

## Chapter- 8

## Phrases – 2 Adjective and Prepositional

## STUDY NOTES

## AT A GLANCE

- 1) An adjective phrase is a phrase whose head word is an adjective.
  - 2) It describes a noun or a pronoun in a sentence.
  - 3) A prepositional phrase always begins with a preposition.
  - 4) It is followed by a noun, a pronoun, a noun phrase or a gerund.
  - 5) It acts as an adjective when it modifies a noun.
  - 6) It acts as an adverb when it modifies a verb.
- 1) Underline the adjective phrases in the following sentences. Circle the noun phrases they describe
- a) The boy was very shy and nervous. N.P – THE BOY
  - b) Jai and Reema looked very enthusiastic after their exams got over. N.P – JAI AND REEMA
  - c) The tablecloth is far too big. N.P – THE TABLECLOTH
  - d) Your handwriting is completely illegible. N.P – YOUR HANDWRITING
  - e) The incident was unbelievable but hilarious. N.P – THE INCIDENT
  - f) The actress looked dazzlingly beautiful as she entered the hall. N.P – THE ACTRESS
  - g) The residents are extremely unhappy about the frequent power cuts. N.P – THE RESIDENTS
- 2) Underline the prepositional phrases in the following sentences. Also, indicate whether the prepositional phrase acts as an adjective or an adverb.
- a) The sun rose over the mountain.      **adverb**
  - b) The shop at the corner sells flowers.      **adjective**.

- c) The letter was hidden under the newspaper. **adverb**
- d) They climbed up the hill very quickly. **adverb**
- e) My mother scolded me for breaking the vase. **adverb**
- f) The book with many colorful pictures is mine. **adjective**
- g) Mumbai is a city with a large population. **adjective**
- h) Turn left at end of the corridor and you will find the reception. **Adverb**

**3. Underline the adjective phrases and circle the prepositional phrases in the following sentences. There might be more than one phrase in some sentences.**

- a) My parents go out for a walk after dinner. PP – AFTER DINNER
- b) The weather is hostile and stormy.
- c) The man was standing beside the postbox. PP – BESIDE THE POSTBOX
- d) The crockery on the left shelf is very delicate. PP – ON THE LEFT SHELF
- e) My neighbour adopted a dog with thick white fur.
- f) *The Incredibles* is a very funny and entertaining movie.
- g) The buildings across the street are very beautiful. PP – ACROSS THE STREET
- h) The young cub was very scared. It ran towards its mother. PP – TOWARDS ITS MOTHER

**4. Complete the sentences with appropriate phrases from the box. Write**

**A for adjective phrase and P for prepositional phrase.**

- a) The nurse applied antiseptic cream on the patient's wounds. - P
- b) Everyone moved away from the platform as the train arrived. - P
- c) My pet dog is rarely aggressive. It never barks at strangers. – A, P

- d) Sneha wants to go to a gift gallery to buy a gift for her best friend. - P
- e) Everyone was so impressed with her performance that they clapped for five minutes. - A
- f) Akash's storybook is very interesting. He borrowed it from his friend. – A, P
- g) This athlete is extremely talented .She can easily jump over the hurdles. – A, P
- h) The announcement is very important. All the students must assemble at the auditorium. – A, P

**5. Replace the colored words in the following sentences with appropriate phrases from the box. Rewrite the sentences in the blanks.**

- a) **Heroic** deeds are **admirable**.

Ans) *Deeds of heroism are worthy of admiration.*

- b) The soldiers fought **bravely**.

Ans) *The soldiers fought in a brave manner.*

- c) It was an **important** meeting.

Ans) *The meeting was of great importance.*

- d) **Japanese** toys are very expensive.

Ans) *Toys made in Japan are very expensive.*

- e) The **blue-eye** boy entered the cinema hall.

Ans) *The boy with blue eyes entered the cinema hall.*

- f) The police handled the matter **cautiously**.

Ans) *The police handled the matter with great caution.*

- g) My uncle bought a **silk** kurta.

Ans) *My uncle bought a kurta made of silk.*

- h) Sunaina is an **experienced** actor.

Ans) *Sunaina is an actor with experience.*