

## EXPANDING SENTENCES

**Look carefully at how the sentence below has been expanded to add lots more detail.** By the end it is a much more effective sentence than at the beginning!

*The girl walked.*

*The young girl tiptoed.* (add an adjective, strengthen the verb)

*The young girl tiptoed quietly.* (add an adverb)

*The young girl tiptoed quietly across the room.* (add a preposition)

*The frail, young girl tiptoed quietly across the dark room.* (add adjectives)

*The frail, young girl tiptoed quietly across the dark room towards the broken window.* (extend clause)

*The frail, young girl tiptoed quietly across the dark room towards the broken window when suddenly...* (add conjunction)

### Now you try...

1. The man dug.
2. The boy played.
3. A bird flew.
4. My grandma sat.