

of nouns or pronouns, or (b) the complements of copulative verbs (see Exercises for Sixth Year), as—

A girdle of gold encircled the Sultan's waist.

The knight's armour was of burnished steel.

EXERCISE 4.

Point out adjective phrases. Say (1) whether they go with subjects, objects, or noun complements; (2) or are adjective complements of copulative verbs.

1. The little boys in the boat cannot swim.
2. The old man with the crutches was knocked down.
3. The ice on the pond was of great thickness.
4. The chain round her neck was a present from her father.
5. I am the daughter of the earth and water, and the nursling of the sky.
6. A mighty man is he, with large and sinewy hands.
7. She received a book with pictures.
8. He rang the bell of polished brass.

EXERCISE 5.

(1) Do the same with these sentences. (2) Change the verbs to the passive voice, and see that all attributive adjuncts, whether words or phrases, go with the nouns which they belong.

1. A storm of great violence has uprooted some trees in the park.
2. Three ships in full sail passed the lighthouse on Bell Rock.
3. He hath exalted them of low degree.
4. The crowd on the quay cheered the men in the lifeboat.
5. The fisherman in the blue jersey caught those fish in the basket.