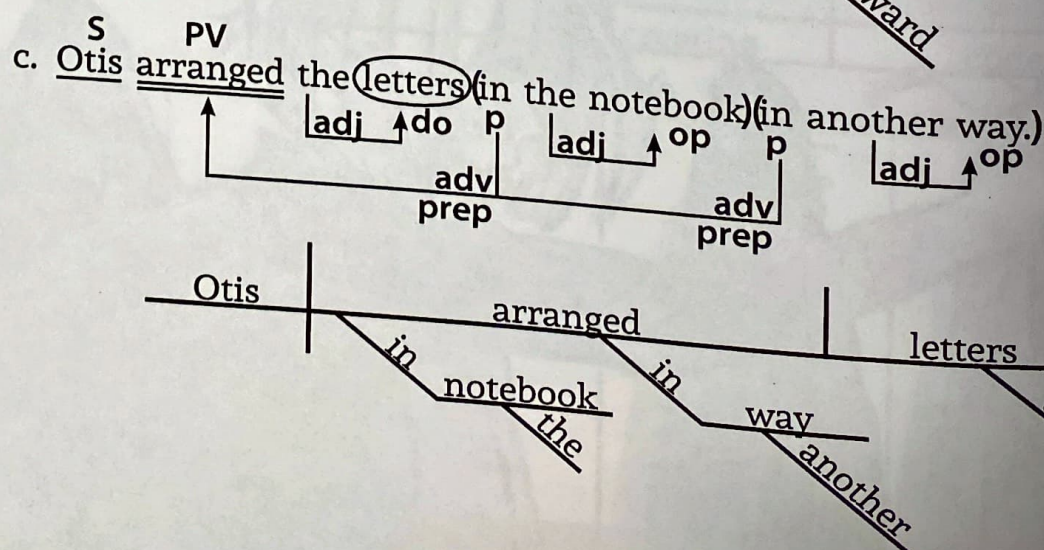
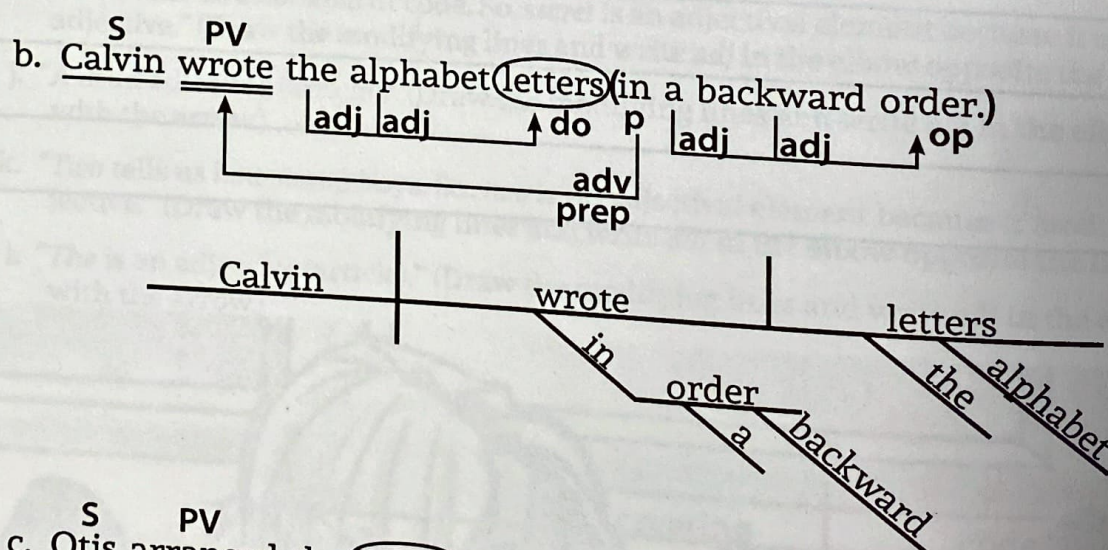
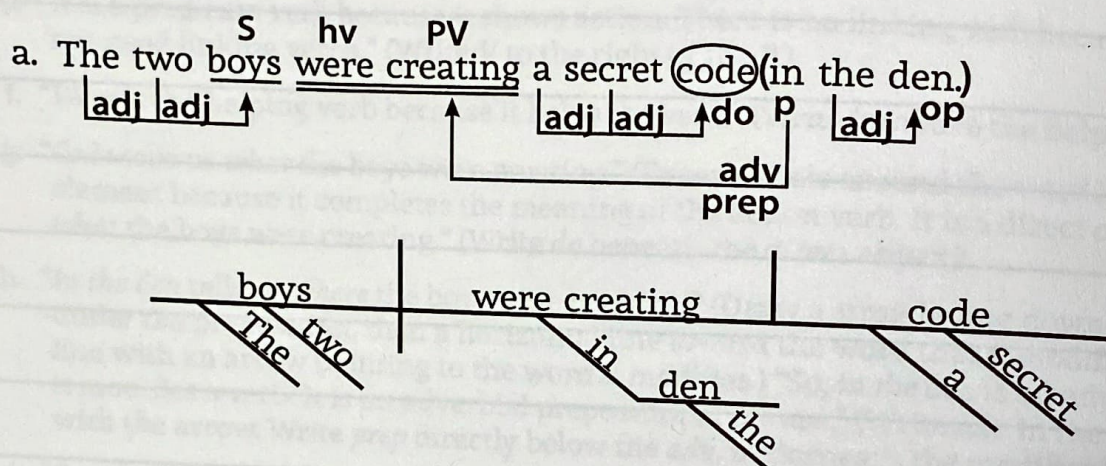


