3 Types of Phrases

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A phrase is a group of words that cannot be a complete sentence because it is missing either a verb or a noun.

examples:

1. *The mangy cat from next door*
2. *Creepily smiling from the shadows*
3. *Dripping delicious chocolate sauce*

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Type #1: Noun Phrases

A noun phrase is a noun (a person, place, or thing) and the adjectives (either before or after) that describe it. They usually look like this:

(article) + adjective(s) + noun + adjective(s)

examples:

1. The decaying zombie
2. Undead and smelly zombies
3. Fearsome and ugly zombies

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Type #2: Verb Phrases

A verb phrase is a a multi-word verb, that expresses more specific type of action or condition. A verb phrase can have up to four parts. They usually look like this:

helping verb(s) + main verb + verb ending (when necessary)

examples:

1. have devoured
2. will enjoy
3. are feasting

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For Your Information: These are helping verbs

"Be" verbs	"D" verbs	"H" verbs	"M" verbs	Rhyming	Permission
is am are - - - was were - - - be been being	do did does	has had have	may might must	should could would	shall can will

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Type #3: Prepositional Phrase

Prepositional phrases start with a preposition and end with a noun phrase or verb phrase. They usually look like this:

preposition(s) + noun phrase or verb phrase

examples:

1. from under the bed
2. before the terrified teacher
3. with nasty gore

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