

Describing Our World with Max the Monkey

Learning objective: To use expanded noun phrases to add detail to my writing.

Max the Monkey is exploring the jungle. Help him describe what he sees by using expanded noun phrases. Remember: An expanded noun phrase adds extra detail to a noun using adjectives and a prepositional phrase (e.g., The tall, green tree in the sunny forest). Use the word bank to help you.

Max the monkey climbed up the tall, leafy tree in the middle of the jungle.

Word bank: sparkling · enormous · furry · bright · with · under · beside · behind · friendly · golden

1. Describe the monkey. Start with: The [adjective] monkey with [prepositional phrase]... (2 marks)

2. Describe the fruit Max finds. Start with: He picked a [adjective] piece of fruit under [prepositional phrase]... (2 marks)

3. Describe the river nearby. Start with: The [adjective] river beside [prepositional phrase] looked cool. (2 marks)

4. Describe the flowers. Start with: Bright, [adjective] flowers with [prepositional phrase] grew in the grass. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Can you write one more sentence about a bird using an expanded noun phrase?