

Varied Fluency

Step 5: Expanded Noun Phrases

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 5: (5G3.2) [Using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely](#)

Differentiation:

Developing Questions to support using and identifying expanded noun phrases within simple and compound sentences.

Expected Questions to support using and identifying expanded noun phrases within complex sentences.

Greater Depth Questions to support using and identifying expanded noun phrases within multi-clause sentences with a variety of structures.

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1a. Underline the expanded noun phrase in the sentences below.

A. The rusty trailer with the flat tyre sat unused on the driveway.

B. A large heard of sheep grazed casually in the field.

C. As the sun rose in the clear, blue sky, the farmer tended to the animals.



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1b. Underline the expanded noun phrase in the sentences below.

A. The tall blossom tree stood proudly at the end of the garden.

B. The fast, red-striped sports car sped off along the racing tracks.

C. The cute, tabby kitten rolled around excitedly on the grass.



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2a. Which sentence below gives the most concise information?

A. Manchester is a northern, modern city with a contemporary feel.

B. The northern city of Manchester has a modern and contemporary feel.



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2b. Which sentence below gives the most concise information?

A. Blackpool is a seaside town with lots of fun and exciting activities on offer.

B. The seaside town of Blackpool has a range of fun, exciting activities on offer.



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3a. Insert the most suitable expanded noun phrase into the sentence below.

tall, athletic boy

boy with no interest in sports

The _____ tried out for the football team and was successful.



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3b. Insert the most suitable expanded noun phrase into the sentence below.

the infectious smile

the sad frown

The girl with _____ cheered everyone up as she entered the room.



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4a. Change the adjectives in the sentence below to create a new sentence.

The shy, nervous boy walked out onto the stage to perform in the talent show.



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4b. Change the adjectives in the sentence below to create a new sentence.

The student with the disruptive behaviour had been sent to the headteacher.



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5a. Underline the expanded noun phrase in the sentences below.

A. The old car with the rusty door had been left abandoned in the carpark.

B. The ravens soared majestically in the clear, cloudless sky.

C. The over-excited, friendly dog circled my legs before pouncing onto my lap.



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5b. Underline the expanded noun phrase in the sentences below.

A. The large, over-grown garden was full of weeds and wild flowers.

B. The injured athlete that was sat with the medics watched over the race enviously.

C. The ancient city of Rome is home to attractions such as the Trevi Fountain and St. Peter's Basilica.



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6a. Which sentence below gives the most concise information?

A. The abbey was old and abandoned and had been empty for years which meant that it was falling in to disrepair.

B. The old, abandoned abbey, which had been empty for years, was falling into disrepair.



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6b. Which sentence below gives the most concise information?

A. Amsterdam is an interesting place to visit because it has a rich culture and it also has a fascinating history.

B. With its fascinating history and rich culture, Amsterdam is said to be an interesting place to visit.



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7a. Insert the most suitable expanded noun phrase into the sentence below.

old, decrepit house

newly-built, detached house

The _____ was scheduled to be demolished by the council as it was unsafe.



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7b. Insert the most suitable expanded noun phrase into the sentence below.

round, brilliant cut diamond

damaged, dull diamond

The ring with the _____ was bought by the gentleman who wanted to propose to his partner.



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8a. Change the adjectives in the sentence below to create a new sentence.

The newly-qualified pilot landed the plane safely despite the dangerous weather conditions.



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8b. Change the adjectives in the sentence below to create a new sentence.

The tall girl with the athletic frame smiled happily as she took to the podium after winning first place.



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9a. Underline the expanded noun phrases in the sentences below.

A. An almighty roar came from the fierce lion, which was stalking around the fenced-in enclosure waiting to be fed.

B. Waiting for the bus, the impatient commuters took shelter from the unexpected, freezing rain drops that battered the ground relentlessly.



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9b. Underline the expanded noun phrases in the sentences below.

A. Without warning, a bright flash of lightning lit up the sky and was followed by a deafening crack of thunder that shook the house.

B. The derelict building with the broken windows and cracked brickwork was the scariest place that the children had ever dared to venture.



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10a. Which sentence below gives the most concise information?

A. Known as 'The City that Never Sleeps', New York is a fast-paced and bustling city with plenty of attractions to visit including the well-known Statue of Liberty.

B. New York is a fast-paced city that is bustling and has lots of attractions to visit, which is why it is known as 'The City that Never Sleeps'.



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10b. Which sentence below gives the most concise information?

A. After learning about it in school many years ago, I was excited for my trip to the historic city of Athens and I was looking forward to learning more about it.

B. I was excited to go on a trip to Athens as I had learned about it in school many years ago and I was looking forward to learning more about the ancient and historic city.



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11a. Insert the most suitable expanded noun phrase into the sentence below.

sweltering hot sun

breezy, cool weather

Sweating, the children decided to cool down from the _____ with an ice-cold drink from the freezer.



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11b. Insert the most suitable expanded noun phrase into the sentence below.

over-excited, noisy

quiet, nervous

Waiting for the coach to arrive, the _____ children, who were going on a school trip, chatted happily.



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12a. Change the adjectives in the sentence below to create a new sentence.

Before setting off, we made sure that we packed a selection of tasty sandwiches and a some cold, fresh drinks for the trip.



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12b. Change the adjectives in the sentence below to create a new sentence.

Due to the severe weather conditions, the disappointed students had to abandon the school trip until a later date.



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B: A large heard of sheep grazed casually in the field.
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- 2a. Sentence A
- 3a. tall, athletic boy
- 4a. The confident, enthusiastic boy walked out onto the stage to perform in the talent show.

Expected

- 5a. A: The old car with the rusty door had been left abandoned in the carpark.
B: The ravens soared majestically in the clear, cloudless sky.
C: The over-excited, friendly dog circled my legs before pouncing onto my lap.
- 6a. Sentence B.
- 7a. old, decrepit house
- 8a. Various possible answers, for example: The experienced pilot landed the plane safely despite the treacherous weather conditions.

Greater Depth

- 9a. A: An almighty roar came from the fierce lion, which was stalking around the fenced-in enclosure waiting to be fed.
B: Waiting for the bus, the impatient commuters took shelter from the unexpected, freezing rain drops that battered the ground relentlessly.
- 10a. Sentence A
- 11a. sweltering hot sun.
- 12a. Various possible answers, for example: Before setting off, we made sure that we packed a range of different sandwiches and a some cool, fizzy drinks for the trip.

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Developing

- 1b. A: The tall blossom tree stood proudly at the end of the garden.
B: The fast, red-striped sports car sped off along the racing tracks.
C: The cute, tabby kitten rolled around excitedly on the grass.
- 2b. Sentence B
- 3b. the infectious smile
- 4b. The student with the impeccable behaviour had been sent to the headteacher.

Expected

- 5b. A: The large, over-grown garden was full of weeds and wild flowers.
B: The injured athlete that was sat with the medics watched over the race enviously.
C: The ancient city of Rome is home to attractions such as the Trevi Fountain and St. Peter's Basilica.
- 6b. Sentence B
- 7b. round, brilliant cut diamond
- 8b. Various possible answers, for example: The lanky girl with the petite frame smiled happily as she took to the podium after winning first place.

Greater Depth

- 9b. A: Without warning, a bright flash of lightning lit up the sky and was followed by a deafening crack of thunder that shook the house.
B: The derelict building with the broken windows and cracked brickwork was the scariest place that the children had ever dared to venture.
- 10b. Sentence A
- 11b. over-excited, noisy
- 12b. Due to the adverse weather conditions, the upset students had to abandon the school trip until a later date.