APC English

Noun Phrases I

SVO

Sentences in English have a S-V-O structure

subject verb object

John played with the ball

He was sleeping in the bed

A woman is watching TV

Subject - is doing something (the verb)

Object - (verb) is doing to this

sentences

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SVO subject - verb - object
(Thai, Chinese & English)
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The boy kicked the ball

The boy (S) kicked (V) the ball (O)

nouns - boy, ball verb - kicked

Sentence SVO

Subject

<u>Verb</u>

Object

The boy

kicked

the ball

The boy

hit

the ball

The boy

caught

the ball

The boy

punched

the ball

The boy

threw

the ball

The boy

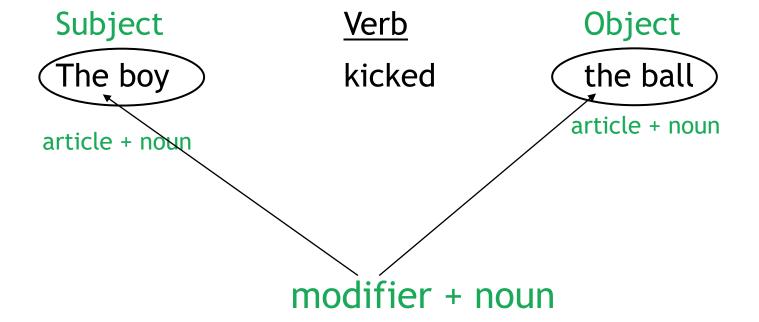
ran with

the ball

article + noun

article + noun

Sentence SVO



modifier = modifies the noun modifies = changes or 'adds to'

noun phrases

- A noun phrase consists of a noun and its modifiers.
- Modifiers include articles, adjectives, and other elements that provide more information about the noun.
 - The happy cat
 - Two delicious slices of pizza

verb phrases

- A verb phrase includes the main verb and its auxiliary (helping) verbs, if any. It represents the action or state of being in a sentence.
 - Is studying for the exam
 - Will have completed the project

verb phrases later in the course

prepositional phrases

- A prepositional phrase begins with a preposition and includes a noun (or pronoun) called the object of the preposition.
- It provides information about the relationship of the noun to the rest of the sentence.
 - on the table
 - under the bridge

prepositional phrases seen already

Noun Phrases

what is a noun phrase?

A noun phrase is a group of words related to a noun The big red ball rolled down the hill

noun phrases can include:

articles (the) - adjectives (big, red) - nouns (ball)

but do not include the verb

The big red ball rolled down the hill

noun phrases

These are the noun phrases

- Article + noun (the boy, the ball, a boy, a ball, an artist, an apple)
- Adjective + noun (small boy, new ball)
- Article + adjective + noun (the small boy, a new ball)
- Article + adjective + adjective + noun
 - the small Indian boy
 - a big, new ball

articles in noun phrases

articles

"| have car"

"I have a car."

Articles - what we know

Refer to specific or general

A blue pen could be any pen that is blue

The blue pen is a specific pen

articles - what we know

definite article the

indefinite articles a

an

Articles - what we know

articles are:

- a type of determiner
- they modify nouns
- a, an, the

examples:

- the blue pen
- John is <u>a</u> good friend
- the big park was fun

adjectives in noun phrases

adjectives:

- describe
- add more information to a word

examples:

- the <u>blue</u> pen
- John is my <u>best</u> friend
- The big park was fun

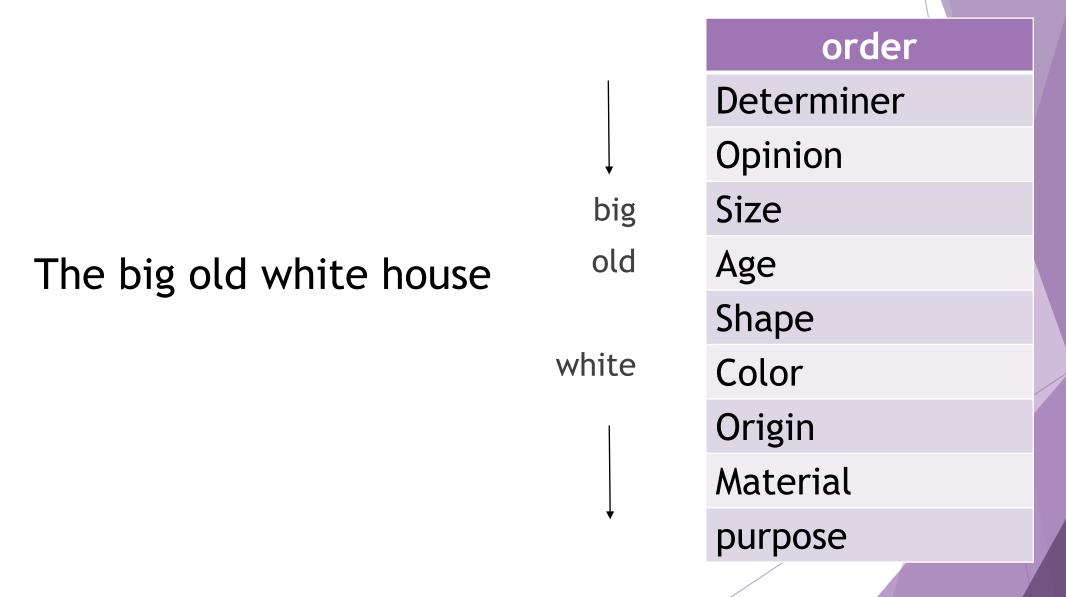
What is an Adjective

The Adjective is one of the parts of speech that describes some extra information about the noun or a pronoun in a sentence.

