

SCENE 33 • GRAMMAR

Vissiltākā jaka

Specific clothes and the highest degree

6 Exercises • Duration: 20 min.

The weather and what to wear

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Specific clothes and the highest degree

A superlative gives the highest degree. Use **vis-** with the definite comparative adjective: **vissiltākais**, masculine, **vissiltākā**, feminine. For a jacket say **vissiltākā jaka**.

A definite adjective identifies a particular thing: **dzeltenā jaka**, the yellow jacket, **dzeltenais dīvāns**, the yellow sofa. Common singular nominative endings are **-ais** masculine and **-ā** feminine; accusative is **-o** for both: **dzeltenu jaku**, **dzeltenu dīvānu**.

Pārāk maza means too small for a feminine jacket. Ask **Vai drīkstu pielaikot?** for permission. When something suits you, the person is dative: **jaka man piestāv**.

Form	Example	Meaning
vissiltākā	Tā ir vissiltākā jaka.	That is the warmest jacket.
vissiltākais	Tas ir vissiltākais mētelis.	That is the warmest coat.
dzeltenu	Es ņemu dzeltenu jaku.	I take the yellow jacket.
dzeltenā	Tā ir dzeltenā jaka.	That is the yellow jacket.
dzeltenais	Tas ir dzeltenais dīvāns.	That is the yellow sofa.
man	Jaka man piestāv.	The jacket suits me.
priecīgs priecīga	Es esmu priecīgs. Es esmu priecīga.	I am happy.

Form	Example	Meaning
priecīgs	Jūs esat priecīgs.	You are happy, polite.
priecīga	Jūs esat priecīga.	

Tā ir vissiltākā jaka.

That is the warmest jacket.

Tas ir vissiltākais mētelis.

That is the warmest coat.

Es ņemu dzelteno jaku.

I take the yellow jacket.

Tā ir dzeltenā jaka.

That is the yellow jacket.

Tas ir dzeltenais dīvāns.

That is the yellow sofa.

Jaka man piestāv.

The jacket suits me.

Es esmu priecīga (priecīgs).

I am happy.

Jūs esat priecīga (priecīgs).

You are happy, polite.

GRAMMAR**G1) NOTICE THE USEFUL PATTERN**

Underline the form practised in this unit.

- 1 Tā ir vissiltākā jaka.

Meaning: That is the warmest jacket.

- 2 Tas ir vissiltākais mētelis.

Meaning: That is the warmest coat.

- 3 Es ņemu dzelteno jaku.

Meaning: I take the yellow jacket.

- 4 Tā ir dzeltenā jaka.

Meaning: That is the yellow jacket.

G2) CHOOSE THE FORM

Use the English meaning and the pattern in this unit.

1 Tā ir _____ jaka.

- ☐ A vissiltākie
- ☐ B vissiltākā
- ☐ C vissiltākais

Meaning: That is the warmest jacket.

2 Tas ir _____ mētelis.

- ☐ A vissiltākās
- ☐ B vissiltākais
- ☐ C vissiltākā

Meaning: That is the warmest coat.

3 Es ņemu _____ jaku.

- ☐ A dzeltenais
- ☐ B dzelteno
- ☐ C dzeltenā

Meaning: I take the yellow jacket.

4 Tā ir _____ jaka.

- ☐ A dzeltenais
- ☐ B dzelteno
- ☐ C dzeltenā

Meaning: That is the yellow jacket.

5 Tas ir _____ dīvāns.

- ☐ A dzeltenais
- ☐ B dzelteno
- ☐ C dzeltenā

Meaning: That is the yellow sofa.

6 Jaka _____ piestāv.

- ☐ A jums
- ☐ B man
- ☐ C tev

Meaning: The jacket suits me.

7 Es esmu _____.

- ☐ A priecīgas
- ☐ B priecīgi
- ☐ C priecīga

Meaning: I am happy.

8 Jūs esat _____.

- ☐ A priecīgas
- ☐ B priecīga
- ☐ C priecīgi

Meaning: You are happy, polite.

G3) COMPLETE THE MESSAGES

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

dzeltenā dzelteno

Es ņemu _____jaku.

Meaning: I take the yellow jacket.

dzeltenais dzeltenā

Tā ir _____ jaka.

Meaning: That is the yellow jacket.

dzeltenā dzeltenais

Tas ir _____ dīvāns.

Meaning: That is the yellow sofa.

tev man

Jaka _____ piestāv.

Meaning: The jacket suits me.

priecīgi priecīga

Es esmu _____.

Meaning: I am happy.

priecīgi priecīga

Jūs esat _____.

Meaning: You are happy, polite.

G4) BUILD A SENTENCE

Put the words in order.

- 1 vissiltākā ir Tā jaka.

Meaning: That is the warmest jacket.

2 vissiltākais mētelis. ir Tas

Meaning: That is the warmest coat.

3 Es dzelteno ņemu jaku.

Meaning: I take the yellow jacket.

4 ir dzeltenā jaka. Tā

Meaning: That is the yellow jacket.

5 dzeltenais dīvāns. ir Tas

Meaning: That is the yellow sofa.

- 6 man Jaka piestāv.

Meaning: The jacket suits me.

G5) WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Choose the right words for the situation.

1 That is the warmest jacket. You say:

- ☐ A Tā ir vissiltākais jaka.
- ☐ B Tā ir vissiltākā jaka.

2 That is the warmest coat. You say:

- ☐ A Tas ir vissiltākā mētelis.
- ☐ B Tas ir vissiltākais mētelis.

3 I take the yellow jacket. You say:

- ☐ A Es ņemu dzelteno jaku.
- ☐ B Es ņemu dzeltenā jaku.

4 That is the yellow jacket. You say:

- (A) Tā ir dzeltenais jaka.
- (B) Tā ir dzeltenā jaka.

G6) CONNECT MESSAGES AND MEANINGS

Match the pairs.

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| (1) Tas ir dzeltenais dīvāns. | (A) I am happy. |
| (2) Tā ir vissiltākā jaka. | (B) You are happy, polite. |
| (3) Es ņemu dzelteno jaku. | (C) That is the yellow jacket. |
| (4) Jaka man piestāv. | (D) I take the yellow jacket. |
| (5) Tā ir dzeltenā jaka. | (E) The jacket suits me. |
| (6) Jūs esat priecīga. | (F) That is the warmest jacket. |
| (7) Es esmu priecīga. | (G) That is the yellow sofa. |

- ⑧ Tas ir vissiltākais
mētelis.
- ⑨ That is the warmest coat.