

# Expanded Noun Phrases



# Aim

- I can expand a simple noun phrase.

# Success Criteria

- I can write a simple noun phrase.
- I can use adjectives to expand a simple noun phrase.
- I can select adjective(s) to describe a noun to create effects.
- I can add expansion after the noun phrase.

# Adding Adjectives



## Nouns

**Nouns** are often known as 'naming words' because they can name people, places and things.

girl  
↑  
noun



## Simple noun phrases

Simple noun phrases are groups of words, including a noun, that make up part of a sentence.

The noun is the main word in the phrase and other words give information about it.

The girl  
↑     ↑  
determiner     noun

# Adding Adjectives



## Expanded noun phrases

Expanded noun phrases **give more detail** than a simple noun phrase.

The tall, sporty girl

↑      ↑      ↑      ↑  
determiner   adjective   noun



## Simple noun phrases

You add **adjectives** after the determiner to make an expanded noun phrase

This adds extra detail about the noun.

**Determiners** are placed before the noun and help to describe it.



# Adding Adjectives



## Noun

**cow**

simple noun phrase

a cow

Noun phrase  
expanded by an  
adjective or two

a round-bellied,  
inquisitive cow

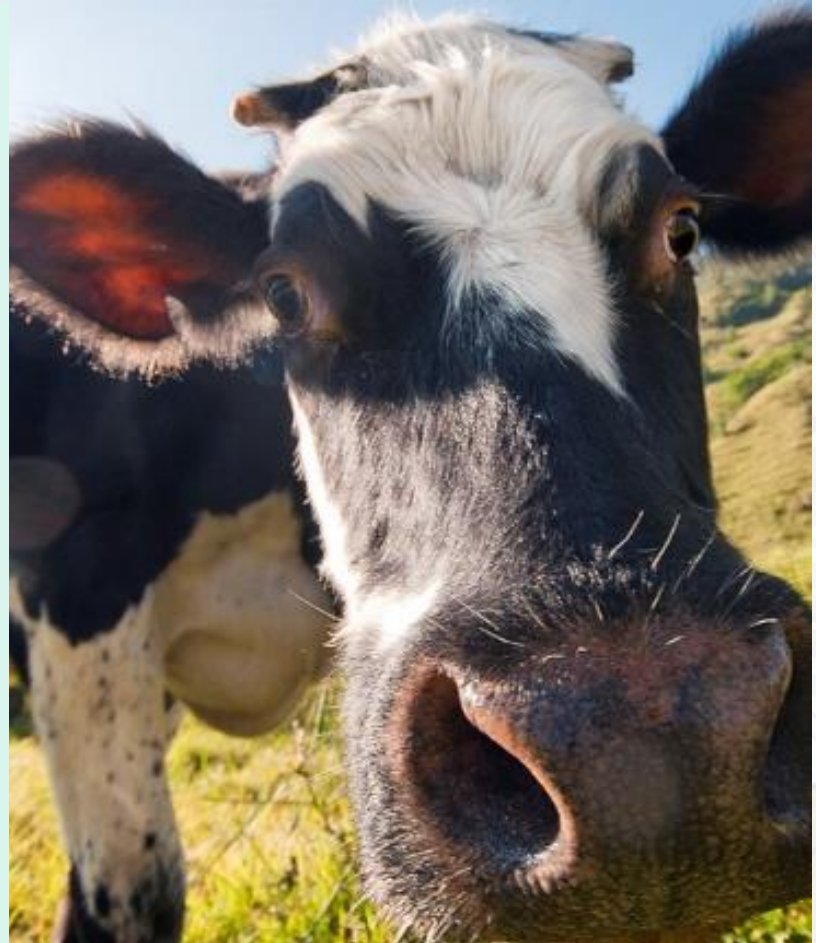


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# Adding Adjectives



<b>Noun</b>	<b>Cake</b>
simple noun phrase	A cake
Noun phrase expanded by an adjective or two	A small, delicious cake.



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# Adding Adjectives

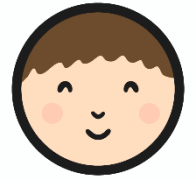


<b>Noun</b>	<b>Owl</b>
simple noun phrase	An owl
Noun phrase expanded by an adjective or two	A large, intrigued owl.



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# Adjectives for Effect



The adjectives we choose to expand the noun phrase can create very different effects.

Example – the house



We could see a **bright, airy** house.

We could see a **dark, gloomy** house.

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# Expansion

Did you know that you can put the expansion before or after the noun? As well as adjectives, you can add other pieces of information that are still part of the whole noun phrase.

**Here are some examples.**

The big, haunted **house** *with broken windows* was very scary.

They knocked on the big, wooden **door** *with the paint peeling off*.

Everyone was afraid of the mean, old **witch** *with the pointy hat*.



# Expanded Noun Phrases Worksheet

Today you must type your answers for the expanded noun phrase worksheet onto your weekly word document.

## Challenges:

Ch1 - \*

Ch2 - \*\*

Ch3 - \*\*\*