

# Vikings Expanded Noun Phrases

A note to parents: An expanded noun phrase gives more detail or information about a noun. This is usually done by adding adjectives to describe the noun in the noun phrase, for example:

She walked through the dark, mysterious forest.

Or by adding a prepositional phrase to add further information about the noun, such as:

The man **with the wooden walking stick** walked slowly across the road.

Below the picture, you will see some sentences describing this Viking scene. Underline a **simple noun phrase** in each sentence and then rewrite each sentence with an **expanded noun phrase**. The first has been done for you.



1. In the distance, the sound of waves could be heard crashing against the shore.  
**In the distance, the gentle sound of waves could be heard crashing against the shore.**

2. The Viking raised his sword in the air whilst marching forward.

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3. The tower stood in the background, watching as the Vikings marched on.

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4. In his hand, he held a shield which was used for protection.

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5. Below the helmet, his eyes were intensely staring at the monastery.

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6. Ragnor held his shield aloft in one hand and an axe in the other.

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7. Behind the warriors, Eldrid held a spear ready to throw at the enemy.

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8. Canute wore chainmail armour over his tunic.

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Well done expanding the noun phrases above. Now write two sentence of your own about the picture that contain **expanded noun phrases**.

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