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Day 1: Understand me

What is a fronted adverbial?

Adverbials are words or phrases that give more information to the sentence.

"I discovered fronted adverbials, earlier today."

'Earlier today' is the adverbial.

"Earlier today, I discovered fronted adverbials."

A fronted adverbial is when the adverbial word or phrase is moved to the front of the sentence, before the verb. So here, 'earlier today' is a fronted adverbial.

On the next page there are lots of examples of fronted adverbials. They can be used to describe when, where, who, how and how often an action(verb) happens. This is followed by a comma (,) to separate the clause from the main clause (idea).

Your turn:

Tick **all** the sentences that contain a **fronted adverbial**.

Walking across the field, the children became very muddy.

It was great fun doing the washing up.

Her mum works in an office.

Standing by Emma, Jack hopped on one leg.

Insert the comma in the correct place to demarcate the fronted adverbial.

Before the sun came up she stood and waited.

In the dead of night the black cat began to wake.

Throughout the film my sister talked on her phone.

Positively trembling with excitement he accepted the award.

Unfortunately they arrived after the film had started.

In the blink of an eye the magician was gone.

Underline the adverbials, circle the verbs.

Before the sun came up, he ate his breakfast.

All night long, she danced.

As fast as he could, the rabbit hopped.

Under the clock, he stood.

Fronted Adverbials

Fronted Adverbials are words or phrases at the beginning of a sentence which are used to describe the action that follows.

Time	Frequency	Place	Manner	Possibility
Afterwards, Already, Always, Immediately, Last month, Now, Soon, Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow, Next year, In January, On Tuesday, In the morning, After a while, As soon as she could, Before long, All of a sudden, In the blink of an eye, Just then, Eventually, Later,	Often, Again, Daily, Weekly, Fortnightly, Yearly, Sometimes, Rarely, Every second, Twice a year, Once a minute, Once, Once or twice, Three times, Constantly, Regularly, Frequently, Infrequently, Occasionally, Rarely, Never in my life, Never before,	Above the clouds, Below the sea, Here, Outside, Over there, There, Under the ground, Upstairs, In the distance, Between the sea and the sky, Everywhere she looked, Around the tent, Back at the house, Nearby, Down by the cliffs, Behind the shed, In the wooden box, Over my bed, Somewhere near here, Far away, Wherever they went, North of here,	Sadly, Slowly, Happily, Awkwardly, Bravely, Like a ... , As quick as a flash, As fast as he could, Without a sound, Without warning, Unexpectedly, Unfortunately, Suddenly, Mysteriously, Frantically, Anxiously, Courageously, Silently, Curiously, Nervously, Rapidly, Carefully,	Almost unbelievably, Much admired, Nearly asleep, Quite understandably, Really happily, Perhaps, Maybe, Just arrived, Certainly amused, Obviously angry, Definitely confused, Completely exhausted, Barely alive, Out of breath, Decidedly unimpressed, Perfectly confident, Positively trembling with excitement, Purely practically, Somewhat flustered, Utterly joyous, Totally overwhelmed,



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Day 2: Identify me

- Read the text below, how many examples of _____ can you find?
- **Underline in them in the text in pencil.**

Yesterday, I woke up and immediately ate my breakfast. In the blink of an eye, my breakfast had vanished. It was my favourite breakfast of dippy eggs so I had eaten them super speedily. After I had got dressed, I decided to go outside to play on my brand new, emerald green bike. It has front suspension and I can cycle quickly downhill on it. Before long, it began to rain so I reluctantly put my bike away in the shed and went back inside. In the afternoon, my friend, who I've known since I was 3 years old, came around to play on my PS4 with me.

Occasionally, we play on LEGO Batman but yesterday we decided to play on LEGO Star Wars which we absolutely love and play on regularly. Next week, we are going to race our bikes if the weather is better.

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Day 3: Practice me

Task 1:

Fronted Adverbials for Manner

Add a fronted adverbial for manner to each of the sentences below. You can use the suggested manner adverbials in the box below or you can think of some of your own. Remember, you must add a comma after the fronted adverbial.

With a huge grin on her face	Without warning	Completely exhausted	
Nervously	Like tall giants	With some trepidation	As quick as a flash

- _____ the baby began to cry.
- _____ the young boy changed into his PE kit.
- _____ the mountains stood watching over the valley.
- _____ Veronica blew out the candles on her birthday cake.
- _____ Jason crossed the finishing line of the marathon.
- _____ Imran went on the ghost train at the fair.
- _____ Fiona stepped on stage to sing in front of the judges.

Task 2:

Fronted Adverbials for Time

Add a fronted adverbial for time to each of the sentences below. You can use the suggested time adverbials in the box below or you can think of one of your own. Remember, you must add a comma after the fronted adverbial.

After lunch During the film Last summer After getting out of bed
At night Before running the race When she fell over Whilst cooking dinner

1. _____ Sheila ate her breakfast.
2. _____ Jack cleaned his teeth and got ready for bed.
3. _____ we went to Spain for a holiday.
4. _____ we ate a delicious dessert.
5. _____ Ryan did some warm-up exercises.
6. _____ Ben and Holly ate popcorn.
7. _____ Phoebe started to cry.
8. _____ Dad burnt his hand.

Task 3:

Fronted Adverbials for Place

Each of the fronted adverbials below shows where (place) something has happened. Draw a line from each fronted adverbial to the sentence it best matches.

Below the crashing waves,

the birds were busy making nests.

In the park,

Sandra was sunbathing whilst reading her favourite book.

High in the trees,

the nurse was extremely busy helping all his patients.

On a beautiful beach,

Elliot played football with his friends.

Deep in space,

the deadly shark swam looking for prey.

At the hospital,

the alien ship flew at the speed of light.

Challenge!

Add a fronted adverbial to each of these sentences to explain where they might happen.

1. _____, Phoebe ate a juicy burger.
2. _____, the gorilla beat his strong chest.
3. _____, the witch flew on her broomstick.

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Day 4: Use me

Use fronted adverbials to describe the image below.

Challenge: Tell me **How**, **When**, **Where**, **How often** and **Who**



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