

# Homework/Extension

## Step 3: Fronted Adverbials

### National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 4: (4G5.6b) [Using fronted adverbials](#)

English Year 4: (4G5.6b) [Fronted adverbials \[for example, Later that day, I heard the bad news.\]](#)

English Year 4: (4G5.6b) [Using commas after fronted adverbials](#)

English Year 4: (4G5.6b) [Use commas after fronted adverbials](#)

Terminology for pupils:

English Year 4: (4G1.6a) [adverbial](#)

### Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Varied Fluency)

**Developing** Identify a sentence which shows an underlined fronted adverbial which has been used in a sentence with up to two simple clauses or phrases.

**Expected** Identify a sentence which shows an underlined fronted adverbial within two expanded clauses.

**Greater Depth** Identify an underlined fronted adverbial within sentences which include multiple clauses and adverbials.

Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Varied Fluency)

**Developing** Decide whether commas have been used to mark fronted adverbials accurately within two simple sentences.

**Expected** Decide whether commas have been used to mark fronted adverbials accurately within two expanded clauses.

**Greater Depth** Decide whether commas have been used to mark fronted adverbials accurately in sentences which include multiple clauses and adverbials.

Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Application and Reasoning)

**Developing** Prove whether a given statement is true using knowledge of fronted adverbials. Adverbials are used in sentences with up to two simple clauses or phrases.

**Expected** Prove whether a given statement is true using knowledge of fronted adverbials. Adverbials are used within two expanded clauses.

**Greater Depth** Prove whether a given statement is true using knowledge of fronted adverbials. Sentences include multiple clauses and adverbials.

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1. Tick the sentence which shows a correct fronted adverbial underlined.

A. Eventually the girls stopped giggling and fell asleep.

B. Eventually, the girls stopped giggling and fell asleep.

C. Eventually, the girls stopped giggling and fell asleep.

D. Eventually, the girls stopped giggling and fell asleep.



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2. True or false? Commas have been used correctly to show fronted adverbials in the sentences below.

A. In the bathroom, Melanie could hear her mum's brand-new, shiny mobile phone ringing.

B. By the sea you can hear, the waves crashing against the rocks.



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3. Bobby says,



Each of the sentences below could be completed with a fronted adverbial of place.

A.  , I found a whole, uneaten pizza.

B.  , the ground beneath my feet began to shake.

C.  , my little brother lost his designer coat.

Do you agree? Prove it.



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4. Tick the sentence which shows a correct fronted adverbial underlined.

A. High above the clouds, a plane zoomed through the sky.

B. High above the clouds a plane zoomed through the sky.

C. High above the clouds, a plane zoomed through the sky.

D. High above the clouds a plane zoomed through the sky.



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5. True or false? Commas have been used correctly to show fronted adverbials in the sentences below.

A. On Sunday, morning the ground was covered in a thick and unspoilt layer of snow.

B. Once, or twice a year, I go back home to visit my parents and I stay in their cosy cottage in Devon.



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6. Martha says,



Each of the sentences below could be completed with an adverbial of time or place.

A.  , Sam jumped onto the platform with great enthusiasm.

B.  , Jamelia reluctantly opened the blackout curtain with heavy fabric.

C.  , he disappeared from sight as he dashed behind the steep hill.

Do you agree? Explain your answer.



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7. Tick the sentence which shows a correct fronted adverbial underlined.

A. Much to everyone's surprise Theo delivered an inspiring speech on Wednesday, at the annual business conference.

B. Much to everyone's surprise, Theo delivered an inspiring speech on Wednesday at the annual business conference.

C. Much to everyones surprise, Theo delivered an inspiring speech on Wednesday, at the annual business conference.

D. Much to everyone's surprise, Theo delivered an inspiring speech on Wednesday, at the annual business conference.



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8. True or false? Commas have been used correctly to show fronted adverbials in the sentences below.

A. Whilst he was rummaging, in the garden shed Dean discovered an unused hand-saw.

B. Even though half-asleep, Theron could still hear his dad's monotonous snoring coming from next door.



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9. Conrad says,



Each of the sentences below could be completed with either an adverbial of time or place.

A.  , after I had picked my mum up from the hospital, my car broke down on a busy main road.

B. Tomorrow morning,  , I will take photographs of all the children wearing their shiny medals from Sports Day.

C. According to tradition,  , pyramids were made from limestone.

Do you agree? Explain your answer.



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### Developing

1. **D**
2. **A) True; B) False, a comma needs to be placed after the noun *sea*.**
3. **Bobby is correct. Various answers, for example:**  
**A) In the cardboard box; On the table**  
**B) In California; By the museum**  
**C) At the park; Inside the cinema**

### Expected

4. **C**
5. **A) False, because the comma should be placed after the noun *morning*; B) False, the comma after *once* is unnecessary.**
6. **Martha is correct. Various answers, for example:**  
**A) (time) As soon as the train stopped; (place) At the train station,**  
**B) (time) One sunny morning; (place) Upstairs,**  
**C) (time) In a matter of seconds; (place) In the distance,**

### Greater Depth

7. **B (C is incorrect because everyone's is missing an apostrophe)**
8. **A) False, the comma should be placed after the noun *shed*; B) True.**
9. **Conrad is correct. Various answers, for example:**  
**A) (time) Last week; (place) Next to the church**  
**B) (time) during the whole school assembly; (place) from the back of the hall**  
**C) (time) during the pharaoh's reign; (place) in Egypt**