

Max's Grammar Adventure: The Character Profile

Learning objective: To use expanded noun phrases, relative clauses, and cohesive devices to describe a character.

Max the monkey is looking for a new friend for his jungle adventure. Use this template to create an original character. As you write, try to include an expanded noun phrase (e.g., 'the fluffy, golden-furred monkey') and a relative clause (e.g., 'who loved solving puzzles') to add detail to your descriptions.

Word bank: adjective · relative clause · expanded noun phrase · conjunction · preposition · who · which · whose

1. Character Name and Appearance: Write the name of your character. Describe what they look like using at least two expanded noun phrases. (3 marks)

2. The Relative Clause Challenge: Describe a special talent or hobby your character has. Include a relative clause starting with 'who', 'which', or 'whose'. (3 marks)

3. Setting the Scene: Where does your character live? Use a prepositional phrase to describe their home (e.g., 'deep inside the hollow trunk'). (2 marks)

4. Character Personality: Describe how your character acts. Use a conjunction (e.g., 'although', 'because', 'since') to connect two ideas about their personality. (3 marks)

5. Max's Math Puzzle: If this character wanted to buy a compass for £4.50 and a map for £3.75, how much would they spend in total? Show your working. (2 marks)

Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph explaining why Max the monkey would enjoy going on an adventure with your new character. Can you include a fronted adverbial at the start of one of your sentences?