

Adventures with Adjectives: The Jungle Expedition

Learning objective: To identify and use a range of adjectives to add detail and description to writing.

Read the story below about Max the monkey. Then, complete the tasks to show how adjectives can bring a story to life.

Max the monkey swung through the forest. He looked at the tall trees and the green leaves. He saw a bright river and a small stone. Max felt happy as he explored the wild jungle. He wanted to find a hidden treasure, so he looked under a heavy log and behind a thick bush.

Word bank: vibrant · gigantic · cautious · enormous · shimmering · dense · playful

1. Find three adjectives in the passage that describe objects or places. Write them below. (3 marks)

2. Look at the sentence: 'He saw a bright river and a small stone.' Rewrite this sentence using two more exciting adjectives from the word bank to replace 'bright' and 'small'. (2 marks)

3. Max is described as 'happy' in the story. Can you think of two more precise adjectives to describe how Max might feel while searching for treasure? (2 marks)

4. Why do authors use adjectives? Explain your answer in one full sentence. (2 marks)

5. Choose one noun from the passage (e.g., 'trees', 'river', 'log') and write two interesting adjectives that could describe it. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey in the jungle. Label at least four parts of your drawing using noun phrases that include an adjective (e.g., 'curly tail', 'giant leaves').



Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph (3-4 sentences) describing a magical jungle fruit Max might find. Use at least four ambitious adjectives to describe its colour, size, texture, and taste.