

LI: Writing Concise Noun Phrases

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Various answers, for example: crumbling clock, murky water, frightened polar bears, cracked ice, glimmering sun, foggy sky.

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Various possible answers, for example:

The **hungry** slug slid along the **crunchy** leaf.

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Various answers, for example:

The excited, playful boy is jumping in the sea.

The cautious, alert lifeguard is watching the swimmers.

The happy, relaxed man is sunbathing on the beach.

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Oscar's sentence is more concise because he has described the mouse's personality (curious) and colour (grey). Sharla has described its colour (grey) and size (little) but all mice are little so this information is not useful.