

Max's Fronted Adverbial Adventure

Learning objective: To identify and use fronted adverbials to add detail and description to sentences.

Help Max the monkey solve these grammatical puzzles! Remember, a fronted adverbial is a word, phrase, or clause at the beginning of a sentence that describes how, when, or where something happens. Don't forget your comma after the adverbial!

Answer Key: 1. B, 2. True, 3. A, 4. False, 5. In the distance, 6. Carefully, 7. Yesterday, 8. B, 9. Without a sound, 10. During the morning.

Word bank: Carefully · Yesterday · In the distance · Without a sound · During the morning · Happily · Under the tree

1. 1. Which sentence uses a fronted adverbial correctly? A) Max climbed the tree, quickly. B) Quickly, Max climbed the tree. C) Max quickly, climbed the tree. D) Max climbed, quickly the tree. (1 mark)

2. 2. True or False: Every fronted adverbial must be followed by a comma. (1 mark)

3. 3. Identify the fronted adverbial in this sentence: 'After the rain, the flowers bloomed.' A) After the rain B) the flowers C) bloomed D) rain (1 mark)

4. 4. True or False: A fronted adverbial usually comes at the end of a sentence. (1 mark)

5. 5. Fill in the blank with a phrase that shows WHERE: '_____, the lion spotted his friends.' (1 mark)

6. 6. Choose the best word to describe HOW: '_____, Pip the caterpillar crawled across the leaf.' (Carefully / Yesterday) (1 mark)

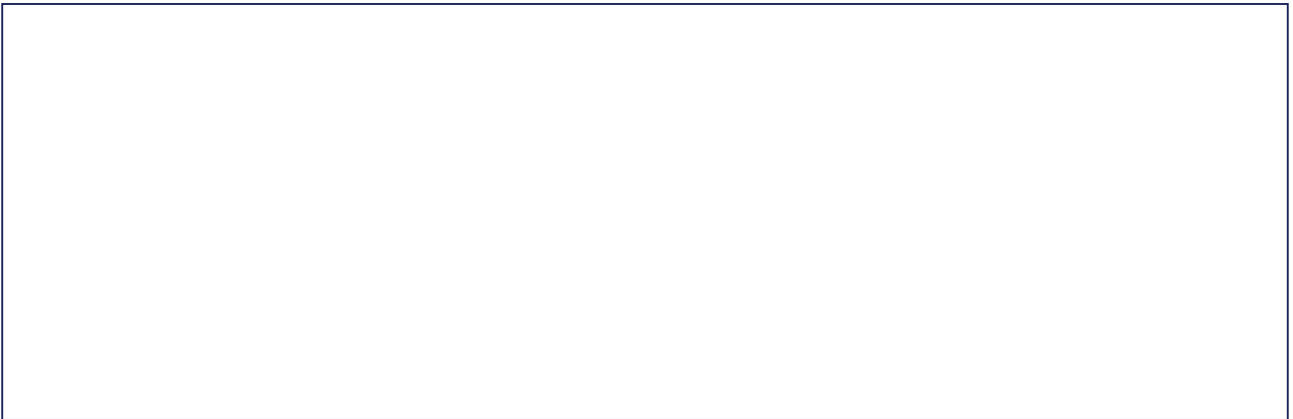
7. 7. Add a time-based fronted adverbial to this sentence: '_____, Zara painted a beautiful picture of the jungle.' (1 mark)

8. 8. Which of these is NOT a fronted adverbial phrase? A) In the morning B) The monkey jumped C) Without warning D) Under the bright sun (1 mark)

9. 9. Complete the sentence: ' _____ , the owl opened her eyes.' (Use a phrase describing how she did it). (1 mark)

10. 10. Which fronted adverbial tells us WHEN? 'During the morning, the sun began to shine.' (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Max the monkey sitting in a jungle clearing. Write a sentence about him at the bottom of your page using a fronted adverbial, such as 'High in the canopy, Max spotted a ripe banana.'



Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph about a day in the life of your favourite BookFlik character. You must include at least three different fronted adverbials: one for time, one for place, and one for manner.