

ADVERBIALS (ADVERBS, ADVERBIAL PHRASES, ADVERBIAL CLAUSES)



An **adverb** is a single word.

An **adverbial phrase** is a group of

words forming a single piece of information - it does not contain a subject or a verb and is a part of a sentence.

An **adverbial clause** does contain a subject and a verb.

An **adverbial** is an **adverb**, **phrase** or **clause** that gives the reader more information about a verb (what is happening).

Remember that adverbials can tell you more about time, place, manner etc. (see the Verbs and adverbs sheet for more detail).

Examples of **adverbs**

The children run **quickly**.
Suddenly, the bus came to a halt.
You can take a prize **now**.

Examples of **adverbial phrases**

The children sat **in silence**.
At the end of the school day, some children go to after-school clubs.
It's difficult for parents to park their cars **anywhere near the school**.

Examples of **adverbial clauses**

Keep beating the drum **until I tell you to stop**.
During a day that was packed with activities, the children had the opportunity to try many new things.
I don't have a bank account **as I'm not old enough yet**.



Adverbials appearing at the start of a sentence are known as **fronted adverbials**.