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## Step 5: Using Expanded Noun Phrases

### National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 4: (4G3.2) [Noun phrases expanded by the addition of modifying adjectives, nouns and preposition phrases \(e.g. the teacher expanded to: the strict maths teacher with curly hair\)](#)

### Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Varied Fluency)

**Developing** Circle the features of an expanded noun phrase within simple sentences, containing adjectives and prepositions.

**Expected** Circle the features of an expanded noun phrase within sentences of multiple clauses, containing adjectives, modifying nouns and prepositions.

**Greater Depth** Circle the features of an expanded noun phrase within sentences of multiple clauses, containing adjectives, adverbs and multi-word prepositions.

Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Varied Fluency)

**Developing** Tick the noun phrase that would best change the meaning of the simple sentence. Noun phrases contain adjectives and prepositions.

**Expected** Tick the noun phrase that would best change the meaning of the multi-clause sentence. Noun phrases contain adjectives, modifying nouns and prepositions.

**Greater Depth** Tick the noun phrase that would best change the meaning of the multi-clause sentence. Noun phrases adjectives, adverbs and multi-word prepositions.

Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Application and Reasoning)

**Developing** Rewrite the sentence using the word bank provided. Rewritten sentence to include at least one adjective and one preposition.

**Expected** Rewrite the sentence using the word bank provided. Rewritten sentence needs to be multi-clause and contain at least one adjective and preposition.

**Greater Depth** Rewrite the sentence using the word bank provided. Rewritten sentence needs to be multi-clause and contain at least one adjective, adverb and multi-word preposition.

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# Using Expanded Noun Phrases

1. Circle the features that have been used in the underlined expanded noun phrase in each sentence.

A. Brandon sang for his fans in Manchester.

determiner

adjective

prepositional  
phrase

B. Mum drove her new car down the motorway.

determiner

adjective

prepositional  
phrase



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2. Tick the expanded noun phrase that would change the meaning of the sentence.

Sam looks after some scary monsters in the dark.

A. a gentle monster in school

B. several terrifying monsters at night

C. hundreds of monsters in a cave



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3. Use the word bank to improve the sentence below by adding an expanded noun phrase. Your sentence must have at least one adjective and one preposition.

We went on a trip.

to

long

coach

friendly

under

exciting

in

animals

walking

bench



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4. Circle the features that have been used in the underlined expanded noun phrase in each sentence.

A. Gini took the winding path through the wheat fields because she wanted to enjoy the sun while it lasted.

determiner

adjective

modifying noun

prepositional  
phrase

B. Mo went down to the shops for some house essentials as he was running low.

determiner

adjective

modifying noun

prepositional  
phrase



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5. Tick the expanded noun phrase that would change the meaning of the sentence.

Matilda kept the tiny mouse in a box to keep it warm during the cold winter months.

A. small mouse in an old shoe box

B. giant, deadly mouse in a cave away from the house

C. helpless, weak mouse in her own bed



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6. Use the word bank to improve the sentence below by adding an expanded noun phrase. Your sentence must have more than one clause and include at least one adjective and preposition.

I used my time off for a holiday.

to

golden

over

cliff

edge

snowy

behind

hilly

relaxed

middle



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7. Circle the features that have been used in the underlined expanded noun phrase in each sentence.

A. Sandra took the uncovered fire exit on the outside of the building but it turned out it was just a false alarm.

determiner

adjective

modifying noun

prepositional phrase

B. Elisa put her wax crayons next to her other stationery to create a multicoloured rainbow of pencils, crayons and erasers.

determiner

adjective

modifying noun

prepositional phrase



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8. Tick the expanded noun phrase that would change the meaning of the sentence.

The sleeping volcano far off in the distance began to slowly hiss as smoke drifted high into the sky.

A. small, harmless volcano away from island

B. quiet volcano on the horizon

C. bubbling and bulging volcano just outside of the city



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9. Use the word bank below to improve the sentence below by adding an expanded noun phrase. Your sentence must have more than one clause and include at least one adjective, adverb and multi-word preposition.

I saw a band in a concert hall.

In front of

people

shoulders

annoying

at the edge

tall

from the back

squashed

amazing

stage



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### Developing

1. **A: determiner, prepositional phrase;**  
**B: determiner, adjective, prepositional phrase.**
2. **A**
3. **Various answers, for example: We went on a long trip in a coach to see some friendly animals.**

### Expected

4. **A: determiner, adjective, modifying noun, prepositional phrase;**  
**B: determiner, modifying noun**
5. **B**
6. **Various answers, for example: I used my time off to stay in a luxury hotel in the middle of golden sandy beaches but it rained some of the days.**

### Greater Depth

7. **A: determiner, adjective, modifying noun, prepositional phrase;**  
**B: determiner, modifying noun, prepositional phrase**
8. **C**
9. **Various answers, for example: I heard an amazing band from the back of a squashed concert hall but annoyingly, there were still tall people in front blocking my view.**