



# Expanded noun phrases



# How to expand **Noun Phrases**

Add words before the head noun:

Those beans will be planted.

Those colourful magical beans will be planted.

Several of those colourful magical beans will be planted.

Add words after the noun:

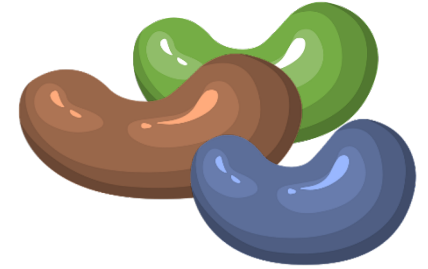
Beans with brown spots will be planted.

Beans with brown spots and a curious glint will be planted.

Or you can do both at once:

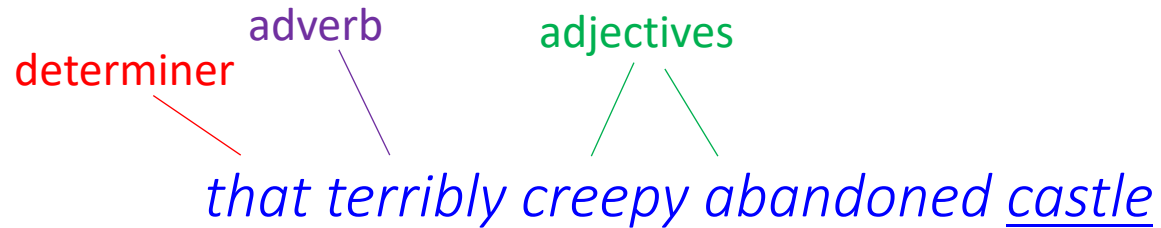
Those colourful beans with brown spots will be planted.

beans



# How to build **Expanded Noun Phrases**

Different types of words, phrases and clauses can all be used in an expanded noun phrase.



castle

*the castle with tall turrets covered in red like the tips of daggers*

**Prepositional phrase**



*The castle, which was hidden at the top of the beanstalk, loomed.*

**Relative clause**

# Changing Perceptions



*The bear roared.*

*The giant, angry bear with teeth like razors roared.*

*The badly injured bear with terrified eyes roared.*

*The merry bear, who was playing with his cubs, roared.*

You can add detail which **changes perception** using **expanded noun phrases**.

These **expanded noun phrases** create very **different images**.

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