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Wolf

What can you  
remember about  
fronted adverbials?

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Crow

A fronted adverbial is a word or phrase used at the **beginning of a sentence** that modifies the sentence by telling us **how, when** or **where** something happens.

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What different kinds of fronted adverbials can you remember?



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**-ing word**

e.g. Shaking with fear, ...

**Simile**

e.g. Like a raging bull, ...

**-ed word**

e.g. Exhausted, ...

**Adverb**

e.g. Anxiously, ...

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Can you think of a different example for each of these?

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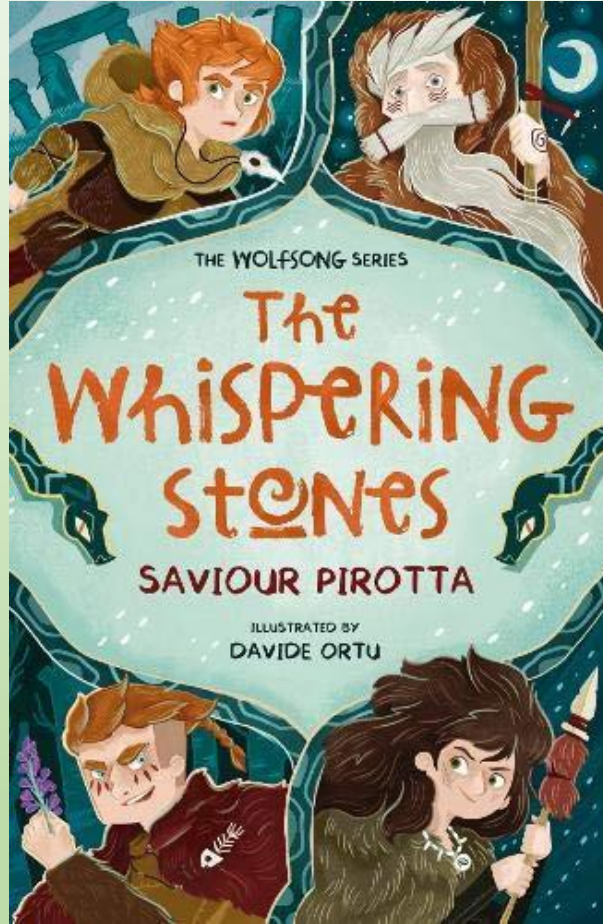
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Now listen to our next extract from  
The Whispering Stones.

(from 'But talking about Crow' pg 25 –  
bright light on page 28)

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Listen carefully to this part of the story.

My father and the axe maker moved aside the burial mound's stone door, revealing the dark passage inside. The sun was about to rise. The seagulls wheeled around in the air, cawing loudly. Huge waves crashed against the shore below the village. I could feel a mysterious power in the air.



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How could you improve some of the sentences by adding fronted adverbials?

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Share your ideas..

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Here is an example of how you could use each kind of fronted adverbial.

**Bravely**, My father and the axe maker moved aside the burial mound's stone door, revealing the dark passage inside. **Refreshed**, the sun was about to rise. **As fast as rockets**, seagulls wheeled around in the air, cawing loudly. Huge waves crashed against the shore below the village. **Shivering with excitement**, I could feel a mysterious power in the air.

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**A comma**

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Your task today is to improve another part of the story by using fronted adverbials.

There are two activities to choose from:

1. To add fronted adverbials to the extract.
2. To rewrite the extract in your own words including fronted adverbials.

Choose the activity that feels right for you.

There is a challenge for both activities!

© Can you use a comma after your fronted adverbials?

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Here is the extract to improve with fronted adverbials.

There are two activity sheets on the website. Choose the one that feels right for you.

The first rays of the sun shone across the sky. The sea and snow-covered land glowed a warm pink. The birds took to the air in great swooping clouds. I watched as the sun reached though the open doors of the burial chamber. The burial chamber filled with bright light.

#### ACTIVITY 1

Can you add different types of fronted adverbials to the beginnings of the sentences in this extract? Think carefully about fronted adverbials that will make sense.

You could use:

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axe maker moved aside the burial mound's stone door, revealing the dark  
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#### ACTIVITY 2

Rewrite this extract in your own words including fronted adverbials. Think carefully about fronted adverbials that will make sense.

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