of the frankest people I know. She always says what she thinks, regardless of the outcome. She's a teacher as well and sometimes she's painfully honest with colleagues, students or even her boss, not to mention our family. (true story) :)

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LOVE is in the air :)

What other phrases can you use to say that you like/love someone or doing something?

These are a couple of phrases that you can use as alternatives for “I like/ love…”

- I am into…
- I am keen on…
- I enjoy -ing…
- I fancy -ing…
- I have a soft spot for…
- I adore…
- I am passionate about…
- I am excited about… // … gets me excited
- I am fond of…
- I am really interested in…
- I cherish…
- I care for…

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1 That boy is looking at you. I think he _____ you!
2 It's odd. He used to be very _____ on football but now he doesn't watch it at all.
3 I've always been very _____ of Charles, but I would never marry him.
4 She's a great teacher. She's intelligent, witty and she _____ children.
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Quizlet

with verbs with preposition and verbs expressing positive emotions

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Doing sport and staying active

How would you answer the following questions?

- Do you enjoy doing sports? Are you good at them?
- Did you like PE lessons when you were at secondary school? Why? Why not?
- Do you enjoy watching sport? Why? Why not?
- Which sports are the most popular in the Czech Republic?
- How many kilometres do you walk a day? Is it enough?
- What sports would you like to try? Why?
- Where is the nearest stadium, gym or sports centre to your house? Do you go there?
- How physically fit do you feel? Do you think you’re giving your body enough movement, the right food and enough sleep to feel good?

Compliments

Let's watch a video where people who know each other (friends, mother-daughter, gf-bf, etc.) are stopped on the street and asked if they wanted to give each other compliments.

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A) Watch the clip and fill in the gap.

-The first girl who gives a compliment is addressing her …….
-The second boy wants to thank his ……. because he's always there to ……. him even when he says : " No, I don't really ……. this talk right now ."
-The third young man gives a compliment to someone who has been his friend for ……. years .
-The fourth says thank you to his number one …….
-The couple has been married for …….
-The sixth person says his daughter has a great sense of …….
-The woman who addresses her daughter says she is ……. and thoughtful.

B) Now complete with following words - gift, smile, amazing, inspires, voice, kindergarten, awareness

-The boss thinks his coworker is also someone who …….. him.
-The daughter says she likes her mum's …….
-The two young men have been friends since …….
-The father of the boy with glasses is proud of his son's ……. of others.
-The husband admires his wife's capacity to make everyone ……..
-The girl in the green top says her friend is such a/an ……person.
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-The first girl who gives a compliment is addressing her ……boss……
-The second boy wants to thank his ……dad…… because he's always there to ……support…… him even when he says : " No, I don't really ……need…… this talk right now ."
-The third young man gives a compliment to someone who has been his friend for ……12…… years .
-The fourth says thank you to his number one ……friend……
-The couple has been married for ……15 years…
-The sixth person says his daughter has a great sense of ……humour……
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How would you answer the following questions?

- What do you think about this project?
- Is it easy to give compliments to the people we love? Why? Why not?
- When was the last time you gave or received a compliment? What was it?

Collocations with the word “compliment”::

get/receive a compliment

give/pay a compliment

repay/return the compliment

fish for compliments (čekat na poklony, takové to když někdo dělá, že za nic nestojí a čeká, že to někdo vyvrátí) :)

my compliments to the chef (poklona, pochvala kuchařovi)

complimentary ticket (lístek zdarma, volňásek)

Revision :)

Click the link to practise the language covered in this module.
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