

Sometimes the adverb or adverbial phrase can be put at the beginning of a sentence. Here are some examples, but they have not been finished. Complete the sentences below.



1. Luckily, .....
2. If I have the time, .....
3. Suddenly, .....
4. While I was waiting for a train, .....
5. Every time he told a joke, .....
6. Since it is your birthday, .....



Change these sentences, putting the adverbs at the start of the sentence. I have done one for you.  
It is usual to put a comma in when you do this.

7. I heard the news later that evening. *Later that evening, I heard the news.*
8. The waitress eventually served the meal. ....
9. A black dog sat next to the old man. ....
10. Sam went to sleep after dinner. ....
11. The books lay heaped in a pile. ....
12. I went to see a great film last week. ....

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1. Carefully, .....
2. Every playtime, .....
3. Earlier than expected,.....
4. Accidentally, .....
5. As soon as the wind died down, .....
6. Fiercely, .....



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7. I play football every evening.                      *Every evening, I play football.*
8. The snow came in the middle of winter. ....
9. The children shouted as they played the game.....
10. Sam buys two DVDs every month. ....
11. Harry finished his meal as quickly as possible. ....
12. Everyone shook hands after the game. ....



Answers

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1-6. Sentences completed.

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| 7. I heard the news later that evening.     | <i>Later that evening, I heard the news.</i>     |
| 8. The waitress eventually served the meal. | <i>Eventually, the waitress served the meal.</i> |
| 9. A black dog sat next to the old man.     | <i>Next to the old man, sat a black dog.</i>     |
| 10. Sam went to sleep after dinner.         | <i>After dinner, Sam went to sleep.</i>          |
| 11. The books lay heaped in a pile.         | <i>Heaped in a pile, lay the books.</i>          |
| 12. I went to see a great film last week.   | <i>Last week, I went to see a great film.</i>    |

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| 7. I play football every evening.                   | <i>Every evening, I play football.</i>                  |
| 8. The snow came in the middle of winter.           | <i>In the middle of winter, the snow came.</i>          |
| 9. The children shouted as they played the game.    | <i>As they played the game, the children shouted.</i>   |
| 10. Sam buys two DVDs every month.                  | <i>Every month, Sam buys two DVDs.</i>                  |
| 11. Harry finished his meal as quickly as possible. | <i>As quickly as possible, Harry finished his meal.</i> |
| 12. Everyone shook hands after the game.            | <i>After the game, everyone shook hands.</i>            |