

Fronted Adverbials

Warm-up



What Is a Fronted Adverbial?

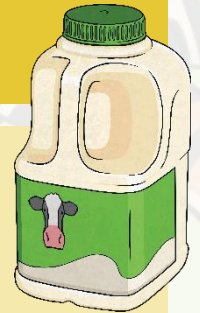
An adverbial is a word, phrase or clause that is used, like an adverb, to modify a verb or a clause. Adverbs can be used as adverbials, but many other types of words, phrases and clauses can be used in this way. When adverbials are used at the beginning of a sentence, they are called 'fronted adverbials'.



Sleepily, the tiger yawned.



Once per week, the milkman delivers two pints of milk.



Feeling frightened, Freddie ran back home.

Writing Your Own Fronted Adverbials: ISPACE

Use ISPACE to help you remember six different ways to create fronted adverbials...



I

-ing word

e.g. Shaking with fear, ...



S

Simile

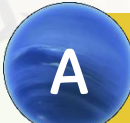
e.g. Like a raging bull, ...



P

Preposition

e.g. Behind the clouds, ...



A

Adverb

e.g. Anxiously, ...



C

Conjunction

e.g. After he opened his eyes, ...



E

-ed word

e.g. Exhausted, ...

Spot the Fronted Adverbial

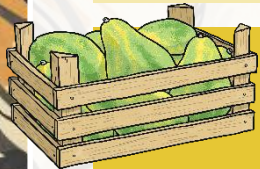
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Copy them onto a whiteboard.



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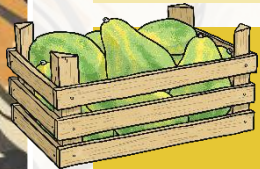
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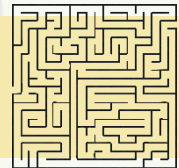
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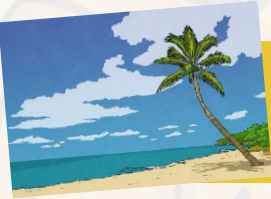
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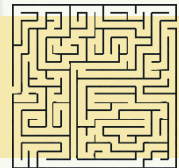


As we arrived, the swings were empty.



Sweating in the heat, Jemima watered the flowers in her garden.

Puzzled, Maya and Suki walked around the maze.



As fast as lightning, the huskies pulled the sledge.

Match the Fronted Adverbial

Match the fronted adverbials to the sentence they fit best with.
There could be more than one correct answer.

Almost unbelievably,

Bravely,

Sometimes,

Immediately,

Below the sea,

supermarkets do not stock products from particular brands.

Samurai warriors carried their swords into battle.

the car screeched to a halt.

the team scored a goal in the final minute.

a variety of previously unseen creatures are being discovered.

Did you match them differently? If so, how?

How Many Ways?

Sometimes, there are many different fronted adverbials which can be used with the same sentence. List some ideas of fronted adverbials which could be added to this sentence:

The diver took a deep breath.

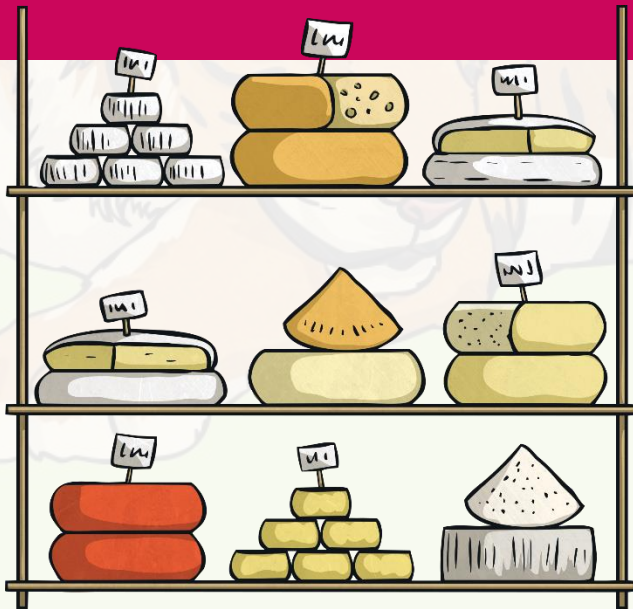


Write your sentence on
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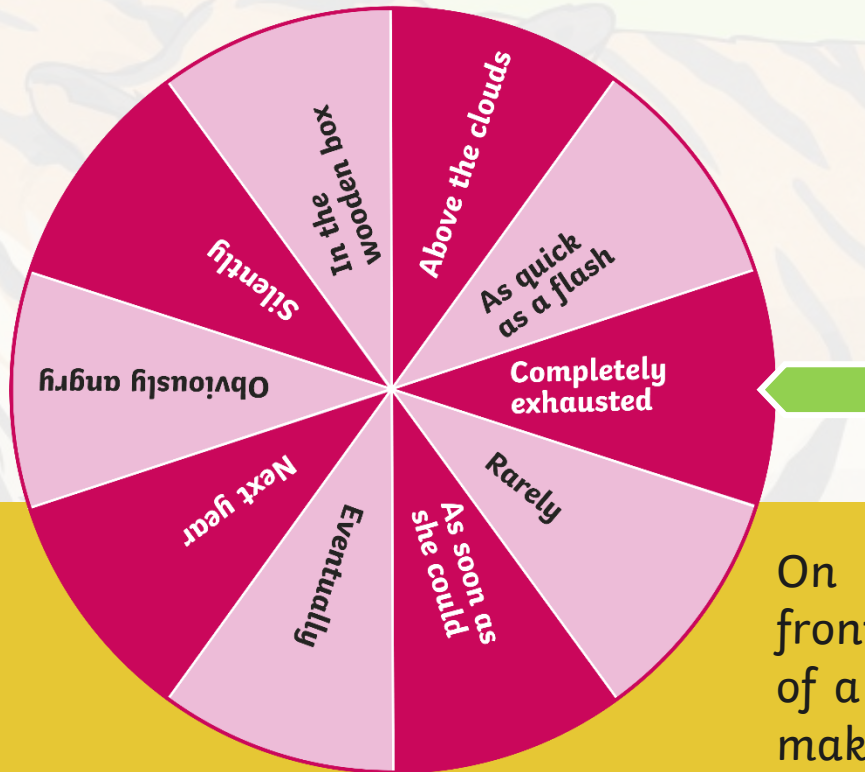
Cheese can be bought from a delicatessen.



Write your sentence
on a whiteboard.

They Have Been Matched!

Spin the wheel to select a fronted adverbial.



Spin

Next Slide

On your whiteboards, write the fronted adverbial. Now, write the rest of a sentence which could go with it, making sure that it makes sense. Don't forget to include a comma!

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Mix and Match

Make as many fronted adverbial sentences as possible using the pink and yellow tiles. Your sentences must make sense.

Given the time of day,	If she were honest,	Although she was upset,
Despite the rain,	Watching from afar,	Throughout the film,
Underneath the umbrella,	Unintentionally,	As fast as he could,

she walked through the storm.	they would not stop talking.	he sprinted towards the finish.
she did not really like it much.	I would be surprised if she came.	he dialled the wrong number.
the guards followed the robber.	they kept falling asleep.	she did not tell anyone.

Can you use the same fronted adverbial more than once in different sentences?

