

Adverbial phrases

An **adverbial phrase** is a group of words that tells **how, when, where** and **why** something is happening in a sentence — just like an adverb. *Example:* I hung my wet robe **behind the door**.

Write whether the underlined adverbial phrases say **how, when, where** or **why**.

- Large waves smash on the rocks along this coast.
- Between her two jobs, Mum bakes cakes.
- Riding a bike without a helmet can be dangerous.
- Before going to the play, I didn't like drama.
- We're going to Uluru for a holiday.

Prepositions in adverbial phrases

Remember! **Adverbial phrases** usually begin with a **preposition**.

Example: I walked home during the storm.

Choose a preposition from the box to complete each sentence.

until during above without before

- The balloon flew high _____ the smoke.
- _____ warning, the waves crashed around our feet.
- The storm raged _____ early the next morning.
- The space ship landed _____ running out of fuel.
- Huge leaves fell from the tree _____ the hail storm.

Unjumble the prepositions and write them correctly. The first two letters are correct.

- Mum hid from Dad **bendih** (_____) the door.
- The men made their way **toswrad** (_____) the mountain.
- She couldn't leave the cake **witohtu** (_____) tasting the icing.

Score 2 points for each correct answer! SCORE /26 0-10 12-20 22-26

Phonic Knowledge & Spelling

Homophones

Remember! **Homophones** are words that have the same sound, but they are spelt differently and have different meanings.

Examples: blue, blew knew, new meat, meet

Choose a word from the box to match with its homophone.

rose cheque eight flower rain wring

- ate _____
- ring _____
- check _____
- reign _____
- rows _____
- flour _____



Choose words from the box to finish the sentences. These words come from the Dutch language.

cookies waffles snack boss

- When I get home from school, I like to have a _____.
- _____ and cream is my favourite ice-cream.
- For breakfast we sometimes have _____.
- My mother's new _____ at work is Mrs Vincent.

Match the plural words in the box with their meaning.

dice deer aircraft offspring

- A number of aeroplanes: _____
- More than one young of an animal: _____
- English animals: _____
- People often play games with these: _____

Score 2 points for each correct answer! SCORE /28 0-12 14-22 24-28

Reading & Comprehension

Cockroaches are Not the Bad Guys!

Persuasive text – Discussion
Author – Peter Alford

Cockroaches are amazingly important and beautiful little creatures. If there were to be a terrible war, cockroaches would be the only creatures to survive.

True, they may be a little unpleasant, but they have brilliant manners. Unlike flies, they do not interfere when families are having barbecues. Sure, they smell a little, but every creature has that teeny weeny problem.

Because they just love eating rubbish, we would all be worse off for them being eliminated. Rubbish is broken down by these wonder warriors of the insect world. Less rubbish means less disease.

Cockroaches may well become the pet of the future. Well behaved, they cause little noise at night. Unlike dogs, they do not bark, and unlike cats, they do not kill native creatures.



Write or circle the correct answer.

- What does 'much poorer for them being eliminated' mean?
 - It would be great if cockroaches were to die out.
 - Losing cockroaches would mean that we have little money.
 - Cockroaches are useful and would be missed.
- What dirty insects are cockroaches compared with? _____
- Why would cockroaches make better pets than dogs? _____

5 Which animals are troubled by cats? _____

6 What small problem do cockroaches have? _____

7 What type of text is this?

- a report from a scientist
- a subjective text – opinion, thinking, feeling language
- a report from a doctor

Score 2 points for each correct answer! SCORE /14 0-4 6-10 12-14

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