

A note for parents: A fronted adverbial is a word, phrase or clause that is placed at the start of a sentence. They are used to explain **how (manner)**, **when (time)** or **where (place)** something happens. A fronted adverbial is separated from the main clause with a comma. For example:

**Like a speeding bullet**, Superman flew through the sky.

# How Did It Happen?

## Fronted Adverbials for Manner

Add a fronted adverbial for manner to each of the sentences below. You can use the suggested manner adverbials in the box below or you can think of some of your own. Remember, you must add a comma after the fronted adverbial.

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|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
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| Nervously                    | Like tall giants | With some trepidation |
|                              |                  | As quick as a flash   |

- \_\_\_\_\_ the baby began to cry.
- \_\_\_\_\_ the young boy changed into his PE kit.
- \_\_\_\_\_ the mountains stood watching over the valley.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Veronica blew out the candles on her birthday cake.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Jason crossed the finishing line of the marathon.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Imran went on the ghost train at the fair.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Fiona stepped on stage to sing in front of the judges.

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1. **Without warning**, the baby began to cry.
2. **As quick as a flash**, the young boy changed into his PE kit.
3. **Like tall giants**, the mountains stood watching over the valley.
4. **With a huge grin on her face**, Veronica blew out the candles on her birthday cake.
5. **Completely exhausted**, Jason crossed the finishing line of the marathon.
6. **With some trepidation**, Imran went on the ghost train at the fair.
7. **Nervously**, Fiona stepped on stage to sing in front of the judges.