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## What is an expanded noun phrase?

An expanded noun phrase gives more detail or information about a noun. This can be done by adding adjectives to describe the noun or by adding a prepositional phrase to give further information about the noun.

## Examples

She walked through the dark, mysterious forest.

The tall man with the wooden walking stick strolled slowly across the road.

Check out the Expanded Noun Phrases resource in this pack for lots of examples and information.

Read the newspaper extract below. It has lots of simple noun phrases in it and is a very boring article. Please improve the article by expanding the noun phrases. Use the adjectives next to the picture to help you to improve the text.

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On that night, the Titanic hit an iceberg that was floating through the North Atlantic. Ignoring several warnings about icebergs, the captain ordered his crew to sail at full speed which caused several sections of the ship to come apart upon impact. At first, passengers did not realise what a situation they were in. But gradually, water began filling the decks of the ship which could not be ignored. Many passengers placed their life jackets on and headed towards the ship's deck. Faces looked around in shock whilst some passengers began to get into the lifeboats...

Rewrite the newspaper extract with expanded noun phrases. Remember, use the adjectives by the picture to help you create your own expanded noun phrases. For example: 'faces' could be changed to 'terrified faces'.

