

Daily Reading: The Man Who Bought a Mountain 4

Aim: I can recognise, create and punctuate fronted adverbials.



This activity sheet relates to the **Daily Reading video** for Chapter 4 of The Man Who Bought a Mountain.

Chapter 4

During the Video



Watch the video, where you will hear Chapter 4 being read to you. There will be some questions to answer during this video. You may choose to write your answers to these questions here. If you decide to do this, pause the video to give yourself time to write.

1. **Eventually, Yash could stand the silence no more. “Why are you so determined to ruin our lives as well as our mountain?”** What extra information does ‘Eventually’ tell us? Does it tell us why, where or when? (p.29)

why

where

when

2. Which part of this sentence is the fronted adverbial? (p.30)
In the far distance, snow-capped summits glistened in the sunlight.

3. What extra information does the fronted adverbial tell us?

how

where

when

4. Underline the three fronted adverbials in this paragraph. (p.33)
Stepping lightly, he crept a little closer. From above the corrugated roof of the sage’s dwelling, he could make out the sound of their muffled conversation inside. On his knees, he edged closer still, holding a tree stump to keep his balance.

After the Video



Answer these questions after watching the video. Look carefully in the eBook for the answers and use what you have learned in the first section.

5. Underline the fronted adverbial in this paragraph. (p.27)
The entire village seemed to hold its breath. After a few seconds, the rumble of the surrounding machines dropped and the great bulldozer squealed to a halt.

6. All of these sentences have a fronted adverbial for when. Add one comma to each sentence after the fronted adverbial.

After several more minutes of discussion Bhubakta marched from Goldlaw over to Yash.

Before they could leave a flustered-looking woman carrying a portable computer tottered over to Goldlaw and spluttered, "Sir, our first detonation is planned for 2 p.m. Shall I cancel the order as a precaution?"

Finally Goldlaw heaved himself onto the rocky outcrop and paused, bent double, to draw a few deep, shuddering breaths.

When he eventually regained his composure he forced himself upright... and his jaw dropped.

7. Why do you think Goldlaw's 'jaw dropped'? (p.30)

8. What is unusual about the way the sage refers to Yash?

Deeper Reading



9. What do you think is in the parcel of leaves that the sage keeps giving to Yash?

10. The author has hidden a clue about what might happen next at the bottom of page 28. Use the last two paragraphs on this page to make a prediction about what might happen in Chapter 5.

Related Activity



Complete the **Fronted Adverbial or Not? Activity**. Sort the cards into two sets: sentences with a fronted adverbial, and sentences without.