Order of Adjectives

We often use more than one adjective to describe a noun, and when we do, there is a proper order for the adjectives. The table below shows the proper order in which you should put adjectives before a noun.

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**Directions**: Use the table above to practice putting adjectives in the proper order. Choose the correct order for the adjectives below. Write the letter of the correctly ordered string of adjectives on the line.

1. _______  A) pink short  B) short pink  skirt
2. _______  A) durable, camping  B) camping, durable  gear
3. _______  A) big, fat  B) fat, big  pimple
4. _______  A) clever, old  B) old, clever  man
5. _______  A) flimsy, red, cloth  B) cloth, red, flimsy  purse
6. _______  A) German, dark  B) dark, German  beer
7. _______  A) exciting, young, English  B) English, young, exciting  teacher
8. _______  A) two, full, perfume  B) full, perfume, two  bottles
9. _______  A) tiny, yapping  B) yapping, tiny  dogs
10. _______  A) American, eight, young  B) eight, young, American  athletes