

11 Describing people

You often use more than one adjective in a row, for example when describing people. In English, adjectives must be written in a particular order, according to their meaning.

 **New language** Adjective order

Aa Vocabulary Adjectives for describing people

 **New skill** Describing people in detail

11.1 KEY LANGUAGE ADJECTIVE ORDER

The meaning of an adjective decides its order in a sentence. Opinions come first, followed by different types of facts.

Fact adjectives also have their own order, depending on their meaning.

OPINION ADJECTIVE FACT ADJECTIVES NOUN

She has **beautiful**, **curly brown** hair.

SHAPE COLOR



TIP

Don't use more than two or three adjectives in a sentence.



11.2 KEY LANGUAGE ADJECTIVE ORDER IN DETAIL

	OPINION	SIZE	SHAPE	AGE	COLOR	NOUN
She has	beautiful,		curly		brown	hair.
He is a		tall,	slim	old		man.



11.3 WRITE THE WORDS FROM THE PANEL IN THE CORRECT GROUPS

OPINION	SIZE	SHAPE	AGE	COLOR
attractive				

short blue young round small handsome attractive blond middle-aged straight



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

She has hair. blond straight short

She has short, straight, blond hair.

4 He has a red beard. curly long

1 She has brown large eyes. round

5 He is a man. young thin short

2 He has blue big beautiful eyes.

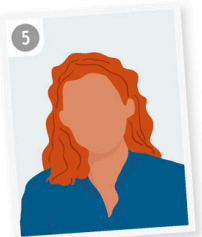
6 She has red hair. attractive wavy

3 He is an middle-aged attractive man.

7 She has brown eyes. round small



11.5 LISTEN TO THE AUDIO AND MATCH THE NAMES TO THE PORTRAITS



Mary

John

Ben

Ruth

Jess

Fran

11 CHECKLIST



Adjective order ☐

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Describing people in detail ☐