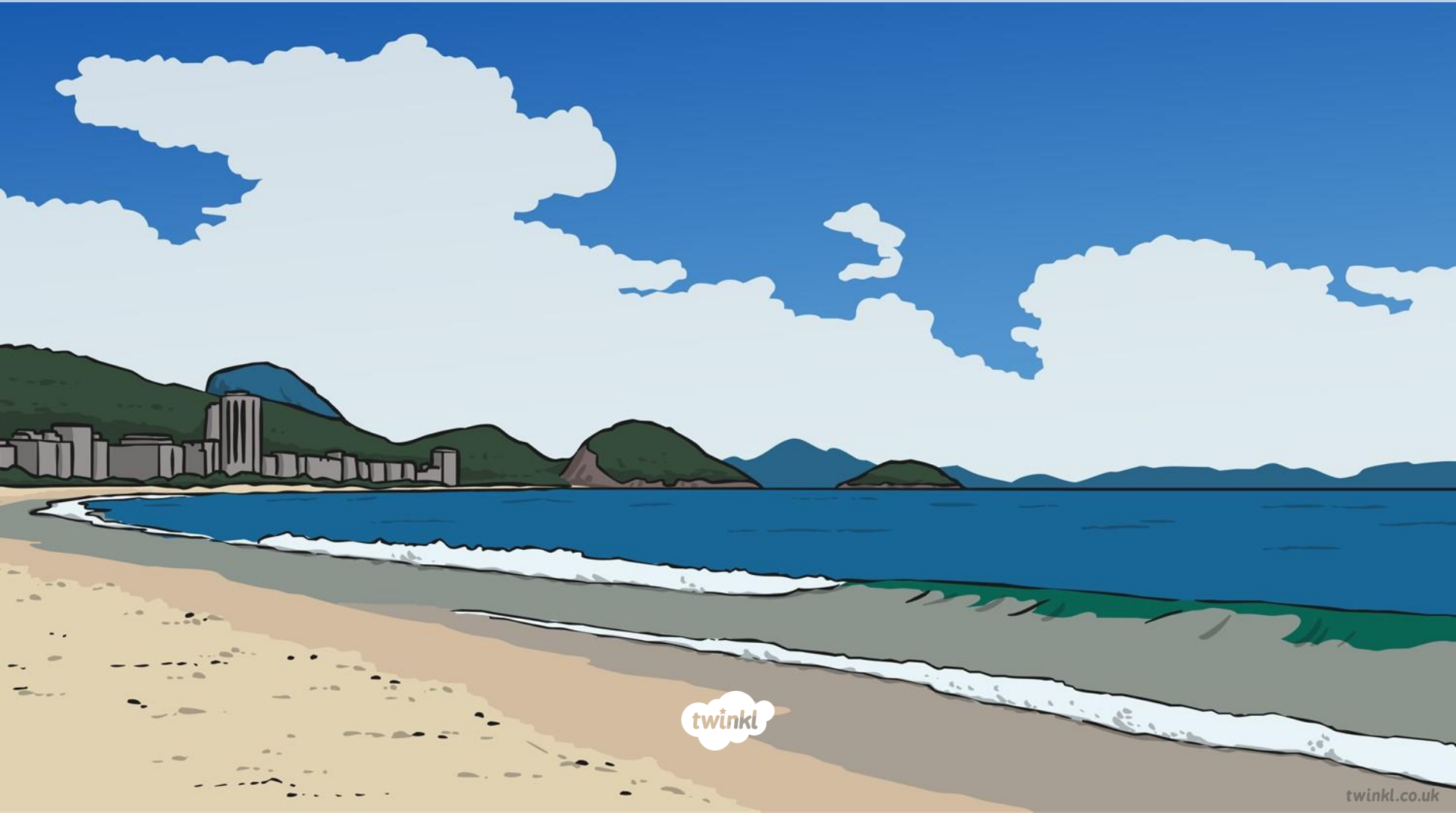


Expanded Noun Phrases



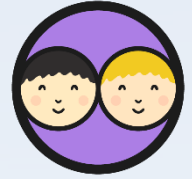
Aim

- I can use expanded noun phrases to add extra details to my writing.

