

Expanded Noun Phrases

Noun = a person, place or thing.

An expanded noun phrase gives more detail or information about a noun. This is done by:

➔ Adding adjectives to describe the noun, for example,

He strolled through **the forest**.

He strolled through **the dark, mysterious forest**.

➔ Or, by adding a prepositional phrase, such as,

The **elderly woman** walked slowly across the road.

The **elderly woman** with the wooden walking stick walked slowly across the road.

Activity

Turn the noun phrase into an expanded noun phrase. The noun phrase has been underlined to help you. Think very carefully about the vocabulary you have chosen – is it the best possible choice to make a super sentence?

Noun phrase	Expanded noun phrase
<i>Example: They lived in <u>a cottage</u> beside the river.</i>	<i>They lived in a cottage with a thatched roof and a crooked front door beside the river.</i>
Once upon a time, there was <u>a woman</u> and <u>a man</u> .	
She put it in <u>the oven</u> to bake.	
<u>The gingerbread man</u> jumped out of the oven!	
Soon, he came to <u>a river</u> .	
“You should climb on to <u>my nose</u> ,” advised <u>the fox</u> .	