

Y1 Expected Grammar Mat

Noun phrases

A noun phrase is made up of two or more words and can be replaced by a pronoun like **'they'** or **'them'**.

For example **'The books'** is a noun phrase. It contains a determiner **'the'** and a noun **'books'**.

Do you like *the books*?

Yes, I like *them* because *they* are interesting!

Tense

Verbs are words which express actions and we must look at these to determine the tense of the sentence.

Past simple – the action took place in the past and is now finished.

I walked to my friend's house.

Present simple – the action takes place regularly.

I walk to my friend's house.

Co-ordinating conjunctions

A co-ordinating conjunction joins two clauses of equal value or importance in a sentence.

*I like swimming *and* my brother likes football.*

*We might go to the cinema *or* we could go to the funfair.*

*I want to wear my sunhat, *but* it is raining.*

Subordinating conjunctions

A subordinating conjunction introduces a subordinate clause (a clause that does not make sense on its own).

*We couldn't do PE today *because* it was raining.*