When, where or how? Answers and notes

What your child practised: finding adverbials and sorting them into when, where and how (Year 4).

Page 1 · Warm up

yesterday **when** · under the bed **where** · carefully **how** · next week **when** · in the garden **where**

Page 2 · Try it together

Answers will vary. Check each one by fitting it into a sentence.

Page 2 · A. Sort

When: at midnight, last summer, soon
Where: behind the shed, on the roof, across the field
How: slowly, with a big smile, gently

Page 3 · D. Odd one out

1. **in the attic** (where; the rest say when)
2. **carefully** (how; the rest say where)

Page 3 · B. Underline

1. in the dark wood where · 2. before breakfast when · 3. very quietly how · 4. Every Saturday when · 5. under the sofa where

Page 3 · C. Finish it

Answers will vary, e.g. sang **loudly** / **with joy** · found a shell **on the beach** · go to the beach **tomorrow** / **in August**.

Page 3 · Challenge

No. "In the morning" answers **when?**, so it's a when adverbial. "In" can start when phrases and where phrases: ask the question, don't look at the first word.

Watch out for

- **Mixing up when and where**, often because both can start with in, at or on (at noon / at the station). Ask: "Could you point to it on a map, or on a clock?"
- **Mixing up how with when or where.** "How" adverbials describe the way something is done (slowly, with care). Try acting the sentence out: if it changes how you move, it's a how.
- **Underlining too little**, like "dark" instead of "in the dark wood". The adverbial is the whole group of words that answers the question.

Going further (5 minutes, no paper)

- **Teatime call-out:** take turns saying a phrase like "under the table", "after school" or "very slowly"; the other calls out when, where or how.
- **Add a carriage:** say a short sentence ("The dog ran."). Take turns adding a when, where or how adverbial.
- **In the game:** Chapter 2, Fronted adverbials, moves the adverbial to the front of the sentence.