

Chapter 10 How Words Stick Together: The Case for Phrases

Answer keys for additional exercises

Exercise 4

- a) [old]

H

- b) [[so] hard [to explain]]

PRE H POST

Exercise 5

- a) [so loud]

PRE H

- b) [really]

H

Exercise 6

- a) (..) nobody be hoopin' *at Rogue Park*. (AAE) *At Rogue Park*, (...) nobody be hoopin'.

H PC

- b) He's putting a towel *in his head*. (ChE) *In his head*, he's putting a towel.

H PC

Answer keys for supplemental exercises

Supplemental Exercise 1 – {NPs}

Find the {NPs} in the sentences below and place [] around each {NP}. Identify the head, any DETs, PREs, and any POSTs.

Example (all {NPs} bolded, labeled underneath. H=Head, D=DET):

Here's [me] [a good pair of [jeans]]. (Kentucky English/SAE)
H D PRE H POST (of jeans) within "of jeans," "jeans" = H

1. [Many talented soccer players] have received
D PRE PRE H
[competitive offers from multiple teams].(sE)
PRE H POST
within “from multiple teams,” the NP = multiple teams
PRE H
2. [They] are tremendously excited to tie [their pink laces for the upcoming game]. (sE)
H D PRE H POST
within “for the upcoming game,” the NP = the upcoming game
D PRE H
3. [John] was a-talkin' so loud my [eardrums] hurt. (AE)
H H
4. [He] was really a-starin' at [the picture]. (AE)
H D H
5. [Alls] I want is [new shoes]. (ME)
H PRE H
6. [They] are leaving on [a great adventure]; [you] should go with. (ME)
H D PRE H H
7. Here's [you] [a piece of pizza]. (Kentucky English/SAE)
H D H POST
within “of pizza”: NP = pizza
H
8. Looks like [Android Developers] are less happier when compared
PRE H

to [iPhone Developers]. (AE/AAE)
PRE H
9. [She] is [the oldest player on the team]. (sE)
H D PRE H POST
within “on the team,” the NP = the team
D H

Supplemental Exercise 2 – {AdjPs}

Find the {ADJPs} in the sentences below. Identify the head, any PREs and any POSTs.

1. It was in the apple that the witch had gave Snow White that wasn't [poisonous]. (ChE)
H
2. These were [exceptionally expensive] when they barely came out. (ChE)

PRE H

3. Many [talented] soccer players have received [competitive] offers
H H

from multiple teams. (sE)

4. They are [tremendously excited to tie their pink laces] for the [upcoming] game. (sE)
PRE H POST H
within “tremendously excited to tie their pink laces”, AdjP = pink
H

5. Alls I want is [new] shoes. (ME)
H

6. Here’s me a [good] pair of jeans. (Kentucky English/SAE)
H

7. Looks like Android Developers are [less happier] when compared to iPhone
PRE H

Developers. (AE/AAE)

8. Anne found the topic [extremely easy to explain]. (sE)
PRE H POST

Supplemental Exercise 3 – {PPs}

Find all the {PPs} in the sentences below. Identify the head, any PREs, and the PC.

1. You used to go stand [in the porch] and look [at the TV] [through the window]. (ChE)
H PC H PC H PC

2. We start [on July]. (ChE)
H PC

3. The movie corresponded loosely [to the novel it was based on]. (sE)
H PC

4. She was a-goin' [to the show]. (AE)
H PC

5. I heard him a-fussin' [about taxes]. (AE)
H PC
6. Yesterday we play another team [for the championship]. (AAE)
H PC
7. They are leaving [on a great adventure]; you should go with. (ME)
H PC
8. Alls Alice brought [to the party] was bread. (ME)
H PC
9. Here's me a good pair [of jeans]. (Kentucky English/SAE)
H PC
10. He yelled [at John] [for fixin' to change the plan]. (SAE/AAE)
H PC H PC
11. You stay [in your office] too late anymore. (ME)
H PC
12. She bin [at work]. (AAE)
H PC
13. She was right [on time]. (sE)
H PC

Supplemental Exercise 4 – Functions of {PPs}

Decide if the italicized PPs are postmodifiers (PM) or adverbials (A).¹ We have separated two consecutive phrases with brackets

- a) *During the summer*, Sarah enjoys hikes *in the mountains* to escape the city's heat. (sE)
A A
- b) Taylor often relaxes [*by taking a stroll*] [*at sunset*]. (sE)
A A
- c) The house *by the lake* provides a serene retreat. (sE)
POST
- d) The book *on the shelf* caught her attention *with its intriguing title*. (sE)

¹ Based on an sentences produced by OpenAI, 2024.

POST

A

e) *Despite the rain*, the team continued their practice *in the outdoor field* to prepare for
A A
the upcoming tournament. (sE)

f) *With determination and focus*, Amos studied diligently *for their upcoming exams*. (sE)
A A