ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Order of Adjectives Quiz: Opinion, Size, Age, Colour

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Explanations

1. They’ve got a ___ car.
✔ **B) big red**
Size comes before colour: a big red car.

2. Choose the correct phrase.
✔ **B) an old Italian table**
Age comes before origin: an old Italian table.

3. I need a pair of ___ shoes for the race.
✔ **C) new running**
The purpose word (running) goes right before the noun, after all other adjectives.

4. Which order is correct?
✔ **D) a lovely small round mirror**
Opinion, then size, then shape: a lovely small round mirror.

5. She bought a ___ jacket.
✔ **A) black leather**
Colour comes before material: a black leather jacket.

6. Choose the correct phrase.
✔ **B) a delicious French cake**
What you think (delicious) comes before what it is (French).

7. Which phrase is correct?
✔ **C) a huge old castle**
Size comes before age: a huge old castle.

8. The garden is ___.
✔ **D) big, old and beautiful**
After a verb like be, use commas and put and before the last adjective.

9. Our cat has black fur and white fur. It’s a ___ cat.
✔ **A) black and white**
Two adjectives from the same group (two colours) need and between them.

10. Which phrase is correct?
✔ **B) my two lovely old cats**
Words like my and numbers come before all adjectives: my two lovely old cats.

11. Which phrase is correct?
✔ **C) a new coffee cup**
A noun used as an adjective (coffee) goes right before the main noun, after the other adjectives.

12. Which phrase has a mistake?
✔ **D) a cotton blue shirt**
Colour comes before material: a blue cotton shirt.

13. Choose the correct sentence.
✔ **A) She has a lovely red dress.**
Adjectives go before the noun, and opinion comes before colour: a lovely red dress.

14. We had dinner at a ___ restaurant.
✔ **B) nice small Japanese**
Opinion, then size, then origin: a nice small Japanese restaurant.

15. Which is the simplest rule for the order of adjectives?
✔ **C) What you think comes before what it is.**
Opinion adjectives (nice, ugly) come first, then facts such as size, age, colour, origin and material.

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