

At last

Smiling
happily

As soon as

As evening
approached

While

Soon after

Out of
the blue

All of a
sudden

Feeling
worried

Even though

Despite
feeling

Considering
the options

Holding on

Suddenly

As quick
as a flash

As time
went on

Fortunately

Quickly

Meanwhile

Luckily

Besides

Heart
beating

Fronted Adverbials

Fronted Adverbials are words or phrases at the beginning of a sentence which are used to describe the action that follows.

Time	Frequency	Place	Manner	Possibility
Afterwards, Already, Always, Immediately, Last month, Now, Soon, Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow, Next year, In January, On Tuesday, In the morning, After a while, As soon as she could, Before long, All of a sudden, In the blink of an eye, Just then, Eventually, Later,	Often, Again, Daily, Weekly, Fortnightly, Yearly, Sometimes, Rarely, Every second, Twice a year, Once a minute, Once, Once or twice, Three times, Constantly, Regularly, Frequently, Infrequently, Occasionally, Rarely, Never in my life, Never before,	Above the clouds, Below the sea, Here, Outside, Over there, There, Under the ground, Upstairs, In the distance, Between the sea and the sky, Everywhere she looked, Around the tent, Back at the house, Nearby, Down by the cliffs, Behind the shed, In the wooden box, Over my bed, Somewhere near here, Far away, Wherever they went, North of here,	Sadly, Slowly, Happily, Awkwardly, Bravely, Like a ... , As quick as a flash, As fast as he could, Without a sound, Without warning, Unexpectedly, Unfortunately, Suddenly, Mysteriously, Frantically, Anxiously, Courageously, Silently, Curiously, Nervously, Rapidly, Carefully,	Almost unbelievably, Much admired, Nearly asleep, Quite understandably, Really happily, Perhaps, Maybe, Just arrived, Certainly amused, Obviously angry, Definitely confused, Completely exhausted, Barely alive, Out of breath, Decidedly unimpressed, Perfectly confident, Positively trembling with excitement, Purely practically, Somewhat flustered, Utterly joyous, Totally overwhelmed,



-ly Openers to Build Tension

Cautiously creeping down the pathway,
Swiftly running for cover,
Calmly working out their escape route,
Horribly wounded and barely breathing,
Desperately looking for a way out,
Frustratingly coming to another dead end,
Exhaustedly hammering on the front door,
Bewilderedly searching for daylight,
Ridiculously lost and running out of time,
Ferociously growling at the helpless sisters,
Aggressively brandishing her weapon,

-ly Openers to Convey Characters' Feelings

Embarrassingly late again,
Shockingly moved by the harrowing story,
Excitingly tearing open her Christmas presents,
Disappointedly finishing last in the race,
Gleefully skipping into school,
Proudly watching the children playing,
Regrettably informing the passengers,
Critically glaring around the room,
Furiously scolding the workers,
Nervously walking up to the front,
Miserably packing up her things,

-ly Openers to Describe Settings

Strikingly beautiful,
Gradually appearing through the trees,
Unimpressively early,
Lusciously moist and teeming with wildlife,
Vividly bright and colourful,
Perfectly warm and comfortable,
Terribly later than planned,
Stunningly impressive,
Shockingly cold and windy,
Magnificently imposing and bathed in sunlight,
Extravagantly decorated and luxurious,

-ly Openers to Add Action

Silently moving through the dead of the night,
Athletically sprinting for the bus,
Noisily slurping his milkshake,
Painfully limping on her twisted ankle,
Boisterously play fighting,
Restlessly fidgeting in her seat,
Pathetically shuffling along the road,
Hurriedly getting dressed,
Carefully avoiding the giant spider webs,
Comically rolling out of bed,
Abruptly coming to a standstill,



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