


An expanded noun phrase gives more detail than a simple noun phrase. Adjectives are added before the noun to make the phrase more interesting.

→E.g. The **sporty, energetic** **girl**



The diagram shows the words 'sporty, energetic' in purple, with a bracket underneath them and the word 'Adjectives' written below the bracket. The word 'girl' is in red, with an arrow pointing to it from the word 'Noun' written below it.

After the noun, we can add a prepositional or adverbial phrase to give even more detail.

→E.g. The sporty, energetic girl, with fiery, red hair, won the race.

Underline the expanded noun phrase in each sentence:
e.g. They knocked on the big, red door, with paint peeling off.

The castle, with tall, stony turrets, slowly came into view.

Little Red Riding Hood was not afraid of the Big Bad Wolf, with Granny's clothes on.

Snow White knocked on the small, wooden door, with the sign 'Keep Out!' pinned to it.

The handsome, gallant prince, with one swipe of his sword, cut through the thick, thorny bushes.

Challenge – choose a traditional tale and write 2 expanded sentences for it.

Build a sentence

e.g. *The dog barked at the cat.*

*The **small, scruffy** dog barked at the **terrified** cat.*

*The **small, scruffy** dog, with a **red** collar, barked at the **terrified** cat.*

Build this sentence –

The wolf was boiled alive.
