Prepositions

Practice A

Underline the prepositional phrases in the following passage. Then, identify each prepositional phrase by writing either [ADJ] for a prepositional phrase used as an adjective or [ADV] for a prepositional phrase used as an adverb.

The barking dog chased the frantic squirrel around the house and under a bush. It was a scene of pathetic comedy. For several moments the squirrel's escape seemed hopeless, but fortune suddenly reversed itself. The dog collapsed in exhaustion, and we breathed a sigh of relief.

Practice B

Underline and identify the prepositions in the passage below.

A strangely familiar portrait faced me during my dinner at the ancestral estate. Because I am not usually superstitious, I felt upset by the effect of that experience. Oh, that portrait gave me nightmares for days, but they finally stopped when I investigated the history of the house and its owner. The subject of the portrait was an ancestor of mine and had fallen to a grisly death in the previous century.

Conjunctions

Practice A

Underline and identify the conjunctions in the passage below.

Although Lady Grimshaw offered us both tea and coffee, we refused to take advantage of her hospitality, for the hour was late; however, we agreed to return within a few days.

Practice B

Underline and identify the conjunctions in the passage below.

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