

Application and Reasoning

Step 3: Writing Concise Noun Phrases

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 5: (5G3.2) [Using expanded noun phrases to convey complicated information concisely](#)

Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Application)

Developing Change the adjective in the noun phrase to be more useful and concise.

Expected Change the adjectives in the single clause sentence to be more useful and concise. Some use of prepositional phrases.

Greater Depth Change the adjectives in the sentence to be more useful and concise. Some use of prepositional phrases. Multiple noun phrases within some sentences.

Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Application)

Developing Write a concise noun phrase to describe a picture.

Expected Write a single or multi-clause sentence using a concise noun phrase to describe a picture.

Greater Depth Write a multi-clause sentence including two concise noun phrases to describe a picture. Multiple noun phrases within some sentences.

Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Reasoning)

Developing Explain which noun phrase is the most concise.

Expected Explain which single clause sentence uses the most concise noun phrase. Some use of prepositional phrases.

Greater Depth Explain which multi-clause sentence uses the most concise noun phrases. Some use of prepositional phrases. Multiple noun phrases within some sentences.

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Writing Concise Noun Phrases

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1a. Rewrite the noun phrase below changing the adjective to be more useful and concise.

the wet water



A

1b. Rewrite the noun phrase below changing the adjective to be more useful and concise.

the hot soup



A

2a. Write a concise noun phrase to describe the picture.





A

2b. Write a concise noun phrase to describe the picture.





A

3a. Two children are writing noun phrases.



Ashley

the cold, freezing wind



Bella

the fierce, freezing wind

Whose noun phrase is more concise?
Convince me.



R

3b. Two children are writing noun phrases.



Dale

the juicy, crimson apple



Alina

the red, crimson apple

Whose noun phrase is more concise?
Convince me.



R

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4a. Rewrite the sentence below changing the adjective to be more useful and concise.

The cold snow fell onto the ground.



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4b. Rewrite the sentence below changing the adjective to be more useful and concise.

The fast cheetah sprinted through the jungle.



A

5a. Write a sentence using a concise noun phrase to describe the picture.





A

5b. Write a sentence using a concise noun phrase to describe the picture.





A

6a. Two children are writing sentences.



Jason

The furious, powerful elephant stormed through the jungle.



Alice

The huge, powerful elephant stormed through the jungle.

Whose sentence is more concise?
Convince me.



R

6b. Two children are writing sentences.



Alfie

The yellow, golden sun shone brightly in the sky.



Mia

The sizzling, golden sun shone brightly in the sky.

Whose sentence is more concise?
Convince me.



R

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7a. Rewrite the sentence below changing the adjectives to be more useful and concise.

Despite having very little water, the green, prickly cactus grew slowly in the hot, dry desert.



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7b. Rewrite the sentence below changing the adjectives to be more useful and concise.

Growing longer throughout the harsh winter, the solid, frozen icicles hung from the hard, brown branches.



A

8a. Write a multi-clause sentence using two concise noun phrases to describe the picture.





A

8b. Write a multi-clause sentence using two concise noun phrases to describe the picture.





A

9a. Two children are writing sentences.



Liam

Searching intently, the mischievous, wild cat prowled the streets hunting for timid, delicious rats.



Amber

Searching intently, the mischievous, wild cat prowled the streets hunting for tasty, delicious rats.

Whose sentence is more concise?
Convince me.



R

9b. Two children are writing sentences.



Aleem

The delighted, excited children laughed at the silly, foolish clown, who had just fallen over.



Freya

The delighted, excited children laughed at the foolish, amusing clown, who had just fallen over.

Whose sentence is more concise?
Convince me.



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Developing

- 1a. Various possible answers, for example: the icy water.
- 2a. Various possible answers, for example: the colourful, stripy canopy
- 3a. Bella's sentence is more concise. She has described the wind's strength (fierce) and temperature (freezing). Ashley has only described its temperature (cold and freezing).

Expected

- 4a. Various answers, for example: The glittery snow fell onto the ground.
- 5a. Various answers, for example: The boat travelled across the calm, twinkling sea.
- 6a. Jason's sentence is more concise. He has described the elephant's mood (furious) and strength (powerful). Alice has described its strength (powerful) and its size (huge) but all elephants are huge so this information is not useful.

Greater Depth

- 7a. Various answers, for example: Despite having very little water, the unusual, solitary cactus grew slowly in the endless, lonely desert.
- 8a. Various answers, for example: The beautiful, startled birds flew across the dim, colourful sky, as the lady watched from below.
- 9a. Liam's sentence is more concise. He has described the rats' nature (timid) and taste (delicious). Amber has only described the rats' taste (tasty, delicious).

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Developing

- 1b. Various possible answers, for example: the delicious soup.
- 2b. Various possible answers, for example: the unusual, triangular building
- 3b. Dale's sentence is more concise. He has described the apple's taste (juicy) and colour (crimson). Alina has only described its colour (red and crimson).

Expected

- 4b. Various answers, for example: The cunning cheetah sprinted through the jungle.
- 5b. Various answers, for example: The winding, shallow river flowed beneath the mountains.
- 6b. Mia's sentence is more concise. She has described the sun's temperature (sizzling) and colour (golden). Alfie has only described its colour (yellow, golden).

Greater Depth

- 7b. Various answers, for example: Growing longer throughout the harsh winter, the beautiful, glimmering icicles hung from the thick, leafy branches.
- 8b. Various answers, for example: The old, decrepit buildings crumbled onto the dirty, cracked pavement below, which endangered all those nearby.
- 9b. Freya's sentence is more concise. She has described the clown's behaviour (foolish) and sense of humour (amusing). Aleem has used the adjectives silly and foolish which have the same meaning.