

UNIT 1 – FAMILY

I. PHRASES & NOUN PHRASES

I. Look at the following sentence from the text and observe the underlined part.

She saw a bald, fat, middle-aged man

Discussion:

Which word in the underlined part is important?

The underlined part in the above sentence has more than one word. It is called a phrase.

The underlined part ‘a bald, fat middle-aged man’ functions as a Noun Phrase.

Here the word ‘**man**’ is important and all other words add more information to that word. Therefore, it is called a **Noun Phrase**.

Identify some more noun phrases from the story and write them below.

- 1) a ball of knotted yarn
- 2) a red blanket
- 3) a cold mist in the mornings

Complete the sentences with noun phrases using the words given in brackets.

1. I bought _____
(beautiful/a/umbrella/red).
2. We saw _____ in the zoo. (Baby/a/elephants/of/couple).
3. Our grandfather lives in _____ (big/house/a/stone-built).
4. Ramya has _____ (nice/a/sari/silk).

SUGGESTED ANSWER

1. I bought a beautiful red umbrella.
2. We saw a couple of baby elephants in the zoo.
3. Our grandfather lives in a big stone-built house.
4. Ramya has a nice silk sari.

