Adjective Order

- In English, adjectives usually follow a specific order when used together in a sentence. The order is as follows:
 - 1. Determiners (articles, demonstratives, possessives, quantifiers)
 - 2. Observation (opinion, size, shape, age, color, pattern)
 - 3. Age
 - 4. Shape
 - 5. Size
 - 6. Color
 - 7. Origin
 - 8. Material
 - 9. Qualifier

For example, in the sentence "She bought a small, round, wooden box", the order is:

1. Determiner: a

2. Observation: small, round

3. Material: wooden

4. Shape: box



- **♣** Some additional points to note about adjective order in English:
 - 1. Not all adjectives will be used in every sentence. The order is simply a guide for when multiple adjectives are used together.

- 2. Opinion adjectives (e.g. beautiful, ugly, nice, difficult) usually come before factual adjectives (e.g. blue, square, heavy) in the order.
- 3. The qualifier position (i.e. the final position) is reserved for adjectives that clarify or provide additional information about the noun. These can include participles (e.g. fried, excited), phrases (e.g. with a red bow), or clauses (e.g. that is made in France).
- 4. Sometimes, adjectives may switch order for emphasis or to create a certain effect. For example, "a wooden, round box" emphasizes the material first.
- 5. In some cases, a single adjective may actually convey multiple ideas. For example, "hot pink" combines the observation (color) and the qualifier (degree).