

26 Colours, size and appearance

A Colours and adjectives

- 1 long
- 2 short
- 3 large/big
- 4 small/little
- 5 cheap
- 6 expensive
- 7 comfortable
- 8 uncomfortable



Colours



SPOTLIGHT order of adjectives

Adjectives describing size or opinion go before colour adjectives.

- We say a **big blue umbrella** (NOT a blue big umbrella)
- **large brown eyes** ■ a **cheap black suit**

1 Find the end of each word.

red / green pink purple orange grey dark blue cream brown light blue black yellow white

2 Write your answers.

- ▶ Red and yellow together make orange.
- 1 Red and blue together make _____.
- 2 White and blue together make _____.
- 3 Blue and yellow together make _____.
- 4 Red and white together make _____.
- 5 Black and white together make _____.
- 6 Black and blue together make _____.
- 7 Red and green together make _____.
- 8 Yellow and white together make _____.
- 9 Blue, yellow and purple are all _____.

3 Circle the correct word.

- ▶ My handbag's very large / small, so I can put lots in it.
- 1 I like these trainers, but they're very comfortable / uncomfortable.
- 2 I haven't got much money, so I don't wear cheap / expensive clothes.
- 3 He's only seven years old, so just buy him a small / large T-shirt.
- 4 You need your long / short coat today – it's really cold.
- 5 The good thing about the school café is that it's cheap / expensive.
- 6 You need comfortable / uncomfortable clothes when you are travelling.

4 Look at the pictures at the top of the page and describe the clothes and accessories.

- ▶ a cheap grey tie
- 1 a s skirt
- 2 c shoes
- 3 a l handbag
- 4 a l skirt
- 5 u shoes
- 6 an e tie
- 7 a s handbag



TEST YOURSELF

B Size and appearance

What size are you?
What size do you take?

I'm a (size) 12.
I take size 40.

Is it OK?

No, it's the **wrong** size.
It doesn't fit.

Yes, it's the **right** size.
It fits well.

What's the matter?

It's **too** long / **too** big. 😞

It looks nice/lovely/great. 😊

Do you like it?

It looks awful/terrible. 😞

Yes, I like the **style**.



SPOTLIGHT **too** and **very**

There is a difference in meaning between **too** and **very**.

- Her coat is **very** long. (But maybe it's OK.)
- Her coat is **too** long. (It's not OK.)
- These trousers are **very** expensive, but I'm going to buy them.
- These boots are **too** small – I can't wear them.

GLOSSARY

appearance	the way that sb or sth looks
look	If sth looks good, you think it's good.
nice	good
lovely	very good SYN great
awful	very bad SYN terrible
style	the shape, colour and way sth is

5 Are the sentences the same or different? Write S or D.

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| ▶ It looks terrible. / It looks nice. <u>D</u> | 5 They're too big. / They don't fit. |
| 1 It fits. / It's the right size. | 6 What size does he take? / What size is he? |
| 2 It looks great. / It looks lovely. | 7 They're very short. / They're too short. |
| 3 They're the right size. / They don't fit. | 8 It's the wrong size. / It doesn't fit. |
| 4 I like the style. / It looks awful. | |

6 Complete the dialogues.

- What **size** are you? ~ I _____ size 34.
- What do you think of these trousers? ~ I like the _____ – they're very nice.
- Is the shirt OK for you? ~ I'm sorry. It's the _____ size.
- What size do you _____? ~ 42.
- Is that top comfortable? ~ No, it doesn't _____. It's _____ small.
- What do you think of these jeans? ~ Oh, they _____ terrible. Don't buy them.
- Are the shoes OK for you? ~ I take _____ 40, but these are _____ small.
- That suit looks _____. ! ~ Yes, it's _____, isn't it? I'm going to buy it.
- Did this jumper _____? ~ No, it was _____ big for me.
- Do you like the trousers? ~ Yes, and they're also the _____ size.
- Christa thinks about her _____ a lot. ~ Well, she's a teenager. That's normal.

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