

20.1 Prepositional Phrases (Adjective) • Practice 1

Phrases That Act as Adjectives An adjective phrase is a prepositional phrase that modifies a noun or pronoun by telling what kind or which one.

| Adjectives | Adjective Phrases |
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| Richard wore a <i>striped</i> tie. | Richard wore a tie <i>with stripes</i> . (What kind of tie?) |
| A <i>red-faced</i> policeman directed traffic. | A policeman <i>with a red face</i> directed traffic. (Which policeman?) |

Exercise 1 **Recognizing Adjective Phrases.** Underline the adjective phrases in these sentences and circle the word each phrase modifies.

EXAMPLE: The house on the corner was deserted.

- Dad made a pitcher of orange juice.
- Have you read Aesop's fable about the fox and the grapes?
- A thing of beauty is a joy forever.
- I wrote an essay about my summer vacation.
- The Belle of Amherst* is a play about Emily Dickinson.
- The bicycle with the flat tire is mine.
- The kitten chased a ball of yarn.
- The tree beside the garage was planted here last year.
- A boy from New Orleans has the seat beside me.
- The capital of this country is New Delhi.

Exercise 2 **Adding Adjective Phrases to Sentences.** Fill in each blank in these sentences with an appropriate adjective phrase.

EXAMPLE: We bought a balloon with pink polka dots.

- The name _____ is Daisy.
- I saw birds _____ perched in the tree.
- Do you have time for a game _____?
- I want that new shirt _____.
- We purchased three tickets _____.
- Tom read a story _____ to his younger brother.
- All the great political leaders _____ gathered for a meeting.
- Cancel my subscription _____.
- I'd like a cup _____ with my lunch.
- Did you figure out the answer _____?