# **Expanded Noun Phrases**

An expanded noun phrase is a phrase made up of a noun and at least one adjective. If you list more than one adjective, you should use a comma to separate them.

Have a look at the example below. The boxes underneath explain each part of the phrase:

## lots of delicious, refreshing ice cream

### Determiner

Used to introduce a noun to specify which one or how many: a/an, the, three, most

Adjective
A word that
describes a noun;
monstrous, vivid,
delightful, familiar

Noun
A person, object
or animal;
Steve, garage,
leopard, sofa

# Task 1: Read the sentences and then identify the nouns by typing them into the boxes.

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Sentence	Nouns identified
The hard toffee was difficult to chew.	toffee
The bright flames flickered.	
I sat next to the warm fire.	
Before dinner, I washed my dirty hands.	
The full moon was shining and the bright stars were sparkling.	
A kind man stopped to help when the young boy tripped over.	
An old lady with grey hair sat next to me on the bus and chatted.	
I really hope the cake is covered with chocolate because that is my favourite.	

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### Task 2:

Read the sentences and then identify the adjectives by typing them into the boxes.

Sentence	Adjectives identified
I found a blue ball to play with.	blue
I had some hot chocolate to warm myself.	
Butterflies and dragonflies are colourful insects.	
I like to drink delicious, refreshing milkshakes.	
There was a loud noise so I looked out of the open window.	
After a long bath, I got dried with a fluffy towel and put on cosy pyjamas.	
The hungry dog found a juicy bone and dug a huge hole to hide it in.	
The rusty gate was locked so I had to climb over the very high wall.	

### Task 3:

Complete the missing noun phrases in the sentences below. You need to delete the (type here) part and replace with your noun phrases.

- 1) The (type here) tree was swaying in the breeze.
- 2) I put on my (type here) socks to keep my feet warm.
- 3) The girl put on her (type here) coat and then pulled on her (type here) boots.
- 4) The (type here) child liked to cuddle his (type here) teddy when he was tired.
  - 5) I would like to live in the (type here) house near (type here)
    - 6) I chose a (type here) jumper with (type here)

### **Optional Challenge:**

Create your own sentences or descriptive paragraph, <u>underlining</u> the noun phrases in each one.