

Mutations as applied to Adjectives

As we have already learned Adjectives in Kernowek normally follow their noun for example “Chy Bras” a large house.

These adjectives are mutated in the same way as “state two mutations” e.g. if they follow either a Female singular noun or Male plural noun relating to people:

Female singular:

Benen Coth – “old woman”

Gwethen Wer – “green trees”

Male plural relating to people:

Mebyon Bian – “small sons / boys”

However if the noun ends in “s or th” and followed by “t d or p” they are unusually not mutated:

Eglos Teg – “pretty church”

Nos Da – “good night”

Cath Plos – “dirty cat”

Another rule to be noted is that the adjective will not be mutated if a verb comes between it and the noun:

Bugh Wydn – “a white cow” mutates

An Bugh Yw Gwydn – “the cow is white” does not mutate as “Yw” comes between “Bugh” and “Gwydn”

An Venen Goth – “the old woman”

An Venen O Coth – “the woman was old”