

Year 5 – Spring Block 2 – Expanded Noun Phrases – Recognising Noun Phrases

Notes and Guidance:

- From previous learning in Year 2 and Year 4, children should know how to use an expanded noun phrase to describe and specify by the addition of modifying adjectives, nouns and prepositional phrases, for example: *'the dog'* expanded to *'the playful dog with fluffy, brown fur'*.
- A noun phrase is made up of a noun and any adjectives, articles, determiners or adjectival phrases that are modifying the noun.
- This step is a recap of noun phrases. Children need to be able to recognise noun phrases in sentences and explain how they have been used

Focused Questions

- Which is the noun phrase in the sentence?
- Can the noun phrase be moved within the sentence?

Step 1: Recognising Noun Phrases

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Various answers, for example:

**Sarah bought a new bag which had a flowery, pink pattern on one
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The **glassy, smooth lake** in the **distance** looked very inviting.

False. This sentence contains three adjectives (glassy, smooth and inviting) and two nouns (lake and distance).

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The adjectives 'mischievous and little' and prepositional phrase 'under the table' have been added to expand the noun phrase.

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Millie is incorrect because she should have underlined:

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