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Grammar Exercise – Adjective Order

Exercise 1

Rewrite the following sentences, putting the adjectives in the correct order.

1. Mother made me a big, nice cup of tea.
Mother made me a nice, big cup of tea.
2. We saw a tiny, Chinese, ancient lady.
We saw a tiny, ancient, Chinese lady.
3. This is a paper, annoying bag.
This is an annoying, paper bag.
4. Look at that baby, cute, tiny dog!
Look at that cute, tiny, baby dog!
5. I was wearing an old, beautiful, diamond necklace.
I was wearing a beautiful, old, diamond necklace.
6. They have a massive, old house.
They have a massive, old house.
7. We bought a wooden, huge, brown bookcase.
We bought a huge, brown, wooden bookcase.
8. I have a friendly, guard, old dog.
I have a friendly, old, guard dog.
9. There was a Spanish, tall man waiting at the airport.
There was a tall Spanish man waiting at the airport.
10. We drank juice from crystal, elegant, thin glasses.
We drank juice from elegant, thin, crystal glasses.

Exercise 2

Fill in the blanks in the following passage using the adjectives provided in brackets. Make sure that the adjectives are in the correct order.

Dear Jane,

I am staying with my very wealthy friend. We arrived yesterday on a 1. massive, brand new, private (massive / brand new / private) aeroplane, which was amazing. She lives in a 2. beautiful, huge, modern (huge / beautiful / modern) house. She said that I was staying in a 3. horrible, tiny, dark (tiny / horrible / dark) room, but it is much bigger than my room at home! There is a huge bed with 4. giant, white, satin (satin / white / giant) sheets. My other favourite thing about the room is the 5. antique, oval, gold (antique / gold / oval) mirror that hangs on the wall.

On my first night here, my friend's father, who is a 6. generous, small, middle-aged (middle-aged / small / generous) man, cooked us a 7. delicious, Italian (Italian / delicious) meal of tuna and tomato pasta. Then we went for a walk in the 8. stunning, enormous (stunning / enormous) gardens. My friend and I sat on a 9. small, white, metal (metal / white / small) bench for a while, to chat. I admired her 10. red, silk, party (red / party / silk) dress.

Exercise 3

Rearrange the adjectives given below, putting them into the correct order.

1. English/film/new/funny/a
a funny, new, English film
2. the / racing / old / car / red
the old, red, racing car
3. round / table / a / small
a small, round table
4. blanket / cosy / my / cotton / square
my cosy, square, cotton blanket
5. giant / the / ancient / tree
the giant, ancient tree
6. smelly / your / hiking / brown / shoes
your smelly, brown, hiking shoes
7. young / beautiful / man / a
a beautiful, young man
8. leather / my / book / cookery / thick
my thick, leather, cookery book
9. tasty / chocolate / some / brown / British
some tasty, brown, British chocolate
10. rose / fresh / a / pink / small
a small, fresh, pink rose