

What are Basic French Adjectives?

Worksheet

French adjectives describe nouns — colors, sizes, emotions — and usually follow the noun: 'grand' (big), 'rouge' (red), 'heureux' (happy).

Questions

1. In French, do adjectives usually come before or after the noun?

- A) Always before, like in English
- B) Usually after the noun
- C) Either position works
- D) Never used in French

2. Which is the correct French phrase for 'a big house'?

- A) une grande maison
- B) une maison grande
- C) Both A and B work equally
- D) Neither is correct

3. Translate 'blue' to French:

- A) jaune
- B) bleu
- C) noir
- D) vert

4. Which sentence is correct: 'a happy boy'?

- A) un garçon heureux
- B) un heureux garçon
- C) A or B (both work)
- D) none of the above

5. Translate: 'a small cat' to French.

6. Form the phrase 'three red apples' in French.

7. Build: 'I have a beautiful house' in French.

8. Define: What is a French adjective?

9. Define: Do French adjectives come before or after the noun?

10. Define: What is 'grand' in French?

Answer Key

1. B) Usually after the noun — Most French adjectives follow the noun (une voiture rouge), though some common ones precede it (un petit enfant).
2. A) une grande maison — 'Grand' and similar size adjectives come BEFORE: une grande maison. Most others follow.
3. B) bleu — 'Bleu' means blue. (Jaune=yellow, noir=black, vert=green.)
4. A) un garçon heureux — 'Heureux' (happy) usually follows: un garçon heureux. Some speakers may say 'un heureux garçon' for emphasis.
5. Noun: chat (cat) Adjective: petit (small) Order: noun then adjective Result: un petit chat (petit can come before)
6. Three = trois Apples = pommes (feminine plural) Red = rouge Result: trois pommes rouges
7. I have = J'ai A = une House = maison (feminine) Beautiful = beau (becomes belle in feminine: une belle maison) Result: J'ai une belle maison
8. A word that describes a noun's quality (size, color, emotion). Usually follows the noun in French.
9. Usually after: 'une robe rouge' (a red dress). Some common ones come before: 'un petit chat' (a small cat).
10. 'Grand' means 'big' or 'large'. Example: 'un grand immeuble' (a big building).

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