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Adverbial Phrases

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An **adverbial phrase** is a group of words that tells us more about the verb it modifies. It answers questions like *how*, *when*, or *where* something happens.

- How? For example "with a smile" - *She spoke with a smile.*
- When? For example "after school" - *He ran after school.*
- Where? For example "at the park" - *They played at the park.*

Something to note is that, although prepositional phrases often act as adverbial phrases, adverbial phrases are not always prepositional phrases. Adverbial phrases can also include other types of phrases that modify the verb, like a group of words built around an adverb. An example of this is "*She danced very gracefully.*" The adverbial phrase "*very gracefully*" doesn't contain any prepositions.

Directions:

Match the sentence with the correct adverbial phrase.

1. **She laughed** _____

- a.) with much joy
- b.) extremely quietly
- c.) in the garden

2. **The boy jumped** _____

- a.) at noon
- b.) before dinner
- c.) over the fence

3. **We ate lunch** _____

- a.) too late
- b.) after the rain
- c.) during recess

4. **They sang** _____

- a.) very loudly
- b.) under the stars
- c.) during the storm

5. **The bird flew** _____

- a.) with great joy
- b.) quite angrily
- c.) in the sky

6. **We will eat breakfast** _____

- a.) at the table
- b.) in the afternoon
- c.) very late