

Fronted adverbials

Remember

Sometimes an **adverbial** is placed at the start (or front) of the sentence. This is called a **fronted adverbial**.

In a little village, there lived an old man.

Early one morning, there was a knock at the door.

Slowly, the old man shuffled towards the door.

Try it

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Quickly, Dad prepared the meal.

They saw a ship far away on the horizon.

At the museum, we saw a dinosaur skeleton.

She stormed angrily out of the room.

Within minutes, the police arrived.

In the silent room, a baby was sleeping.



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_____, I saw a badger.

_____, a light appeared in the distance.

_____, we heard footsteps.

_____, the children played on the beach.

Sentence practice

Write three sentences about snow falling. Start with these **fronted adverbials**.

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2 Complete each sentence by adding a fronted adverbial to say when, where or how. These are examples. You can write your own.

At the end of the day, a farmer was walking home from his fields.

Through my window, I saw a badger.

In the forest, a light appeared in the distance.

Late at night, we heard footsteps.

Happily, the children played on the beach.

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During the night, snow fell heavily.

Outside, the children played happily in the snow.

Silently, the snowflakes drifted bit to the ground.