

PHRASES

A PHRASE is a group of words that functions in a sentence as a single part of speech.
THEY DO NOT CONTAIN A SUBJECT AND VERB!!!

Prepositional Phrases – Page 432

FUNCTIONS:

- as adjectives: They will modify a noun or pronoun.

Ex. The clown **with the purple nose** was wearing an orange wig.

(n.) (adj.)

The taste **of pineapple** is not appealing to me.

(n.) (adj.)

- as adverbs: They will modify a verb, adjective, or an adverb.

Ex. The cat **ran** toward the mouse.

(v.) (adv.)

The baby looked **pretty** as a picture.

(adj.) (adv.)

Appositive Phrases – Page 435

A noun or pronoun with modifiers placed NEXT TO a noun or pronoun

FUNCTION: adds information or details

Ex. The house, **an elegant mansion**, stood on one acre of land.

(n.) (app.)

An appositive phrase may contain a prepositional phrase:

Ex. The painting, **a mural in many bright colors**, highlights the entrance.

(n.) (app.)

