

Varied Fluency

Step 5: Using Adverbs to Express Time, Place and Cause

Teaching note: Some of the adverbs in this resource are conjunctive adverbs and should be preceded by a semi-colon. However, since the use of semi-colons does not appear in curriculum objectives until Y5/6, we have used commas throughout.

National Curriculum Objectives:

English Year 3: (3G1.6) [Using adverbs to express time and cause](#)

English Year 3: (3G1.6) [Express time, place and cause using adverbs \[for example, then, next, soon, therefore\]](#)

Differentiation:

Developing Questions to support using adverbs of time, place and cause. Only one adverb is used per sentence.

Expected Questions to support using adverbs of time, place and cause. Sentences include adjectives and conjunctions.

Greater Depth Questions to support using adverbs of time, place and cause. Sentences include adjectives, conjunctions, a range of determiners and more than one adverb (including different types of adverbs).

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1a. Tick to show whether the sentence uses an adverb of time, place or cause.

	T	P	C
A. I brush my teeth then I go to bed.			
B. What are you doing here?			
C. It was cold, therefore I took my coat.			



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1b. Tick to show whether the sentence uses an adverb of time, place or cause.

	T	P	C
A. Tim made a snack, however he wasn't hungry.			
B. The stray dog had nowhere to go.			
C. We need to leave soon.			



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2a. Underline the adverbs of place used in the sentences below.

The children searched everywhere.

My new kitten is in there.



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2b. Underline the adverbs of time used in the sentences below.

I need to add the sugar next.

Wash your hands then start to cook.



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3a. True or false? The following sentence includes an adverb of cause:

We had a birthday cake, however it was not my birthday.



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3b. True or false? The following sentence includes an adverb of place:

Please leave the parcels over there.



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4a. Change the adverb of time in the sentence below with a suitable one from the word bank.

then

before

Next we need to finish our art project.



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4b. Change the adverb of cause in the sentence below with a suitable one from the word bank.

because

however

I got some plates since dinner was ready.



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5a. Tick to show whether the sentence uses an adverb of time, place or cause.

	T	P	C
A. We had to take a maths test on fractions recently and it was hard.			
B. It was a rainy day but they had fun playing inside.			
C. I was tired but nevertheless I had to try and concentrate.			



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6a. Underline the adverbs of time used in the sentences below.

Lily hasn't seen her best friend Jess at yoga club lately.

I have already finished my homework for the week.



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7a. True or false? The following sentence includes an adverb of place:

Tom peeked inside and saw his incredible birthday presents.



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8a. Change the adverb of cause in the sentence below with a suitable one from the word bank.

nevertheless

otherwise

furthermore

It was late when we got home and therefore I was very tired.



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5b. Tick to show whether the sentence uses an adverb of time, place or cause.

	T	P	C
A. You must finish your work, otherwise you will miss your playtime.			
B. Jason worked hard and eventually he was chosen for the football team.			
C. From out the bag, the teacher revealed a 3D shape.			



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6b. Underline the adverbs of cause used in the sentences below.

I need to eat all my green vegetables, otherwise my mum won't let me have pudding.

The necklace is beautiful and furthermore it isn't very expensive.



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7b. True or false? The following sentence includes an adverb of time:

We need to get Hannah a present, however the store is too busy.



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8b. Change the adverb of place in the sentence below with a suitable one from the word bank.

below

out

above

Katie ran outside when she heard the ice cream van's catchy tune.



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9a. Tick to show whether the sentence uses an adverb of time, place or cause.

	T	P	C
A. Stacey gently sat down and put her feet up onto the stool.			
B. Darren hasn't finished all his homework yet so he can't come and play.			
C. The police officer put up his hand and consequently the car stopped.			



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9b. Tick to show whether the sentence uses an adverb of time, place or cause.

	T	P	C
A. Due to her excitement, she subsequently wrote a story about her thrilling outing.			
B. The children turned around and ran away as fast as they could.			
C. Seth and his dad hadn't caught any delicious fish so far but they kept trying.			



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10a. Underline the adverbs of cause used in the sentences below.

Owing to the fire, the beautiful church was sadly destroyed.

There was a ferocious blizzard, hence all the schools were closed unexpectedly.



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10b. Underline the adverbs of place used in the sentences below.

Cautiously, he looked over before realising she had already left.

The frail, old man fell down and painfully broke his hip.



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11a. True or false? The following sentence includes an adverb of time:

Tanya couldn't get to school in time due to the terribly heavy traffic.



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11b. True or false? The following sentence includes an adverb of cause:

Thankfully, Curtis has arrived already and he's waiting outside.



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12a. Change the adverb of place in the sentence below with a suitable alternative.

Excitedly, Aflie put his arms up and jumped into the swimming pool.



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12b. Change the adverb of time in the sentence below with a suitable alternative.

Eric quickly looked up the bus times but beforehand he had cheekily asked his mum for a lift.



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Developing

- 1a. **A – time; B – place; C – cause**
- 2a. **everywhere, there**
- 3a. **True**
- 4a. **then**

Expected

- 5a. **A – time; B – place; C – cause**
- 6a. **lately, already**
- 7a. **True**
- 8a. **furthermore**

Greater Depth

- 9a. **A – place; B – time; C – cause**
- 10a. **owing to, hence**
- 11a. **False, 'due to' is an adverb of cause.**
- 12a. **Accept any suitable replacement for the adverb of place 'up'. Various answers, for example: down**

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Developing

- 1b. **A – cause; B – place; C – time**
- 2b. **next, then**
- 3b. **True**
- 4b. **because**

Expected

- 5b. **A – cause; B – time; C – place**
- 6b. **otherwise, furthermore**
- 7b. **False, 'however' is an adverb of cause.**
- 8b. **out**

Greater Depth

- 9b. **A – cause; B – place; C – time**
- 10b. **over, down**
- 11b. **False, 'already' is an adverb of time and 'outside' is an adverb of place.**
- 12b. **Accept any suitable replacement for the adverb of time 'beforehand'. Various answers, for example: afterwards**