Noun Phrases

Noun phrase is making the meaning of a noun more precise from the words immediately before (pre-modifying words) or after (post-modifying) it.

Two Types

1. Pre-modifying words are *articles,* quantifiers, *adjectives and nouns.*
2. Post-modifying words are *prepositional phrases and noun clauses.*

1. Quantifiers

All, both, every, many, much, some, few, little, any, either, neither, none, each

Choose the correct quantifier:

i. Each / any / every of the buildings is ▮▮▮▮ ▮▮▮▮ by high security fencing

ii. Every / ▮▮▮▮ / much of the proposed bills were refused ▮▮▮▮

iii. Any / none / ▮▮▮▮ to the new ▮▮▮▮ ▮▮▮▮ is likely to come from local farmers.

iv. We can consider few / ▮▮▮▮ / either of the two ▮▮▮▮

v. Few / ▮▮▮▮ / little critics were ▮▮▮▮ by the performance of the ▮▮▮▮ on her debut.

vi. ▮▮▮▮ now export to much / ▮▮▮▮ / some twenty countries.

2. Adjective + Nouns

Identify the adjective + noun form:

Example: An experiment done on a small scale = *a small-scale experiment*

i. Unemployment over ▮▮▮▮ ▮▮▮▮ affect a person's mental health.

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ii. An element of pay ▮▮▮▮ ▮▮▮▮ ▮▮▮▮ appropriate in some professions.

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iii. The ▮▮▮▮ from an ▮▮▮▮ ▮▮▮▮ system that was recently installed.

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iv. Commuting over long distances by train is not as common as it used to be in the UK.

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v. One way in ▮▮▮▮ ▮▮▮▮ in CEOs is take them on ▮▮▮▮ retreats.

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3. Noun + Noun

Identify the noun+ noun form:

Example: Gas that comes from Shale = *Shale gas*

i. Systems that used for defence: _____

ii. A manager ▮▮▮▮ of accounts: _____

iii. Walls made of ▮▮▮▮: _____

iv. An essay about linguistics: _____

v. A ▮▮▮▮ takes place at weekends: _____

vi. A member of the ▮▮▮▮ an Union: _____

vii. A community who live in rural areas: _____

4. Noun + preposition phrases

Put in the correct preposition:

Example: Public protests can sometimes lead to a **change in** the law.

i. A majority of those taking part expressed a **preference** _____ the conservative electoral system.

ii. ▓▓▓▓▓▓ development should form the **basis**_____ a corporate ▓▓▓▓▓ of the future.

iii. The new ▓▓▓▓▓ will make fundamental **changes** _____ the way the company is run.

iv. The US ▓▓▓▓▓ has ▓▓▓▓▓ some **research** _____ high-speed trains.

v. The university is conducting detailed **research** _____ the effects of ▓▓▓▓▓ on children.

vi. All of ▓▓▓▓▓ previous **experience** _____high risk ▓▓▓▓▓ assessment.

vii. The two sides are ▓▓▓▓▓ considerable **progress** _____ finding a ▓▓▓▓▓.

viii. What ▓▓▓▓▓ employer's **attitude** _____ equal o▓▓▓▓▓?

5. Noun + noun clauses

Noun clause: noun [fact] + that + noun phrase

The fact [noun] that *the enquiry raises a number of serious issues* [noun phrase] should surprise no one.

Put in the underlined words into the correct order:

0. Wilson (2019) has *hypothesis Mars criticized that the* is able to sustain life.

_____ *Wilson (2019) has criticized[3] the[5] hypothesis[1] that[4] Mars[2] is able to sustain life.* _____

i. Smith (2018) argues ▓▓▓▓▓ *that the there* ▓▓▓▓▓ *are against* with the data system.

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ii. These ▓▓▓▓▓ *assumption the* ▓▓▓▓▓ *that on are* prices will ▓▓▓▓▓ to rise.

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iii. There *belief that if* ▓▓▓▓▓ *a is* the company ▓▓▓▓▓ its risky investment ▓▓▓▓▓ it will go bankrupt in four years' time.

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vi. The government's *raising that now taxes* ▓▓▓▓▓ would not be in the ▓▓▓▓▓ interest.

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v. It *that is conclusion* ▓▓▓▓▓ *the claimed* ▓▓▓▓▓ in education at one level do not necessarily ▓▓▓▓▓ with convergence at other levels.

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Common nouns used in noun + noun clauses:

argument / announcement / assumption / belief / claim / conclusion / disposition / doubt / fact / effect / idea / possibility / proposition / view / warning /

Noun phrases: **Answers**

1. Quantifiers

i. <u>Each </u> of the buildings is surrounded by high security fencing.

ii. <u>Both</u> of the proposed bills were refused by the public.

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