

## Introductory Activity



## 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



Discuss this example with a partner.  
Any questions?

### Noun

simple noun phrase

Noun phrase expanded by an adjective or two

### cow

a cow

a roundbellied, inquisitive cow



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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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## Independent Focused Activity



## Adjectives for Effect



Now it's your turn.

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## Review Activity



## Spooky Settings



Recap.

What have you learned so far?

Why do we use expanded noun phrases?

I've learned that we can use adjectives to create expanded noun phrases which add information to nouns.

They make my writing more interesting and can help the reader to build a picture in their minds.

## Spooky Settings



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.

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

Can you work out which part of each sentence is an expanded noun phrase in these examples?

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

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

The evil creature that howled all night was never allowed outside.



Check

## Spooky Settings



Great, can you describe this house using expanded noun phrases?

I'd love to try that in my own writing!

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## Consolidation Activity



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## Consequence Game



- Work in pairs using plain A4 paper.
- The first player draws the head of a monster and passes it unseen (by means of folding) to the second player.
- The second player draws the body, then passes it back to the first player.
- The first player draws the legs then passes it on.

Reveal the monster by unfolding the paper.

Firstly, identify the monster with a simple noun phrase 'the monster'. Create sentences to describe the monster using expanded noun phrases.

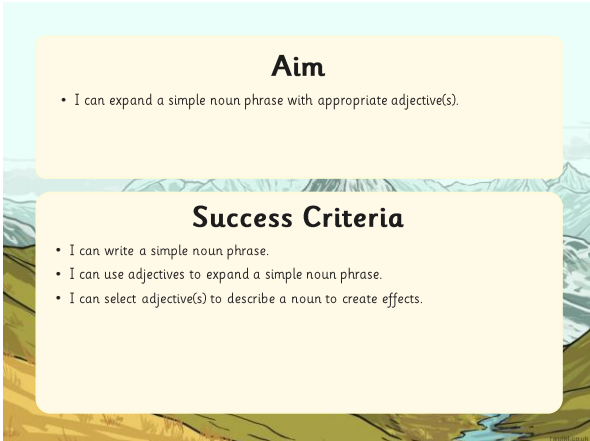


## Assessment



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## Aim

- I can expand a simple noun phrase with appropriate adjective(s).

## 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.

