

Adjectives

People	Objects	Good Feelings	Bad Feelings	Size	Time
adorable	bright	brave	angry	big	ancient
adventurous	clear	calm	annoyed	colossal	brief
aggressive	distinct	cheerful	anxious	enormous	early
annoying	drab	comfortable	ashamed	gigantic	fast
beautiful	elegant	courageous	awful	great	late
caring	filthy	determined	bewildered	huge	modern
clumsy	gleaming	eager	bored	immense	old
confident	grotesque	elated	confused	large	quick
considerate	long	encouraged	defeated	little	rapid
excitable	magnificent	energetic	defiant	long	short
glamorous	precious	enthusiastic	depressed	mammoth	slow
grumpy	sparkling	excited	disgusted	massive	swift
happy	spotless	exuberant	disturbed	meagre	young
helpful	strange	fantastic	dizzy	mighty	
important	unsightly	fine	embarrassed	mini	
intimidating	unusual	healthy	envious	minuscule	
obnoxious	valuable	joyful	frightened	petite	
odd		pleasant	hungry	puny	
talented		relieved	lonely	short	

Using Modifying Adjectives and Preposition Phrases - to create expanded noun phrases

An expanded noun phrase provides extra information about the noun. You can use adjectives and preposition phrases to modify the description given by the noun and provide clarity in your writing.

noun phrase

your sister
the town
the castle
a man
my bag
some cats
a bunch of flowers
my cousin
the bird
our car
the meal
the tree
an insect
the present

adjectives

colour – red, green, turquoise, silver, gold, blue, purple, white, black
size – gigantic, minuscule, huge, miniature, tiny, vast, colossal, massive, enormous
condition – pristine, shabby, neat, tidy, dirty, tatty, dilapidated, spotless
age – ancient, young, ten-year-old, newborn, prehistoric, old, new
personality – kind, obnoxious, shy, generous, grumpy, mischievous, cunning, helpful, friendly
texture – wrinkly, silky, smooth, shiny, crumpled, prickly, bumpy, crunchy, soft, hard
feeling – despondent, ecstatic, indecisive, heartbroken, exhausted, agitated, anxious, jovial
appearance – muscular, cute, handsome, gruesome, thin, fat, tall, blue-eyed, colourful, hideous
shape – circular, square, oval, rectangular, irregular
origin/ nationality – British, Greek, Norse, Viking, Roman, Welsh, Spanish

preposition phrase

beside the river
near the town
with the ____ hair
in the water
down the road
during the night
through the winter
this evening
on the table
between the houses
underneath the waterfall
before morning
towards home
from my grandparents
because of the weather