

Varied Fluency

Step 1: Identifying Noun Phrases

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 4: (4G3.2) [Noun phrases expanded by the addition of modifying adjectives, nouns and preposition phrases \(e.g. the teacher expanded to: the strict maths teacher with curly hair\)](#)

Differentiation:

Developing Questions to support identifying noun phrases in single clause sentences. Noun phrases are expanded with adjectives.

Expected Questions to support identifying noun phrases in multi-clause sentences. Noun phrases are expanded with adjectives.

Greater Depth Questions to support identifying noun phrases in multi-clause sentences. Noun phrases are expanded with adjectives, adverbs and/or prepositions.

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1a. Circle the nouns in the sentences below.

The hard toffee was difficult to chew.

My teeth ached from the cold ice cream.



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1b. Circle the nouns in the sentences below.

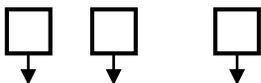
I sat next to the warm fire.

The bright flames flickered.



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2a. Tick the adjective in the sentence below.



I found a blue ball to play with.



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2b. Tick the adjective in the sentence below.



Grey smoke billowed out of the



chimney.



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3a. Underline the noun phrase in the sentence below.

Before tea, I washed my dirty hands.



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3b. Underline the noun phrase in the sentence below.

I had some hot soup for dinner.



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4a. Which sentence contains a noun phrase?

A. Bees and wasps can both sting you.

B. Look at the colourful insects!



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4b. Which sentence contains a noun phrase?

A. Here is some cold milk to drink.

B. Cheese and cream are made from milk.



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5a. Circle the nouns in the sentences below.

The yellow moon was shining and the bright stars were sparkling.

My red skin itched when it was burned by the hot sun.



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5b. Circle the nouns in the sentences below.

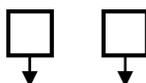
The small boy was tired so he climbed onto his soft bed for a nap.

A kind lady stopped to help when the young girl tripped over.

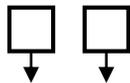


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6a. Tick the adjectives in the sentence below.



I picked up a red apple and took a

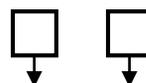


big bite.



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6b. Tick the adjectives in the sentence below.



There was a loud noise so I looked



out of the open window.



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7a. Underline the noun phrases in the sentence below.

The hungry dog dug a big hole and hid bones in it.



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7b. Underline the noun phrases in the sentence below.

After a long bath, I got dry with a fluffy towel and put on pyjamas.



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8a. Which sentence contains a noun phrase?

A. Mum's arms ached because she had been carrying a heavy bag.

B. Trees shed leaves when it is autumn.



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8b. Which sentence contains a noun phrase?

A. Bells ring and lights flash to warn us of danger.

B. I heard a loud siren and saw flashing lights.



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9a. Circle the nouns in the sentences below.

An old lady with grey hair sat next to me on a very crowded bus and we chatted.

I got off the surprisingly busy coach and walked down my street, trying to avoid the cracks in the pavement.



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9b. Circle the nouns in the sentences below.

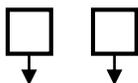
I am going to see some truly lovely people after school and I think they might have baked a cake for me.

The close friends I went to visit had prepared some beautifully decorated biscuits!.

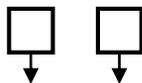


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10a. Tick the adjectives in the sentence below.



The rusty gate was locked so I had



to climb over the very high wall.



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10b. Tick the adjectives in the sentence below.



The small, ferocious dog had a



shockingly loud bark.



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11a. Underline the noun phrases in the sentence below.

A strangely dressed woman turned up but she did not say a word.



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11b. Underline the noun phrases in the sentence below.

A young man with black hair helped me when I fell off my bike.



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12a. Which sentence contains a noun phrase?

A. Snow often falls in January and February when it is cold.

B. The hills near to town are covered in snow so we are going sledging.



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12b. Which sentence contains a noun phrase?

A. Did you know that rain is forecast for tomorrow but that it will be sunny today?

B. The very heavy rain drenched me and I was wet through.



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Developing

- 1a. **toffee; teeth; ice cream**
- 2a. **blue**
- 3a. **my dirty hands**
- 4a. **B**

Expected

- 5a. **moon; stars; skin; sun**
- 6a. **red; big**
- 7a. **The hungry dog; a big hole**
- 8a. **A**

Greater Depth

- 9a. **lady; hair; bus; coach; street; cracks; pavement**
- 10a. **rusty; high**
- 11a. **A strangely dressed woman; a word**
- 12a. **B**

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Developing

- 1b. **fire; flames**
- 2b. **Grey**
- 3b. **some hot soup**
- 4b. **A**

Expected

- 5b. **boy; bed; nap; lady; girl**
- 6b. **loud; open**
- 7b. **a long bath; a fluffy towel**
- 8b. **B**

Greater Depth

- 9b. **people; school; cake; friends; biscuits**
- 10b. **small; ferocious; loud**
- 11b. **A young man with black hair; my bike**
- 12b. **B**