

A Warm-up

Write a sentence about computers.

- In the past, people mainly used computers at work.
- Today, most people have computers at home.
- In the future, children might have all their lessons on computers.

Underline the word that is **not** correct.

- decide recent recide recite decent
- sacrifice menace advice revice reduce

Write the antonym.

- inferior** superior
- backhand** forehand
- minor** major
- exterior** interior
- expansion** contraction

PART A Focus
1–3: linking adverbials;
past, present, future time
4–5: s sound spelt c
6–10: antonyms

B Word work

- Add the missing letters.

i e y

v a r i e t y m y s t e r y

PART B Focus
1–2: spelling patterns;
plural rules
3–6: unstressed endings
er, or
7–10: words with two
meanings; word classes

- Write the plural forms of both words.

varieties mysteries

- Add the suffix **er** or **or**.

perform er invent or collect or

- Describe the words you have created.

Nouns naming people who carry out particular activities.

Write three more words of this type.

- ending **er** voyager, manager, jogger
- ending **or** creator, sailor, doctor

Write different definitions of each word.

- hamper** (verb) to stop or slow progress
- hamper** (noun) large basket for picnic food
- coast** (verb) to cruise along
- coast** (noun) where land meets sea

C Sentence work

Add a preposition phrase to the start of the sentence.

- In the tunnel, it was completely dark.
- By seven o'clock, it was completely dark.
- At the edge of the forest, the man turned and spoke.
- Without warning, the man turned and spoke.

PART C Focus
1–4: preposition phrases at the start of a sentence; commas after fronted adverbials
5–7: formal vocabulary
8–10: punctuating direct speech

Write more formal verbs that could replace the underlined words.

- The RSPCA asked people to help as it tried to cope with the crisis. urged, assist, struggled, manage
- Residents left the meeting, saying that the situation had not been sorted.
departed, declaring, resolved
- If you want further information, go to the website where you can find out more.
require, visit, discover

Add punctuation and capital letters to these examples of direct speech.

- Indira said, "It is very sad. We all feel let down."
- "It's not fair," Mick complained. "I want to go with you."
- "It was bitterly cold," explained Bill, "and the streets were covered with ice."