

Mastering Fronted Adverbials with Max the Monkey

Learning objective: To be able to identify and use fronted adverbials to describe time, place, and manner in sentences.

Read each question carefully. Remember that a fronted adverbial is a word or phrase at the beginning of a sentence that describes how, when, or where something happens. Don't forget to use a comma after your fronted adverbial!

Max the monkey is busy solving maths puzzles. He loves to explore the forest while he works. Help him describe his adventures by using the word bank to complete the sentences below.

Word bank: Cautiously · Yesterday afternoon · Deep in the jungle · Without a sound · In the blink of an eye · High above the trees

1. Choose a fronted adverbial from the word bank to complete this sentence about Max:
'_____, Max counted all the shiny mangoes on the ground.' (1 mark)

2. Write your own sentence about Max using a fronted adverbial that tells us WHERE he is. Remember your comma! (2 marks)

3. Identify the fronted adverbial in this sentence: 'Without a sound, Max climbed the tallest branch.' (1 mark)

4. Rewrite this sentence by moving the adverbial to the front: 'Max solved the tricky equation quickly.' (2 marks)

5. Create a sentence using a fronted adverbial that describes WHEN Max goes to sleep. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw Max the monkey sitting on a branch with a notepad and pencil, solving a maths puzzle under the bright sun.



Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph (3-4 sentences) about a day in the life of Max. Use at least three different fronted adverbials to make your writing more exciting!