

## Noun Phrases/Prepositions – Revision Card

### Expanding Noun Phrases using Prepositional Phrases

We can expand **noun phrases** by adding adjectives, adverbs and determiners.

*the rather ingenious detective bear*



We can also expand **noun phrases** by adding a prepositional phrase after the head noun.

*the bear with a rather helpful magnifying glass*

### Prepositions

Prepositions tell us how words are related.

of  
with  
without  
by  
from

above  
over  
on  
outside  
between  
inside  
under  
below

Prepositions are useful for adding extra information about a **noun**.

### Expanded Noun Phrases

You can develop an **expanded noun phrase** by adding a prepositional phrase.

an old, cloudy bottle

an old, cloudy bottle with a message in

an old, cloudy bottle on the beach

an old, cloudy bottle from foreign shores

Prepositions  
with, of  
by, from  
on, under, below,  
between, inside,  
next to, over, by, in

The prepositional phrase modifies the **noun**.

### Spotting Prepositional Phrases

**Highlight** the prepositional phrase and underline the preposition.  
*The first has been done for you.*

There was a rusty tin with a message inside.

We found strips of canvas from a wrecked ship.

I saw some shiny shells on the sand.

We came upon the whitened bones of a lonely whale.

There we saw intricately lined fossils between speckled  
rocks.

I saw a pool at the entrance to the cave.

We found fronds of seaweed under the sand.

There were delicate anemones at the edge of the pool.

Clinging tightly, were barnacles on the sides of the cave.