

You already know that adjectives go before nouns in English. That's one of the first things you learn, but *did you know that when you put adjectives together they need to go in a particular order, or it sounds really weird?*

Don't worry! Star has a magic phrase to help you remember the order that they need to go in.



1. First, though, let's see how you do! ... Click on, drag, and drop these adjectives to the right place (the drop spots are more sensitive on the left):

yellow

10 foot

rubber

new

American

bulbous

fun

duckie



Do this BEFORE going ahead!!! No cheating!!! 😊



Let's see if your answer followed Star's magic phrase:

Odd Short Aunt Sarah Came Over Monday Noon

p	i	g	h	o	r	a	o
i	z	e	a	l	i	t	u
n	e		p	o	g	e	n
i			e	r	i	r	
o					n	i	
n						a	



l –or–
race –or–
breed

First of all, don't panic! It won't happen often that you need ALL of these categories of adjectives, and no one's going to die if you get them in the wrong order, but let's start out with some common combinations.

2. Star wants to buy some stuff. Click on, drag, and drop these into the right spots:

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|----|----------|----------|----------|---------|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| a) | French | bookcase | oak | old | → | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| b) | pizza | sausage | Sicilian | hot | → | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| c) | round | table | huge | antique | → | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| d) | Alsatian | fierce | dog | black | → | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |
| e) | leather | pretty | purse | Italian | → | _____ | _____ | _____ | _____ |

3. How about these combinations? Tick the correct ones:

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|----|--|--|--|
| a) | _____ handsome American 6' man | | _____ handsome 6' American man |
| b) | _____ deep big Neapolitan cheesy lasagna | | _____ big deep Neapolitan cheesy lasagna |
| c) | _____ lovely antique yellow Parisian dress | | _____ lovely yellow antique Parisian dress |
| d) | _____ muslin white beautiful shirt | | _____ beautiful white muslin shirt |
| e) | _____ 10-line inspiring British poem | | _____ inspiring 10-line British poem |

(P.S., some words that seem like measurements are actually opinions, ex., "long" or "huge." I'd put those opinions before the opinions "inspiring" or "wonderful," ex., long inspiring/wonderful British poem.)

4. Drag & drop these into the right spots to describe the sculpture:



5. Now, write one of your own (ungraded): _____

6. Now let's see how you do! ... Click on, drag, and drop these adjectives to the right place (the drop spots are more sensitive on the left):

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