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Order of Adjectives: Learn and Practice

Put describing words in the order that sounds right

Read each question. Circle the best answer.

💡 Order of Adjectives

- When we use several adjectives, they follow an order.
- The usual order is opinion, size, age, shape, color, origin, material, then purpose.
- a lovely little old round blue bowl

1 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. two small blue cups B. two blue small cups

C. small blue two cups D. blue two small cups

2 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. an box old wooden B. a wooden old box

C. a box wooden old D. an old wooden box

3 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. a red big ball B. ball a big red

C. a big red ball D. a ball red big

4 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. a leather round brown bag

B. a round brown leather bag

C. a round leather brown bag

D. a brown leather round bag

5 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. a beautiful silk long scarf

B. a long silk beautiful scarf

C. a silk long beautiful scarf

D. a beautiful long silk scarf

6 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. a puppy cute little B. little a cute puppy

C. a little cute puppy D. a cute little puppy

7 Where do opinion words like lovely usually go?

A. after the color word

B. first, before size and color

C. after the material word

D. last, right before the noun

8 Size or color: which usually comes first?

A. color always goes after the noun

B. size, as in a tall green tree

C. neither, any order is fine

D. color, as in a green tall tree

✏️ Explain it! In your own words, write the rule for order of adjectives and one example.

ANSWER KEY

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1 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. two small blue cups B. two blue small cups

C. small blue two cups D. blue two small cups

Numbers come first, then size, then color. Two small blue cups!

2 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. an box old wooden B. a wooden old box

C. a box wooden old **D. an old wooden box**

Age comes before material, so old wooden box is correct.

3 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. a red big ball B. ball a big red

C. a big red ball D. a ball red big

Size comes before color, so big red ball sounds right.

4 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. a leather round brown bag

B. a round brown leather bag

C. a round leather brown bag

D. a brown leather round bag

Shape, then color, then material. Round, brown, leather.

5 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. a beautiful silk long scarf

B. a long silk beautiful scarf

C. a silk long beautiful scarf

D. a beautiful long silk scarf

Opinion, then size, then material. Beautiful, long, silk.

6 Which phrase is in the correct order?

A. a puppy cute little B. little a cute puppy

C. a little cute puppy **D. a cute little puppy**

Opinion words like cute come before size words like little.

7 Where do opinion words like lovely usually go?

A. after the color word

B. first, before size and color

C. after the material word

D. last, right before the noun

Opinion words come first, like a lovely small garden.

8 Size or color: which usually comes first?

A. color always goes after the noun

B. size, as in a tall green tree

C. neither, any order is fine

D. color, as in a green tall tree

Size comes before color, so we say a tall green tree.