

# Adverbials

1. **Adverbials** tell us **when where, why or how** a verb happens.

For example:

He tripped and fell because his laces were undone. – because his laces were undone, tells us **why** it happened (**why adverbial**)

They parked near the river. – near the river tells us **where** they were. (**where adverbial**)

He hung upside down. – upside down tells us **how** he hung. (**how adverbial**)

Yesterday, I got caught in the rain. – Yesterday tells us **when** it happened. (**when adverbial or time adverbial.**)

2. Remember:



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1. Underline the adverbials in the following sentences

- a. The bear walked into the cave.
- b. Later in the day the sun came out.
- c. They were washed away down river.
- d. He came tumbling down the stairs.
- e. Peter Pan would be a child forever.
- f. The child came down the street skipping.
- g. The cook stirred the soup with care.
- h. The girl was rushed to hospital because she broke her leg.
- i. With care, he packed the glass vase.
- j. I will win tomorrow.
- k. Can I go out to play now?
- l. What's happening today?



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2.. Underline the adverbials in the following sentences

- a. The sun went down at sun set.
- b. I put on my pyjamas before I went to bed.
- c. Funnily, she couldn't tell the time.
- d. At midnight, the owl could be heard hooting.
- e. The flowers all wilted because the sun was so strong.
- f. In the end the dragon died.
- g. In winter, I love to make snowmen
- h. Next week will be my birthday.



# Adverbials - Answers

1. Underline the adverbials in the following sentences

a. The bear walked into the cave. (where)

b. Later in the day the sun came out. (when)

c. They were washed away down river. (where)

d. He came tumbling down the stairs. (how/where)

e. Peter Pan would be a child forever. (when)

f. The child came skipping down the street. (how/where)

g. The cook stirred the soup with care. (how)

h. The girl was rushed to hospital, because she  
broke her leg. (why)

i. With care, he packed the glass vase. (how)

j. I will win tomorrow. (when)

k. Can I go out to play now? (when)

l. What's happening today? (when)



# Adverbials - Answers

2.. Underline the adverbials in the following sentences.

a. The sun went down at sunset. (when)

b. I put on my pyjamas, as it was bedtime. (why)

c. Funnily enough, she couldn't tell the time. (why)

d. At midnight, the owl could be heard hooting. (when)

e. The flowers all wilted, because the sun was so strong. (why)

f. In the end, the dragon died. (when)

g. In winter, I love to make snowmen. (when)

h. Next week will be my birthday. (when)



# Instructions

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Children need to understand that adverbials tell us about verbs or give us more information about what is happening.

Use this resource to work out what type of adverbials are being used in these sentences.

