

# MVSKOKE ADJECTIVES

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**locv cate**  
turtle red

**hokte mahe**  
woman tall

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**One red turtle**



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## Adjective Endings in a Sentence

If you've seen Mvskoke sentences, you've probably noticed 'n' and 't' added onto words. This is because they denote the subject and non-subject of a sentence.

### 't' for SUBJECTS

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If the noun/phrase in the sentence is NOT the subject, it will generally end in an 'n'

The 't' or 'n' will be added to the LAST adjective in the sequence.

**One red turtle bites two brown dogs**

(The one red turtle is the subject because he is doing the action)



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turtle red one

**efv oklane hokkolen akkes**  
dog brown two bites

## Try it yourself

### Adjective Order

Brown cow \_\_\_\_\_

Fat duck \_\_\_\_\_

One old man \_\_\_\_\_

### Mvskoke Practice

"A yellow cat" (subject) \_\_\_\_\_

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