Modifiers

A word or a phrase that is used with another word or phrase to add or change or limit its meaning is called Modifiers.

Example of Modifiers:

- 1.I saw a <u>beautiful</u> bird.
- 2.Mr. Khan is an honest man.
- 3.He is a man <u>of great honor</u>.

There are two types of Modifiers:

i) Pre modifier ii) Post modifier

Types of Modifiers and their uses:

1. Pre determiners as pre modifiers:

All, half, both etc are used as pre modifiers before a noun/ noun phrase.

Examples:

1.<u>All</u> the girls were present in the class.

2. Both the books are out of print.

2. Determiners as pre modifiers:

A, an, the, any, another, both, certain, each, either, enough, every, few, half, last, less, little, many, more, most, much, neither, next, no, other, own, plenty, same, several, some, such, **that, this, these, those**, whole etc. <u>Examples:</u>

- 1.<u>These</u> mangoes are green.
- 2. Every student will get a pen.
- 3. The <u>next</u> room was large.
- 4.1 went there <u>many/several</u> (Use determiner as pre-modifier) times.

3. Quantifiers as pre modifiers: Much, many, several, some, a lot of, few, one, two, three, four etc (any number) are used as pre modifiers.

Examples:

- 1.<u>Many</u> people came to meet you.
- 2. <u>Three</u> men died on the spot.

4.Possessives as premodifiers: My, our, your, his, her, their, its etc. Alvi's new car, Samia's dress.

<u>His</u> attitude is praiseworthy.

1.<u>Their</u> movement is suspicious.

It's: It is my book.

Its : Water has no color of its own.