

Adverbials and Fronted Adverbials

Animals in Captivity



What do you think these animals have in common?



They are registered exotic pets in the UK.

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In the UK, thousands of exotic animals live *as pets in family homes*.

Surprisingly, these pets include crocodiles, lemurs and tigers.

Often, owners choose them *for their beautiful appearance*.

Without meaning to, people can cause distress *to their pets*.

Some animals struggle *with human owners*.



Adverbials



Adverbials tell us more about a verb.

Adverbials can be

a word,

unfortunately

a phrase,

in the wild

or a clause.

as they adapt to captivity

Adverbials



Adverbials answer the questions...

Adverbials tell us more about a verb.

Where?

Tigers hunt in the wild.

When?

Tigers hunt at night.

How?

Tigers hunt with cunning.

Adverbials can be placed before and after the main clause.



Lemurs forage.

For much of the day, *Lemurs forage in the wild.*

With nimble fingers, *lemurs forage for fruit and small insects.*

Up in trees, *Lemurs forage with others nearby.*

When an **adverbial** appears in front of the sentence it is modifying...
it is called a **fronted adverbial**.

Fronted adverbials are punctuated by a comma.



Adverbials

Adverbials often open with a preposition.

Some snakes can adapt to life in captivity.

They live in special heat-controlled tanks.

As wild animals, these pets require special food.



You can look for prepositions to help you spot some adverbials.

time

before
after
while
in
on
at
until

place

above
below
inside
outside
to
on
from
by
across
under

manner

in
with
as
like

The preposition is part of the adverbial.





Adverbials

Can you spot the adverbials in these sentences?

Servals are very active hunters in the wild.

Sometimes servals are mistaken for domestic cats.

They can leap from standstill to catch birds.

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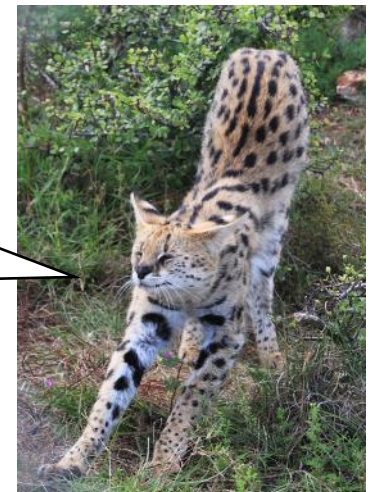
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ANSWERS

HINT: Look for the main clause and find the verb.
The adverbial will be modifying it.





Adverbials add detail

*How did the added detail
change the emotion you felt?*

Adverbials add more information about a verb.
The sentence will still make sense without it.



the lemur stared ~~at the globe for ten minutes~~ *with a fearful expression*



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- *Try adding different adverbials to this clause.*
- *What is the impact?*
- The **verb** has not changed but our perception of it has.
- This is a powerful way to make writing **persuasive!**

What would you use to make someone **feel admiration** for the tiger?



the tiger paced like a thing of magic

at the dead of night

in deep frustration

with menace in its heart

with powerful grace

on tired paws



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