

## Practice

## 1 Put the words in brackets in the correct order and complete the sentences.

▶ 2.39 Listen and check.

- 0 Samira owns a *lovely old French* ..... armchair. (French, lovely, old)
- 1 Tom lives in a ..... cottage by the sea. (stone, little, pleasant)
- 2 We bought a ..... chest of drawers for the bedroom. (wooden, big, new)
- 3 Did Melinda wear her ..... dress to the party? (pretty, silk, blue)
- 4 Their new house has a ..... room. (living, big, nice)
- 5 David gave her a ..... picture frame. (round, silver, small)
- 6 Rembrandt was a ..... artist. (seventeenth-century, Dutch, famous)
- 7 It's one of those ..... machines. (German, washing, expensive)
- 8 Where's that ..... T-shirt you used to wear? (cotton, red, horrible)

2 Read the sentences and choose the best words in *italics* for each meaning.

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| 0 That meal was really expensive!                          | <i>less</i> / <b>more</b> expensive than I expected        |
| 1 I need something a little larger.                        | <i>much</i> / <i>slightly</i> larger                       |
| 2 The weather's pretty hot here.                           | <i>very</i> / <i>not very</i> hot                          |
| 3 I was shocked by that film – it was rather violent.      | <i>more violent than</i> / <i>not as violent as</i> I like |
| 4 I'm sorry I'm a bit late.                                | <i>a few minutes</i> / <i>several hours</i> late           |
| 5 She's quite a good artist, despite her lack of training. | <i>better than</i> / <i>not as good as</i> I expected      |
| 6 This train is extremely fast.                            | <i>very</i> / <i>not very</i> fast                         |

## 3 GRAMMAR IN USE Complete the email with the words and phrases in the box. Be careful, only one of the phrases in each pair is correct. ▶ 2.40 Listen and check.

red big / big red    quite old / a quite old    old wooden / wooden old  
 really good / good really    rather expensive / a quite expensive    very / a bit  
 tourist nice / nice tourist    pretty late / late pretty    lovely large / large lovely

Subject: News from Kyoto

Hi Jordi

Today is our third day in Kyoto. Yesterday the weather was (0) *really good* ..... so we took a (1) ..... trip to a place called Ginkakuji, just outside the city. The place is amazing and has (2) ..... gardens and a waterfall. The garden is (3) ..... – it was built in 1460 by one of the Shoguns. There are lots of beautiful (4) ..... buildings and ponds full of (5) ..... fish. It's (6) ..... peaceful. It was (7) ..... to get in, but then everything is expensive in Japan! It was (8) ..... when I got back to the hotel, so I didn't have time to send you an email.

