**Learning Objective**

We can use a fronted adverbial to show when, where or how something happened.

**Challenge 1**

**Using link lines, match each fronted adverbial to the correct main clause.**

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| In front of the presenter,  |
| Using its hairy paws, |
| In the underground den,  |
| In a flash, |
| Using its large ears,  |
| Together,  |

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| the family of fennec foxes avoid the heat. |
| the desert lizard disappeared into the sand. |
| the fennec fox is able to hear the heartbeat of a mouse hiding under the sand.  |
| the fennec fox showed off its enormous ears. |
| the pair of foxes were searching for food.  |
| the fennec fox easily digs through the sand to catch its prey.  |

**Challenge 2
Rewrite the sentences below so that the adverbial phrase is at the front, separated from the rest of the sentence by a comma.**

**e.g. Male fennec foxes mark their territory with urine just like dogs.
Just like dogs, male fennec foxes mark their territory with urine.**

1) The fennec fox sleeps in its sandy den all day long.

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## 2) Their thick fur keeps them warm during cold nights.

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## 3) They dig quickly once they hear their prey.

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## 4) The fox’s enormous ears were twitching in the heat of the desert.

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## 5) The fox cubs (kits) were play fighting as the sun was setting.

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**Challenge 3
After two long, hot days trekking through the vast Sahara Desert, you finally encounter a family (or skulk) of fennec foxes – a mother, a father and their kit (a baby fox). Write about this once-in-a-lifetime experience using some of the descriptive words from the Word Wall. Try to include at least 2 sentences that start with a fronted adverbial. (Remember – fronted adverbials give the reader information about when, where or how an action took place.)**



**Word Wall**

Sahara Desert

sandstorm

fennec fox

towering sand dune

shifting sand

searching

scurried

furry

oversized

scorching

bat-like ears