

## Using Fronted Adverbials *Diamonds*

1. Tick the fronted adverbial that would improve the sentence below.

The snake slithered through the grass.

A. Below the sea,

B. Next year,

C. Silently,

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2. Underline the adverbial phrase in the sentence below.

The rabbit dug a deep hole in the garden.

Now, rewrite the sentence with a fronted adverbial.

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3. Rewrite the sentence below using a different fronted adverbial to change the meaning.

As fast as she could, the girl ran home to her parents.

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## Using Fronted Adverbials Rubies

4. Tick the fronted adverbial that would improve the sentence below.

The lions roared, the elephants stomped and the sound echoed through the trees.

A. Deep in the jungle,

B. Nervously,

C. Sometime next week,

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5. Underline the adverbial phrase in the sentence below.

The twinkling stars and the snow covered peaks could be seen in the distance.

Now, rewrite the sentence with a fronted adverbial.

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6. Rewrite the sentence below using a different fronted adverbial to change the meaning.

Nervously, the boy crept onto the stage but no one noticed he was there.

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## Using Fronted Adverbials Opals

7. Tick two fronted adverbials that would improve the sentence below.

The figure stood on the cliff edge, waiting as the seconds ticked by.

A. Tomorrow morning,

B. In the dead of the night,

C. Shaking with fear,

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8. Underline the adverbial phrases in the sentence below.

The sun began to rise gradually over the horizon as the camels marched across the sandy desert.

Now, rewrite the sentence with a fronted adverbial.

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9. Rewrite the sentence below using a different adverbial phrases to change the meaning.

Without hesitation, the beast moved swiftly across the savannah, while the remaining creatures retreated in fear.

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## Recognising Parenthesis

Citrines  
and  
Emeralds

1. Tick the two sentences which would be clearer if the parenthesis was demarcated accurately.

A. The hill a short walk from the church gives a great view of the countryside.	
B. Green sea turtles live in tropical coastal waters around the world.	
C. I will be taking part in a pentathlon which includes five different events next month.	
D. The wind was blowing wildly across the open grasslands of Africa.	

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2. Circle the type of information the parenthesis gives us.

Blake's dog – which is a black and white spaniel – loves to go for walks along the beach.

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3. Jed thinks he has underlined the parenthesis in his sentences. Is he correct? Explain why.



A. The soldier (valiant and selfless) ran towards the danger.

B. My neighbour, the one with the incredibly expensive car, leaves for work at half past five.

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## Recognising Parenthesis *Sapphires*

4. Tick the two sentences which would be clearer if the parenthesis was demarcated accurately.

A. The heaviest giant squid ever recorded caught in 2007 weighed nine hundred kilograms and measured eighteen metres in length.	
B. Jade our school councillor always has immaculate manners setting a good example to the rest of our school.	
C. The brave knight sat nobly surveying the kingdom in front of him, aware that the time had come.	
D. The vicious dog immediately jumped at the man, baring its teeth and barking continuously.	

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5. Circle the type of information the parenthesis gives us.

The desert island – just off the Australian coast in the Pacific Ocean – is frequently visited by travellers seeking a quiet holiday destination.

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6. Mariam thinks she has underlined the parenthesis in her sentences. Is she correct? Explain why.



A. Everyone went to the fancy dress party wearing excellent costumes – pirates, witches and aliens.

B. James asked Malikah (his sister's best friend) whether she was going cycling this weekend.

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## Recognising Parenthesis *Amethysts*

7. Tick the two sentences which would be clearer if the parenthesis was demarcated accurately.

A. That evening, we dined at a small Italian restaurant the one nearest to the railway station as it serves delicious pasta, pizzas and risotto.	
B. Tonight, it was a bold, courageous attempt but it was too often interrupted by the referee's whistle because of aggressive tactics.	
C. Beneath the silence, there was trembling among the trees and then the snap of a twig resonated like gunfire through the entire forest.	
D. As the clock struck midnight, speaking quickly and quietly, the man heart throbbing and hands shaking told of a confidential conversation he'd had with the prisoner in the tower.	

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8. Circle the type of information the parenthesis gives us.

Emerging from out of the cave, the beast's venomous drool dripped from its razor-sharp fangs and its horn spiked upwards like a mighty sword – it defeated anything in its path.

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appearance

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9. Bella thinks she has underlined the parenthesis in her sentences. Is she correct? Explain why.



A. Although their journey was nearing its end, Tom, Blaze and Kyra found themselves in immediate danger – their path was blocked by enormous boulders.

B. Under the cover of darkness, the three adventurous children – Kyra, Blaze and Tom – went looking for the missing gold, but they were captured by the evil wizard.

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