

Anchor phrase with noun²

—Genitive phrase

Possessive: The noun in the anchor phrase is a possession of the genitive.

Acts 12:12 He went to the house *of Mary*.

Relationship: The noun in the anchor phrase describes the relationship and the genitive indicates the person to whom he/she is related.

Matthew 1:16 Joseph the husband of Mary...

Partitive: The noun in the anchor phrase is part of the whole described in the genitive.

Acts 8:32 The passage of the Scripture that...

Epexegetical³: The noun in the anchor phrase refers to the same thing as the genitive.

Romans 4:11 He received the sign of circumcision.

Subjective: The genitive functions as the subject of the verbal idea implied in the noun of the anchor phrase.

Titus 2:13 The appearing of the glory...

Objective: The genitive functions as the object of the verbal idea implied in the noun of the anchor phrase.

Titus 2:7 To be a model of good works...

Plenary: The genitive functions both as the subject and the object of the verbal idea implied in the noun of the anchor phrase.

2 Corinthians 5:14 The love *of Christ* constrains us...

Separation: The genitive is that from which a verb or a noun in the anchor phrase is separated.

Mark 5:29 She was healed of her disease.

- ¹ Categories and definitions based upon *The Basics of New Testament Syntax* by Daniel B. Wallace.
- ² Certain verbs can also take a genitive, such as speak, heal, say, write, tell, eat, repent.

Attributive: The genitive specifies an attribute or quality of the noun in the anchor phrase.

Romans 6:6 In order that the body of sin...

Attributed: The noun in the anchor phrase specifies an attribute or quality of the genitive.

1 Peter 1:7 The genuineness of your faith...

Producer: The noun in the anchor phrase is produced by the genitive.

Ephesians 4:3 The unity of the Spirit...

Product: The noun in the anchor phrase produces the genitive.

Romans 15:33 The God of peace...

Material: The genitive specifies the material out of which the noun in the anchor phrase is made.

Matthew 9:16 A piece of unshrunk cloth...

Contents: The genitive specifies the contents of the noun in the anchor phrase.

Matthew 10:42 Even a cup of cold water...

Subordination: The noun of the anchor phrase has dominion over the genitive.

Genesis 14:2 Made war with Bera king of Sodom

Source: The genitive specifies the origin of the noun in the anchor phrase.

Acts 10:38 God anointed Jesus of Nazareth.

Destination: The genitive specifies the end point to which the noun of the anchor phrase arrives.

Ephesians 2:3 Were by nature children of wrath...

Reference: The genitive indicates to what the anchor phrase is in connection.

Psalm 87:3 Glorious things *of you* are spoken...

Descriptive⁴: The noun in the anchor phrase is characterized by the genitive.

Mark 1:4 Preaching a baptism of repentance...

- ³ Named *genitive of apposition* by Wallace.
- ⁴ Only use this when no other relationship will work.