

Order of Adjectives Cheat Sheet

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Need to describe something using more than one adjective?
Check and see if they're in the right order!

1. Opinion

Attitude/Observation

cool, pretty, great,
awesome, fun, lovely

2. Size

Size/Height

ginormous, miniscule,
tiny, wide, long

3. Age

How old is it?

young, old, ancient,
mature, modern

4. Shape

Shape/Weight/Length

round, cylindrical, right-
angled, oblong

5. Color

Color

gray, tan, peach, white,
black, green,

6. Origin

Where is it from?

American, Terran, Greek,
Italian, extraterrestrial

7. Material

What's it made of?

wooden, gold, plastic,
synthetic, metal

8. Purpose

What's it used for?


riding, shopping, killing,
Splicing, cutting


NOTE: Before adjectives + noun, there is normally a **determiner** which may be an article, number, or something else that introduces the noun.

EXAMPLES: the ancient blue deadly dinosaur | a wonderful large round Greek marble table
three beautiful slender sisters | their silver extraterrestrial metal weapons | a tiny shopping cart



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