

Mastering Expanded Noun Phrases with Max the Monkey

Learning objective: To understand and create expanded noun phrases by adding adjectives to nouns to add detail.

Read the front of each flashcard to identify the noun phrase. Flip the card to see how Max the Monkey has 'expanded' it by adding descriptive adjectives. Practice adding your own adjectives to the nouns provided.

What is a noun?

A noun is a person, place, or thing.

What is an adjective?

An adjective is a word that describes a noun.

Expand this noun phrase: The monkey

The cheeky, energetic monkey.

Expand this noun phrase: The banana

The yellow, curved, delicious banana.

Expand this noun phrase: The tree

The tall, leafy, ancient tree.

Identify the adjectives in: The bright, orange sun.

Bright, orange.

Identify the adjectives in: The soft, fluffy clouds.

Soft, fluffy.

Why do we use expanded noun phrases?

To provide more detail and make our writing more interesting.

Expand this noun phrase: A book

An exciting, colourful, dusty book.

Expand this noun phrase: A river

A cold, sparkling, winding river.

True or False: An expanded noun phrase must have at least one adjective.

True.

Max bought a bag for £2. Expand the noun phrase 'The bag'.

The sturdy, brown, leather bag.