

Position and order of adverbial phrases

Remember

- Position and order of adverbial phrases: manner, place, time
- Order of adjectives: opinion, size, age, shape, color, origin

1 Check (✓) the correct sentence, a or b.

- a Life developed on land quickly in the last million years.

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- a Strange, green creatures have recently been found on the moon.

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2 Complete the sentences with the adjectives in parentheses in the correct order.

- The fish was a(n) _____, _____, _____ thing that looked like something out of a cartoon. (orange, round, enormous)
- It was an extremely _____, _____, _____ boat. (British, grey, old, ugly)
- I had never seen such a(n) _____, _____, _____ animal. (amazing, colorful, small)
- It was discovered by a(n) _____, _____, _____ explorer. (French, young, unknown)
- The car was a _____, _____, _____ model. (comfortable, German, new, silver)

3 Are these sentences correct (✓) or incorrect (✗)? Rewrite the incorrect sentences.

- Humans appeared suddenly in Africa about two million years ago.

- It's a square, huge, gray machine.

- I've just seen a fantastic, tiny, blue fish.

- She has a Spanish, lovely, old map.

- The Earth rotates at the Equator most quickly.

- It was a spacious, modern, French submersible.
