

Linking Paragraphs

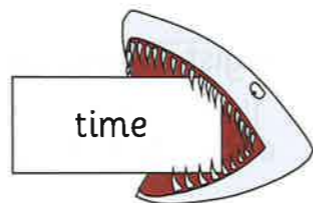


You can also use **adverbs** and other **adverbial phrases** to link paragraphs together smoothly.

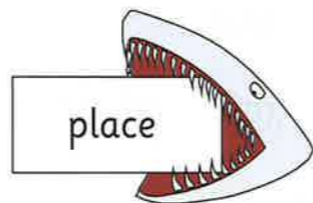
It was four o'clock, and old Mr Coxton was sleeping soundly in his chair. **Nearby**, Mrs Smith was weeding her garden. She sang as she went along.

1 Read each of these **paragraph beginnings**. Draw a line to show whether the **underlined word or phrase** shows a change in **time**, **place** or **number**.

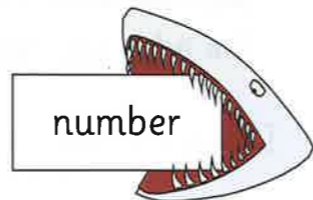
Later, the nurse looked at my ankle. She said it was broken in two places.



Thirdly, I started to screw the different pieces together, one at a time.



At Grandad's house, Clare set up the chessboard and made two cups of tea.



2 Draw lines to show whether each **word or phrase** would link paragraphs by **time**, **place** or **number**.

in Ian's room	before breakfast	at the garage
this week	PLACE	fourthly
secondly	NUMBER	above that
next to him	TIME	behind me
thirdly		every day
at 5 pm		firstly

3 Use one of the **words or phrases** from the middle row to **link** these paragraphs.

In the morning, George went to buy the ingredients for his lemon cake. It took over an hour.

....., he started mixing and measuring.

Secondly, I covered the exercise book in colourful patterned paper.

....., I used some sticky plastic to make the book waterproof and keep it looking neat.

That afternoon

Under the table

Last week

Thirdly

My brother Jeremy loves doing science experiments — even in the house!

....., he mixed lots of Mum's hair products together. It exploded everywhere!

I was really enjoying the spaghetti Dad had made for tea, but I kept dropping bits accidentally.

....., our cat was eating the scraps, but he couldn't manage the spaghetti!

4 Write the **first two sentences** of the **next paragraph** in each story, **starting with an adverbial phrase**. **Underline your adverbial phrase** once you've written it.

PC Collins started searching the alleyway first. He couldn't find any of the missing jewels. PC Gregson suggested they look elsewhere.

Our whole house was silent. Slowly, I eased open my door and crept downstairs to the kitchen. I flicked on a light and moved towards the fridge.

"I can use adverbial phrases to link paragraphs."

