

| Order of Adjectives |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ESL-EM |
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| Determiner | Opinion | Size | Shape | Age | Color | Origin | Material | Purpose | Noun | - |
| A |  | small |  |  | red |  |  |  | suitcase |  |
| The |  |  |  | new | blue |  | silk |  | T-shirt |  |
| An | ugly |  |  |  |  |  | wooden |  | chair |  |
| This |  |  | round | new |  |  |  | kitchen | table |  |
| A | comfortable |  |  | new |  |  | velvet |  | dress |  |
| These | lovely |  |  | old |  |  | ceramic |  | mugs |  |
| That | beautiful |  |  |  |  | German |  | sports | car |  |
| Those | amazing |  | art-shaped |  | red |  |  |  | balloons |  |
| A | wonderful |  |  | old |  | Frech |  |  | clock |  |

Ex 1. Put the adjectives in the correct order

1. I wanted to buy a $\qquad$ table. (round/blue/Italian/dining/big)
2. Does Miriam need that $\qquad$ chair? (wooden-small-square)
3. What is this $\qquad$ thing? (red/triangular/leather)
4. Did you notice the brand of that $\qquad$
$\qquad$ car? (green/ streamlined/splendid/sport)
5. William can take care of your $\qquad$ cat. (Persian/naughty/white)
6. This $\qquad$ scarf belongs to my brother. (woolen/long/multicolored)
7. Are you sure this $\qquad$ sabre is Turkish? (curved/nice/steel)
8. Press this $\qquad$ button never! (plastic/red/round)
9. Mike will order a $\qquad$ breakfast. (English/light/nice)
10. This $\qquad$ wardrobe is my friends' gift. (elegantly-shaped /amazing/brown/wooden)

Ex 2. Correct or wrong?

1. Do you want this red sport bike?
2. He wore long Italian old coat.
3. Will you buy me a small pink hat?
4. Matt saw a strange large blue ball.
5. Don't touch that green square box!
6. Who took my Swiss army knife?
7. My mum hates my blue velvet belt.
8. This is a half-year-old English dog
9. This woolen grey scarf suits you.
10. I chose a nice green modern tint.

| Correct | Wrong |
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Ex 3. Make up sentences

1. presented/my/me/white/ball/friend/round/fine/leather/a
2. old/university/your/can/call/you/Italian/friend ?
3. I'm/need/that/wooden/black/sure/l/this/stylish/chair
4. Martha's/violet/outfit/Dylan/didn't/dance/see/bright

Ex. 4 Put into the correct order
Dear Ann,
It's a shame you couldn't make it to the wedding, but thank you for the 1
(dessert / crystal / lovely) bowls which you sent us. The wedding was unforgettable and
everyone looked beautiful, especially the bridesmaids in their 2
(silk / long / cream) dresses. At the reception we had a 3 $\qquad$
three-course / home-made / delicious ) meal and the best man gave a(n) 4 $\qquad$ amusing / nice / short ) speech. In the evening more guests arrived and the hotel provided 5 $\qquad$ (Irish / live / excellent) music. Before we left, we cut the 6 $\qquad$ (wedding / white /iced) cake.
Hope to see you soon!
Love,
Jane and Peter.
Ex 5 Which is the correct order?
A
a) a small thin Japanese lady
b) a small Japanese thin lady
c) a Japanese small thin lady
d) a thin small Japanese lady

B
a) a steel new carving knife
b) a new carving steel knife
c) a new steel carving knife
d) a carving steel new knife

C
a) a new French exciting band
b) an exciting French new band
c) a French new exciting band
d) an exciting new French band

D
a) a blue long attractive coat
b) an attractive blue long coat
c) an attractive long blue coat
d) a long attractive blue coat

