

Fronted Adverbial Adventure with Kit the Fox

Learning objective: To identify, use, and correctly punctuate fronted adverbials in sentences.

Kit the Fox needs help fixing his code! Read each question carefully and remember that a fronted adverbial sits at the beginning of a sentence and is followed by a comma.

Answer Key: 1. A, 2. B, 3. True, 4. B, 5. Quickly, 6. True, 7. C, 8. False, 9. Slowly, 10. A. Remember: The fronted adverbial must be followed by a comma!

Word bank: Fronted adverbial · Comma · Time · Place · Manner · Punctuation

1. 1. Which of these is a correctly punctuated fronted adverbial? A) After the rain, the flowers bloomed. B) After the rain the flowers bloomed. C) After the rain; the flowers bloomed. D) The flowers bloomed, after the rain. (1 mark)

2. 2. Choose the adverbial of place: A) Yesterday, we went home. B) In the dark forest, the trees swayed. C) Happily, the fox jumped. D) Soon, the sun will set. (1 mark)

3. 3. True or False: A fronted adverbial must always be followed by a comma. (1 mark)

4. 4. Identify the fronted adverbial in this sentence: 'Without a sound, the owl landed.' A) The owl B) Without a sound C) Landed D) The owl landed (1 mark)

5. 5. Complete this sentence with a manner adverbial: '_____, the monkey climbed the tree.' (1 mark)

6. 6. True or False: 'During the night' is a fronted adverbial of time. (1 mark)

7. 7. Which sentence uses a fronted adverbial of frequency? A) On the grass, he sat. B) Silently, he crept. C) Every single day, Kit checks his map. D) Under the bridge, he hid. (1 mark)

8. 8. True or False: A fronted adverbial can only describe time. (1 mark)

9. 9. Complete this sentence with a place adverbial: '_____, the dolphin spotted a ship.' (1 mark)

10. 10. Which is a correctly punctuated sentence? A) With great excitement, Max opened his book. B) With great excitement Max opened his book. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a picture of Kit the Fox sitting at a desk with a map, and write a sentence starting with a fronted adverbial underneath it to describe what he is doing.



Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph of three sentences about an adventure using a different fronted adverbial at the start of each sentence.