Expanding **Noun Phrases** using Prepositional Phrases

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



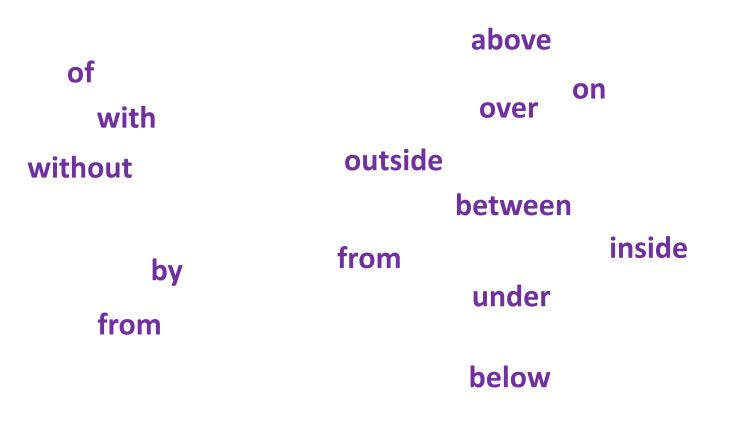
the rather ingenious detective bear

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

the <u>bear</u> with a rather helpful magnifying glass

Prepositions

Prepositions tell us how words are related.



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

The prepositional phrase modifies the noun.

Prepositions

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



Building Expanded Noun Phrases

an old and crumpled treasure map in the trunk

the wooden planks from a wrecked ship

a gold coin with strange markings

slimy seaweed below the waves

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Choose a noun phrase. Expand it using a preposition.