

Max the Monkey's Grammatical Garden

Learning objective: To identify and use fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrases to add detail to sentences.

Max the Monkey is tidying his garden, but his sentences are missing some important details! Choose a fronted adverbial from the word bank to begin each sentence, and an expanded noun phrase to describe the objects in his garden. Write your completed sentences in the spaces provided. Make sure to use a comma after your fronted adverbial.

Word bank: Carefully · Yesterday afternoon · Without a sound · In the corner of the garden · The giant, colorful sunflower · The shiny, silver watering can · The soft, velvety moss · The dusty, old wooden shed

1. 1. _____, Max polished _____. (2 marks)

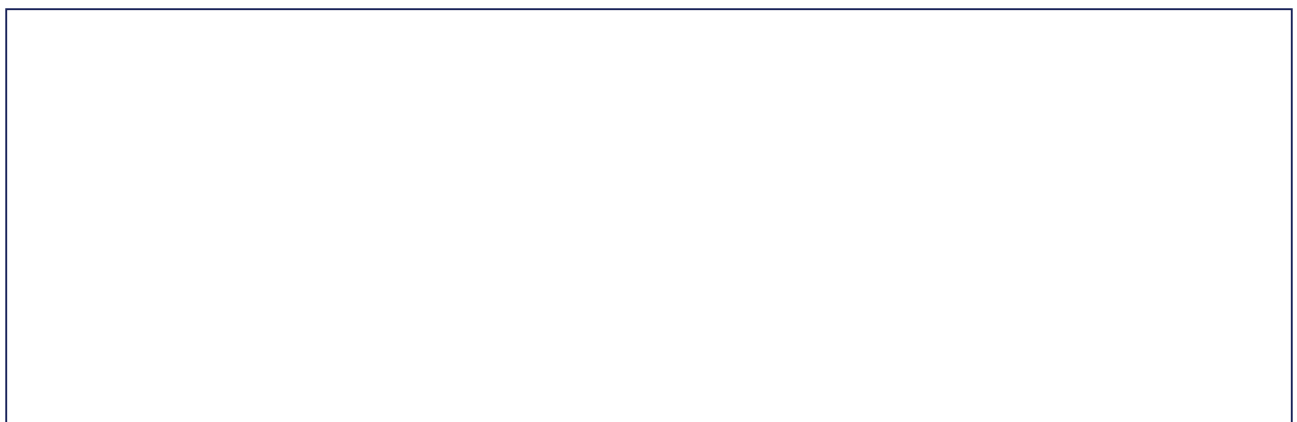
2. 2. _____, Max planted seeds under _____. (2 marks)

3. 3. _____, Max found a spider hiding on _____. (2 marks)

4. 4. _____, Max tidied his tools inside _____. (2 marks)

5. 5. Explain why you must place a comma after the fronted adverbial in your sentences. (2 marks)

Draw: Draw Max the Monkey in his garden. Include the giant sunflower, the shiny watering can, and the old wooden shed you described in your sentences.



Extension challenge: Write two new sentences about an adventure in the garden using your own fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrases. Remember to check for your commas!