



35 Describing things

You can use adjectives to give your opinion about things as well as to give factual information. You can use more than one adjective before a noun.

-  **New language** Opinion adjectives
- Aa Vocabulary** Shopping and materials
-  **New skill** Giving opinions

35.1 KEY LANGUAGE OPINION ADJECTIVES

Some adjectives give opinions, not facts.

This is a  **great
lovely
fun
beautiful** hat.  It is a / an  **horrible
terrible
boring
ugly** hat.

These are positive adjectives.  These are negative adjectives. 



35.2 KEY LANGUAGE ADJECTIVE ORDER

Adjectives usually follow a set order in English. Opinion adjectives come before fact adjectives.

 **This is a**  **lovely**  **green**  **hat.**

OPINION ADJECTIVE **FACT ADJECTIVE** **NOUN**

Opinion adjectives come first.  Fact adjectives come last. 

35.3 FURTHER EXAMPLES ADJECTIVE ORDER



It is a **lovely big** house.



Natalie has a **beautiful old** cat.



We have a **horrible old** car.



They are **ugly purple** shoes.



This is a **great new** book.



He is a **brilliant young** actor.



35.4 CROSS OUT THE INCORRECT ADJECTIVE IN EACH SENTENCE

It is a **good** / ~~bad~~ young dog.



1 This is a **lovely** / ~~horrible~~ old t-shirt.



2 This is a **boring** / ~~great~~ movie.



3 I have a **lovely** / ~~horrible~~ long dress.



4 This is a **beautiful** / ~~ugly~~ bird.



5 This is a **fun** / ~~boring~~ party.



35.5 REWRITE THE SENTENCES, PUTTING THE WORDS IN THE CORRECT ORDER

It is bag. beautiful red a

It is a beautiful red bag.

1 a horrible That is blue car.

2 This is fun story. short a

3 have a I black cat. lovely

4 ugly He has red an house.

5 They own a great laptop. new



35.6 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND MARK THE CORRECT ANSWERS

What does Rachel have?

A



B



☐

1 Which book is good?

A



☐

B



☐

2 What class is boring?

A



☐

B



☐

3 What does Ben have?

A



☐

B



☐

4 Which piece of clothing is fun?

A



☐

B



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35.7 VOCABULARY MATERIALS

Some words can be used both as nouns to name materials, and as adjectives to say what things are made of. Two of the nouns below change when they become adjectives: "wood" to "wooden", and "wool" to "woolen".



plastic



wood



glass



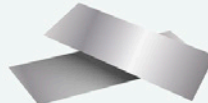
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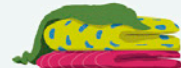
wool



leather



metal



fabric



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35.8 MATCH THE PICTURES TO THE CORRECT DESCRIPTIONS



Oh, no, the blue glass vase!

That's an expensive leather couch.

This is a beautiful wooden table.

What an interesting metal box!

We have two plastic chairs.



35.9 SAY THE SENTENCES OUT LOUD, CORRECTING THE WORD ORDER

We have lovely two purple couches.

We have two lovely purple couches.

4 He wears a blue boring sweater.

1 She owns some wooden beautiful chairs.

5 She wants a metal lamp new.

2 We own don't those plastic plates horrible.

6 He owns a fabric large bag.

3 They have yellow an ugly car.

7 Norah new a leather wants jacket.

35 CHECKLIST

Opinion adjectives ☐

Aa Shopping and materials ☐

Giving opinions ☐

REVIEW THE ENGLISH YOU HAVE LEARNED IN UNITS 28-35

NEW LANGUAGE	SAMPLE SENTENCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	UNIT
USING "HAVE"	I have a garage. She has a yard. I do not have a bathtub.	<input type="checkbox"/>	28.1, 28.6
ASKING "HAVE" QUESTIONS	Do you have a TV?	<input type="checkbox"/>	29.1
COUNTABLE AND UNCOUNTABLE NOUNS	There are four eggs. There is some rice. Are there any eggs? Is there any rice?	<input type="checkbox"/>	31.1, 31.4
USING "ENOUGH" AND "MANY"	We have enough eggs. We have too many eggs.	<input type="checkbox"/>	32.1
SHOPPING VERBS	Ana owns a red hat. Luc sells old clothes. They want new shoes. The hat fits Jane.	<input type="checkbox"/>	34.1
ADJECTIVE ORDER	This is a lovely green hat.	<input type="checkbox"/>	35.1