

Delayed Adjectives and Adverbs Worksheet

Part 1 Directions:

Identify whether each sentence has a delayed adjective, or a delayed adverb. On the blank, write "delayed adjective" or "delayed adverb". Underline the delayed adjective or adverb in each sentence.

1. _____ Jem opened the gate, slowly as possible, lifting it aside and resting it on the fence.
2. _____ Jonas, suddenly and grimly, remembered the time in his childhood when he had been chastised for misusing a word.
3. _____ He forgot that his Lesser Warders were watching, afraid to interfere.
4. _____ Finally, when he stood up, slowly and stiffly, his face was hard and tight as wood, his eyes were hard.
5. _____ The baby's eyes were the shape of watermelon seeds, very black and cut very precisely into her small, solemn face.
6. _____ I shivered as he tossed the feathered corpse of the dead chicken, limp as a cloth, into the back of the truck.

Part 2 Directions:

Add a delayed **adjective** to the following sentences:

1. The tyrannosaurus's head moved close to the car, _____, and peered in.
2. The dog barked once, _____.

Part 3 Directions:

Add a delayed **adverb** to the following sentences:

1. The tyrannosaurus's head moved close to the car, _____, and peered in.
2. The dog barked once, _____.

Review: Opening Adjectives and Adverbs

Part 4 Directions:

Identify whether each sentence has an opening adjective, or an opening adverb. On the blank, write "opening adjective" or "opening adverb". Underline the opening adjective or adverb in each sentence.

1. _____ Now, cautiously and slowly, he got up.
2. _____ Hungry, Thomas ate two portions of meat, nothing else.
3. _____ Further south, they saw the graceful necks of the apatosaurs, standing at the water's edge, their bodies mirrored in the moving surface.
4. _____ Rain-drenched, fresh, vital, full of life, spring enveloped all of us.
5. _____ Clad in royal purple and ermine furs, he seated upon a throne which was at the same time both simple and majestic.
6. _____ Desperate, Frodo drew his own sword, and it seemed to him that it flickered red, as if it were a firebrand.
7. _____ Twice, he looked around the train car desperately.