



The Structure of English

NOUN PHRASE

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Type One:

The main word in a noun phrase is a noun or a pronoun.

The structure of the typical noun phrase may be represented schematically in the following way, where the parentheses indicate elements of the structure that may be absent:




(DET.)	(Pre-MOD.)	NOUN	(Post-MOD)
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DET. : Determiners

Pre-MOD. : Pre-modifiers

Post-MOD. : Post-Modifiers

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- Determiners introduce noun phrases.
 - Modifiers are units that depend on the main word and can be omitted.
 - Modifiers that come before the noun are **premodifiers**, and those that come after the noun are **postmodifiers**.

Here are some examples of possible structures of noun phrases:

Noun	books
Det. + Noun	those books
Premod. + Noun	history books
Det. + Premod. + Noun	some interesting books
Noun + Postmod.	books about Indonesia
Det. + Noun + Postmod.	some books on history
Premod. + Noun + Postmod.	popular books on literature
Det. + Premod. + Noun + Postmod.	some popular books on literature



All those examples can fit into the blank in
this sentence:

I occasionally read

Type Two:

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<i>deictic</i>	<i>Numerative</i>	<i>Epithet</i>	<i>Classifier</i>	<i>THING</i>	<i>Qualifier</i>
Articles Poss.	Cardinal Ordinal	Adj. Present/ past participle	Noun Adj. Gerund	Noun Pronoun Inv. phrase Gerund Noun clause	Rel. clause Present/past participle phrase Inv. phrase Adj. phrase Prep. Phrase Cardinal/ ordinal

Examples:

Deictic: definite and indefinite articles: the, some, each; poss.: his, their, John's

Numerative: cardinal: one, two; ordinal: first, second; a bunch of, a glass of

Epithet: describing the quality of things; form, size, colour, condition: oval face, modified model, crying baby

Classifier: classifying things based on type, kind: blonde hair, rubber boat

Qualifier: post modifier, adding information: I saw a man with a black jacket.

Examples:

a long sailing boat with a turbo machine

To say is easy, but to do is difficult.

The book is mine.

Translate any noun phrases you can find:

Preseiden telah memerintah seluruh menteri terkait di dalam kabinetnya.

Yang membuatnya sakit hati adalah perilaku sahabatnya sendiri.

Examples:

Translate any noun phrases you can find:

Dua lukisan eksperimental yang besar dan menarik yang dibuat dengan computer yang ada di pameran seni digital itu memikat para pengunjung.

Lelaki tua yang gendut yang terluka parah dalam sebuah kecelakaan mobil itu dibawa ke rumah sakit kemarin.

Tidak banyak generasi muda yang memeahami filsafat jawa kuno yang berharga.

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