Size	Texture	Shape	Fellings	Time
∀ Big	 ✓ Smooth	 	 ✓ Angry	 ✓ Ancient
 ✓ Small	 ✓ Soft	 ✓ Square	 ✓ Happy	 ✓ Early
 ✓ Large	 ∀ Hard	 ✓ Flat	 	 ∀ Fast
 ✓Huge	 ✓ Woven	 	 	 ✓ late
 ✓ Little	 ≪Rough	 	 	 ✓ quick
 	 	 	 ✓ Sweet	
 ∀ Tall	 ∀ Fuzzy	 ✓ Oval	 	 ✓ Slow
⊘Tiny	 	 ∀ Wide	 ✓ Sad	 ✓ Swift

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Adjectives - order



add a modifier (adjective) to complete these sentences

1. Thenaughty	child was disruptive at the restaurant.
2. The	horse galloped around the track.
3. I took the ball from the	child.
4. We walked to the	farm on the weekend.
5. The	park was open until the afternoon.

speaking / pronunciation practice

words with initial stress

- big
- dog
- car
- cold
- coffee
- book
- table
- happy
- house
- noisy

words with stressed endings

- a<u>bove</u>
- a<u>side</u>
- be<u>come</u>
- between
- over<u>book</u>
- over<u>flow</u>
- provide
- understand

start or end with stress?

- single
- ticket
- local
- platform
- standard

- return
- direct
- express

where is the stress?

Saturday

Monday

- February
- April
- plumber
- birthday
- September
- November
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- appointment
- receptionist
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simple noun phrase exercises

find the noun phrase

underline the noun phrases

- 1. The teacher helps students with their homework.
- 2. A cat sleeps on the windowsill.
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- 4. A cook prepares delicious meals in the restaurant.
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noun phrases

A noun phrase often includes a modifier like an adjective.

Structure: Article + Adjective + Noun

Example: The *happy* children played.

noun phrases

- 1. The patient teacher helps students with their homework.
- 2. A <u>fluffy</u> cat sleeps on the windowsill.
- 3. The **noisy** children play in the playground.
- 4. An <u>experienced</u> cook prepares delicious meals in the restaurant.
- 5. A red car waits at the traffic light.
- 6. An energetic girl dances in the park.
- 7. A **friendly** dog greets visitors at the front door.

listening exercise

Our House by Madness

a fine time a happy time a small kiss a very good time his Sunday best his Sunday best our house something happening the kids two dreamers Father wears _____ Mother's tired she needs a rest are playing up downstairs Sister's sighing in her sleep He can't hang around Brother's got a date to keep Chorus, in the middle of our street in the middle of our There's always _____ it has a crowd And it's usually quite loud Our mum she's so house-proud Nothing ever slows her down And a mess is not allowed I remember way back then when Everything was true and when Chorus We would have such Such And I remember how we'd play Such , in the middle of our street (Something tells you) Simply waste the day away Then we'd say (That you've got to get away from it) , in the middle of our Nothing would come between us Father gets up late for work Mother has to iron his shirt Father wears Mother's tired she needs a rest Then she sends the kids to school Sees them off with The kids are playing up downstairs Sister's sighing in her sleep She's the one they're going to miss In lots of ways Brother's got a date to keep He can't hang around Chorus Our house, in the middle of our street x3 Our house, in the middle of our Our house, was our castle and our keep Our house, in the middle of our street

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order the noun phrase

change the noun phrases to the correct order

- 1. mountains the snowy are busy this time of the year
- 2. I hope you had happy a Christmas.
- 3. Don't touch boiling the pot.
- 4. table table the tennis is now available.
- 5. Can you afford tickets the train expensive?
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reading & speaking exercises: shopping

1 Read the text. Choose the correct answers. 1 Where does the man live?	Answer the questions. 1 Which shop closed six months ago?
a in a city b in a village	2 When is the market?
c in a small town	3 What does the man buy there?
2 What happened there last year? a The supermarket closed.	4 Where is the new supermarket?
b A big supermarket opened.	5 Does the man do his shopping there
c The weekly market stopped.	6 Which shop is going to close?
2 Which of these shops has the town got? Tick ✓ them.	

a chemist's

a shoe shop

a hardware shop

a newsagent's

a flower shop

a clothes shop

a greengrocer's

a bookshop

a butcher's 🗸

a baker's

Ask other students these questions and write their answers

I live in a small town.
There are a lot of
different shops in the
town centre. There's
a hardware shop, a
chemist's, a newsagent's,
a butcher's and a
baker's. There was a
greengrocer's, too, but it
closed six months ago. And
we've got a flower shop
and a small bookshop. The
bookshop sells stationery
and birthday cards, too.



We've got a small supermarket in the town centre, but there aren't any clothes shops or shoe shops. We have to go into the city centre for those things.

Every Saturday there's a market in the Square. We always buy our fruit and vegetables there.

Last year a big new supermarket opened near the town, and most people do their shopping there now. We always use the local shops and the market. They're more personal and friendlier, but they aren't as cheap as the supermarket. The supermarket is more convenient, too. Parking is easier and you can buy everything in one place.

It's more difficult for the local shops now. The butcher says he's lost a lot of customers, and the small local supermarket is going to close next month. It's a pity, because a lot of people don't come into the town centre now.

Thank you! any questions?