

SCENE 8 • GRAMMAR

Un sofá amarillo

Describing nouns and agreeing with them

5 Exercises · Duration: 15 min.

The empty flat

Spanish

A describing word agrees with the noun

A colour or description commonly follows the noun: **un sofá amarillo, una lámpara roja**. The colour agrees with **the noun**, not the owner. **Grande** and **pequeño** describe size.

USEFUL DESCRIPTIONS

Masculine	Feminine	Meaning
amarillo	amarilla	yellow
rojo	roja	red
pequeño	pequeña	small
grande	grande	big
verde	verde	green

Some endings stay the same

Verde, azul and **grande** have the same singular form for masculine and feminine: **un sofá verde, una lámpara verde**. Do not invent a feminine ending for every adjective.

Description with ser

To describe a thing, put the adjective after **ser**: **El sofá es amarillo.**
The agreement stays the same. **Tampoco** means not either: **No es mi sofá. Tampoco es mi lámpara.**

GRAMMAR

G1) CHOOSE THE FORM FOR THE MESSAGE

Choose the right word for the gap.

Meaning: The lamp is yellow.

1 La lámpara es _____.

- ☐ A amarillos
- ☐ B amarillo
- ☐ C amarilla

Meaning: The sofa is red.

2 El sofá es _____.

- ☐ A rojas
- ☐ B rojo
- ☐ C roja

Meaning: A big door.

3 Una puerta _____.

- ☐ A grandes
- ☐ B granda
- ☐ C grande

Meaning: My lamp is green.

4 Mi lámpara es _____.

- ☐ A verde
- ☐ B verdes
- ☐ C verda

G2) COMPLETE A USEFUL EXCHANGE

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Meaning: The wardrobe is big. The door is small.

pequeña pequeño grande

El armario es _____. La puerta es _____.

Meaning: There is a red lamp and a yellow sofa.

roja amarilla amarillo

Hay una lámpara _____ y un sofá _____.

G3) PUT THE MESSAGE TOGETHER

Put the words in order.

Meaning: The house is big.

1 es casa La grande.

Meaning: There is a green lamp.

2 verde. una lámpara Hay

Meaning: The sofa is not small.

3 no sofá pequeño. es El

G4) CONNECT THE MESSAGE AND ITS MEANING

Match the pairs.

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|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 unas sillas amarillas | A a red lamp |
| 2 unos sofás rojos | B some yellow chairs |
| 3 una lámpara roja | C some red sofas |

G5) CHECK THE CONTRAST IN A NEW CONTEXT

Fill the gaps with the words from the box.

Meaning: The lamps are red and the sofa is yellow.

amarillo rojas rojo

Las lámparas son _____ y el sofá es _____.