

Max's Maths-Adventure Story Builder

Learning objective: To use fronted adverbials to express time, place, and manner, and to understand their impact on the flow of a narrative.

Max the monkey is planning a jungle adventure, but his diary is missing all the descriptive details! Your task is to transform these simple sentences into exciting, descriptive ones by choosing a fronted adverbial from the word bank and adding it to the start of each sentence. Remember to place a comma after the fronted adverbial. You may use your own ideas if they are more creative than the bank!

Word bank: Cautiously · Deep in the emerald canopy, · After counting the golden coins, · Without a single sound, · Before the sun began to set, · High above the forest floor, · With great excitement, · Early in the morning,

1. 1. Max climbed the ancient tree. (Add a fronted adverbial of place to show where he was.) (2 marks)

2. 2. He checked his bag of supplies. (Add a fronted adverbial of time to show when this happened.) (2 marks)

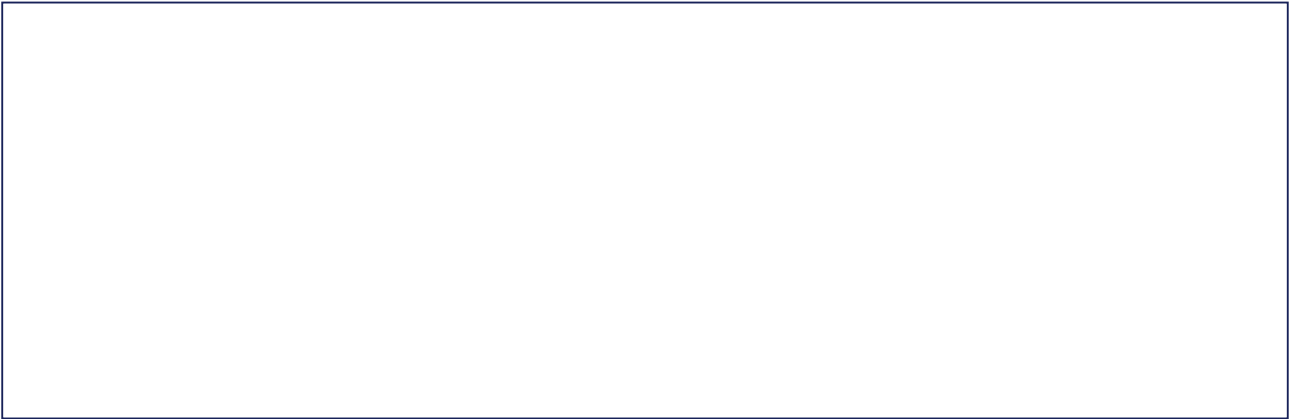
3. 3. The monkeys moved through the branches. (Add a fronted adverbial of manner to describe how they moved.) (2 marks)

4. 4. Explain why we must place a comma after a fronted adverbial in a sentence. (2 marks)

5. 5. Compare and contrast: How does the sentence 'Max jumped' change in meaning if you add the fronted adverbial 'Suddenly,' compared to 'Yesterday,'? (3 marks)

6. 6. Justify your answer: Why might an author choose to use a fronted adverbial rather than putting the adverb at the end of the sentence? (3 marks)

Draw: Draw Max the monkey sitting high in a tree, counting his collection of shiny £1 coins. Add a speech bubble showing Max using a fronted adverbial to describe his next plan.



Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph (3-4 sentences) describing a treasure hunt Max is going on. You must use at least two fronted adverbials of place and one fronted adverbial of manner. Challenge: Can you use a fronted adverbial that describes time at the very beginning of your paragraph?