Success Criteria

- I can identify nouns and noun phrases.
- I can add adjectives to nouns to create expanded noun phrases.
- I can use expanded noun phrases in my writing.

What is a Noun Phrase?



Can you remember what a noun is?

In your pairs, find the noun/nouns in each of these sentences:

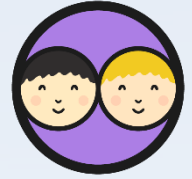
The boy loved playing football.

The horses galloped across the field.

The witch was creating a potion.



Expanded Noun Phrases



Noun phrases can be very short:

a pen

the girl

Quite often in our writing we need to add more details so that our readers know exactly what we are writing about.

a purple pen

a young girl

When we add more details to our noun phrases they become expanded noun phrases.

Expanded Noun Phrases



One of the easiest ways to expand a noun phrase is to add an adjective before the noun:

a young man

the blue butterfly

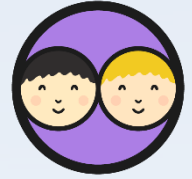
To expand the noun phrase further, we can add another adjective:

a young, handsome man

the beautiful, blue butterfly



Expanded Noun Phrases



Can you expand these noun phrases by adding an adjective?

A _____ car.

A _____ house.

The _____ road.

Can you expand the noun phrases further by adding another adjective to each of them?

Spot the Noun Phrase

A noun phrase is a group of words that have a noun as a key word:

the year two class

the girl

Expanded noun phrases help us to make our writing more detailed and specific. Without these, our writing would be more difficult to understand and not as interesting.

the well behaved year two class

the polite, young girl

Can you find the expanded noun phrases in this sentence?

The mischievous, young girl climbed the old oak tree.



Spot the Noun Phrase

Expanded Noun Phrase Hunt

I can identify expanded noun phrases.

1. Read the short story below with your partner. Can you find the expanded noun phrases in the story? When you find them, highlight them and copy them into the table on the Example Sheet.

Amira jumped out of her warm, comfortable bed and ran to the frozen window. The soft, crisp snow covered the long grass. Amira squealed with delight and darted from her bedroom. She ran across the short hallway to her parents' room and knocked on the door. Her mum came to the door. Amira explained about the snow and her and her mum quickly put on their warm, winter clothes.

They ran out into the cold, sunny morning. The deep snow came all the way to the top of Amira's wellington boots. Together, Amira and her mum built a tall, round snowman. Amira ran back inside to fetch a woolly hat and long scarf to wrap around the snowman.

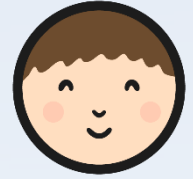
After they had completed their snowman, Amira and her mum went back inside the warm house. Mum made them a yummy hot chocolate and Amira found some sweet biscuits. They sat down in front of the roaring, hot fire.

Jot down the expanded noun phrases you find in the story on here.

Examples of Expanded Noun Phrases

Read the story from the Expanded Noun Phrase Hunt Activity and underline as many expanded noun phrases as you can then share your answers with your family.

Using Expanded Noun Phrases



Expanded noun phrases help us to make our writing more detailed and specific. Without these, our writing would be more difficult to understand and not as interesting.

Look at this sentence: *The boy sat on the chair.*

Which of these pictures does the sentence match? Why is it difficult to match them up?



This sentence has been written with expanded noun phrases. Can you match it to the correct picture now?


The young, dark haired boy sat on the blue chair.

Using Expanded Noun Phrases


★ Using Expanded Noun Phrases

I can add adjectives to nouns to create expanded noun phrases.


1. Write a sentence using an expanded noun phrase to describe each picture. The first one has been done for you.

a) 

excited	girl
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b) 

boy	young
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c) 

young	girl
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a)  _____


b)  _____


c)  _____

★ Using Expanded Noun Phrases

I can add adjectives to nouns to create expanded noun phrases.

1. Write a sentence using an expanded noun phrase to describe each picture. Remember you can use more than one expanded noun phrase in each sentence. The first one has been done for you.

a)  The excited, young girl slid down the tall, slippery slide.

b)  _____

c)  _____

Can you write a sentence to describe each picture using an expanded noun phrase?