

I can order adjectives within sentences according to a pattern. Name: _____

Ordering Adjectives

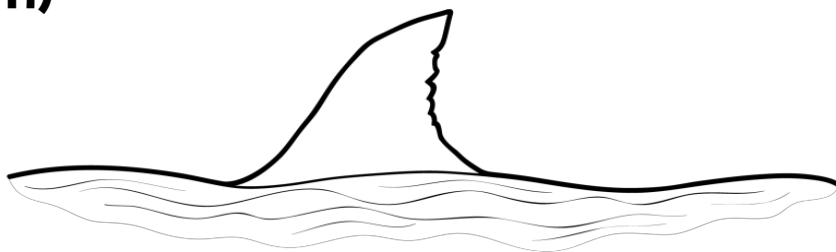
An _____ describes a noun (person, place, or thing). Adjectives add more details to your writing. When using more than one adjective, there is a proper way to _____ the adjectives.

Number
Opinion
Size (or height)
Age
Shape (or weight/length)
Color
Origin (where from?)
Material (made of?)
Purpose (used for?)

Memorize the order by remembering:

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(There are 2 O's and 2 S's.
O's are alphabetical and S's aren't!)



Let's Practice!

Directions: Write 1, 2, 3 to place the adjectives in the correct order on the lines in front of the adjectives below.

| | | | | |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|
| ___ five | ___ red | ___ lovely | ___ round | ___ gray |
| ___ Italian | ___ large | ___ old | ___ thirteen | ___ leather |
| ___ white | ___ several | ___ plastic | ___ sleeping | ___ beautiful |
| ___ green | ___ cooking | ___ teenage | ___ horrible | ___ red |
| ___ ugly | ___ oval | ___ blue | ___ cloth | ___ few |
| ___ tiny | ___ northern | ___ glass | ___ French | ___ wooden |

Your Turn!

List three adjectives of your own in the correct order in a sentence!

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Directions: Circle the adjectives in the sentences below. Box the noun they describe. On the line, identify the category for each adjective.

1. I kept my distance from that cranky old fat pirate.

2. He really enjoyed talking with the one enchanting South American parrot.

3. The cook on the ship loved to cut everything with his gigantic metal cooking knife that looked like a sword!

4. All the greedy pirates ran ashore to dig up the many ancient golden chests!

5. The beautiful tall brown ship was anchored in the bay.

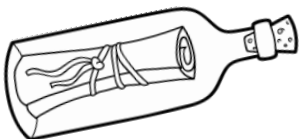
6. The magnificent old pirate flag waved in the wind.

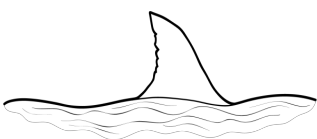
7. The pirate showed me the tiny new sleeping quarters I'd be using.

8. It was time for me to lower the enormous gray stone anchor into the water.

Application:

Write your own sentences using two or three adjectives from different categories in the correct order. Relate your sentence to the image!





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#1-5 Choose the correct answer.

1. What is the correct way to order the adjectives?
 - a. number, origin, shape, age, size, color, opinion, material, purpose
 - b. number, opinion, size, age, shape, color, origin, material, purpose
 - c. nouns, ovals, shape, adjectives, size, color, octagons, material, planes
 - d. number, origin, material, size, age, purpose, opinion, shape, color

2. What is the correct order to list the adjectives below?
 - a. German, black, new
 - b. German, new, black
 - c. black, German, new
 - d. new, black, German

3. What is the correct order to list the adjectives below?
 - a. brown, small, paper
 - b. paper, brown, small
 - c. small, brown, paper
 - d. brown, paper, small

4. Which *does not* use the adjectives in the correct order?
 - a. a slow love song
 - b. a big, black, ferocious dog
 - c. a delicious hot meal
 - d. young, huge, black bear

5. Which choice correctly identifies each adjective?
 - a. *American* is a purpose, *magnificent* is an opinion, *wooden* is a shape
 - b. *American* is a material, *magnificent* is an age, *wooden* is a material
 - c. *American* is an origin, *magnificent* is an opinion, *wooden* is a material
 - d. *American* is an origin, *magnificent* is a purpose, *wooden* is a material

#6-8 Choose the sentence that uses the adjectives in the correct order.

6.
 - a. There was a gray, tiny, dirty mouse running through the house.
 - b. There was a dirty, tiny gray mouse running through the house.
 - c. There was a gray, tiny, dirty mouse running through the house.
 - d. There was a tiny, gray, dirty mouse running through the house.

7.
 - a. I saw a beautiful, new, sparkly toy doll from across the room.
 - b. I saw a sparkly, new, beautiful toy doll from across the room.
 - c. I saw a new, beautiful, sparkly toy doll from across the room.
 - d. I saw a new, sparkly, beautiful toy doll from across the room.

8.
 - a. My mom made me wear this tight, terrible, cotton button up shirt to school.
 - b. My mom made me wear this terrible, tight, cotton button up shirt to school.
 - c. My mom made me wear this cotton, tight, terrible button up shirt to school.
 - d. My mom made me wear this tight, cotton, terrible button up shirt to school.

9. Use the adjectives listed in a complete sentence describing a *snowman*. Make sure they are in the correct order. ROUND, HUGE, OLD

10. Identify the category of each adjective mentioned above.

Round is _____ Huge is _____ Old is _____