

Order of Adjective

Part 2

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Some adjectives

General opinion

good

brilliant

lovely

important

strange

wonderful

Specific opinion

delicious

comfortable

clever

tasty

uncomfortable

intelligent

friendly

We usually put a general opinion in front of a specific opinion

- That is a nice tasty soup
- a nasty uncomfortable armchair
- Dolphin is a lovely intelligent animal
- She has a nice red dress
- He was a silly old man

We use some adjectives only after a link verb

afraid

ready

annoyed

alive

sorry

bored

asleep

sure

finished

content

unable

pleased

glad

well

thrilled

We use:

Our teacher was *ill*.

My uncle was very *glad* when he heard the news.

The policeman seemed to be very *annoyed*.

we don't use:

~~We had an *ill* teacher.~~

~~When he heard the news he was a very *glad* uncle.~~

~~He seemed to be a very *annoyed* policeman.~~

A few adjectives are used only in front of a noun

northern

countless

indoor

southern

occasional

outdoor

eastern

lone

Western

mere

We use:

He lives in the eastern district.

There were countless problems with the new machinery.

we do not use:

~~The district he lives in is eastern.~~

~~The problems with the new machinery were countless.~~