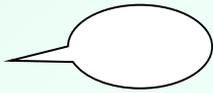


# Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July Spellings

				
LOOK	SAY	TAKE A PICTURE	SAY THE LETTER NAMES AND WRITE	CHECK

Spelling					
appear					
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LO: To write suspenseful sentences using fronted adverbials.



What is a fronted adverbial?

## Fronted adverbials

**Adverbials** are words or phrases that give more information to the sentence.

**"I discovered fronted adverbials, earlier today."**

'Earlier today' is the adverbial.

**"Earlier today, I discovered fronted adverbials."**

A fronted adverbial is when the adverbial word or phrase is moved to the front of the sentence, before the verb. So here, 'earlier today' is a fronted adverbial.



A comma is almost always used after the fronted adverbial, as in these examples.

After watching the ship closely, he edged nearer to get a closer look.

As fast as she could, she sprinted away from the house.

The video below has a useful explanation and some more examples.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zwwp8mn/articles/zp937p3#:~:text=A%20fronted%20adverbial%20is%20when,today'%20is%20a%20fronted%20adverbial.> ●

1. Can you place a comma after the fronted adverbial in these sentences?

**For example:**

After the storm, the people of the town cleared up the damage from the flooding.

- a) Baffled by the mathematical problem the professor felt frustrated.
- b) Under the bridge the misunderstood troll waited patiently for his goat friends.
- c) Once a year the people put on their costumes and partied at the carnival.
- d) Before the holidays the Y6 pupils had a farewell celebration at their junior school.
- e) Almost certainly Eva's team would win the upcoming sports day.

Now, can you spot all of the fronted adverbials in this extract? Underline them and add in commas in the appropriate places.

Through the bushes Kian searched and searched. Under all of the rocks he hunted but he just couldn't find the potion. He sat down with his head in his hands. Feeling depressed a drop of water rolled down his cheek. Kian reached up to dry his eyes and realised the drop was not a tear. Confused he looked up and saw exactly what he was looking for...the magical potion! It was dangling from a tree in a potion bottle. Like a jack-in-the-box Kian leapt up and grabbed it. As Kian hurriedly ran back his feet hurt and his lungs felt like they might explode. Inside his hands he held the one thing that could save everyone in his village.

## How could we add fronted adverbials to suspenseful sentences?



Here are some examples of fronted adverbials being used to create suspense. Can you underline them in each sentence?

In the moonlight, the sea glimmered spookily.

As I crept closer to the house, I heard a terrifying wailing sound.

Cautiously, I tiptoed up the stone steps to the front door.

Hidden in the shadows, I saw an outline of a person.

Look at the photo that you chose earlier this week.





Look at the photo you chose earlier this week on the previous slide. Choose one of the tasks below to try. You can use some of the sentence starters on the previous slide to help you get started.

Note: there are some vocabulary lists and reminders of what the descriptive devices are on the last slide.

★	Challenge 1 – Write 3 sentences using the fronted adverbial sentence starters on the previous page. Write 2 of your own fronted adverbial sentences.
★ ★	Extra challenge – Write 2 sentences using the fronted adverbial sentence starters on the previous page. Write 4 of your own fronted adverbial sentences. Try to include adjectives and adverbs.
★ ★ ★	Extra, extra challenge! –Write 7 of your own fronted adverbial sentences that create suspense. Make sure you include adjectives, adverbs and some similes.

# Some definitions and vocabulary to help:

## **Adjectives**

(describes the noun)

- empty
- desolate
- gloomy
- creepy
- silent
- eerie
- ghostly
- cold
- sinister
- haunting

## **Verbs**

(Action / doing word)

- crept
- peaked
- crouched
- hid
- groaned
- whispered
- gasped
- shivered
- tiptoed
- sprinted
- disappeared

## **Adverbs**

(describes how the verb is done)

- cautiously
- gradually
- warily
- timidly
- urgently
- noiselessly
- suddenly
- immediately
- hesitantly
- nervously
- rapidly