Lesson to Learn

Prepositional Phrases

1. Analyze the following sentences, and then diagram them in the space provided. Use a ruler to draw the lines.



Lesson to Learn

Prepositional Phrases

2. Imagine that Calvin and Otis have finished creating their secret code and want to share it with someone. Then, write a sentence about *codes* that contains a *prepositional phrase*.

The boys sent the codes to the girls.

3. On the lines provided, list *twenty* of the common prepositions you've learned.

Answers will vary. The following is a complete list of the forty-seven prepositions students

have learned: aboard, about, above, across, after, against, along, among, around, before, be-

hind, below, beneath, beside, between, beyond, at, by, down, during, except, for, from, inside,

in, into, near, of, off, on, out, outside, over, past, since, through, throughout, to, toward, under,

up, until, upon, with, within, without, underneath.

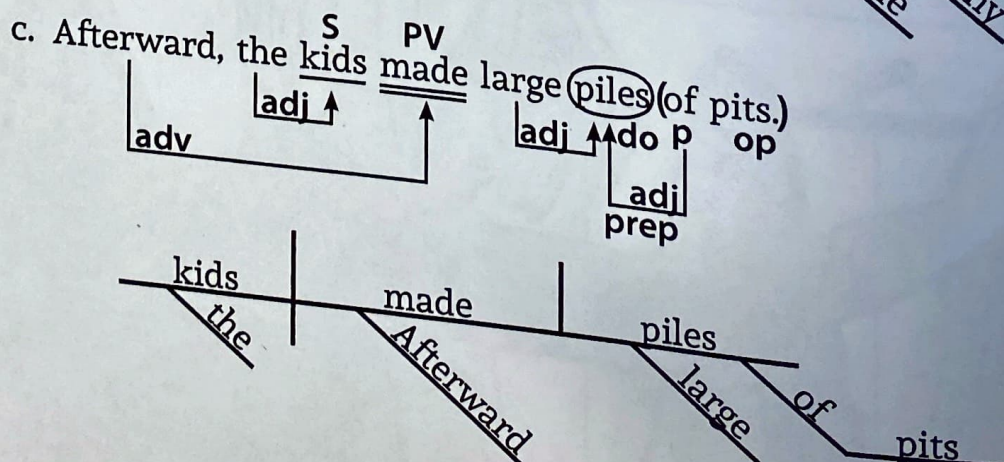
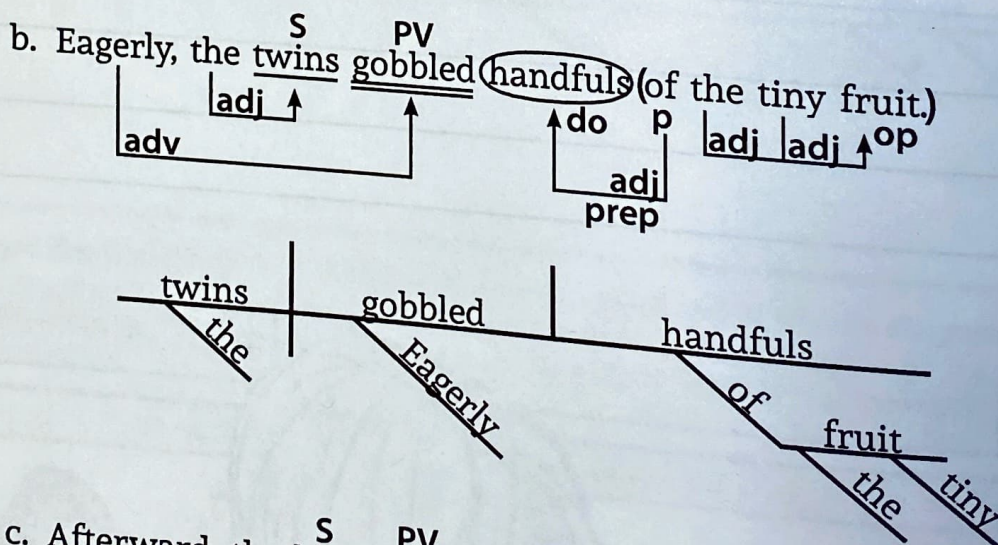
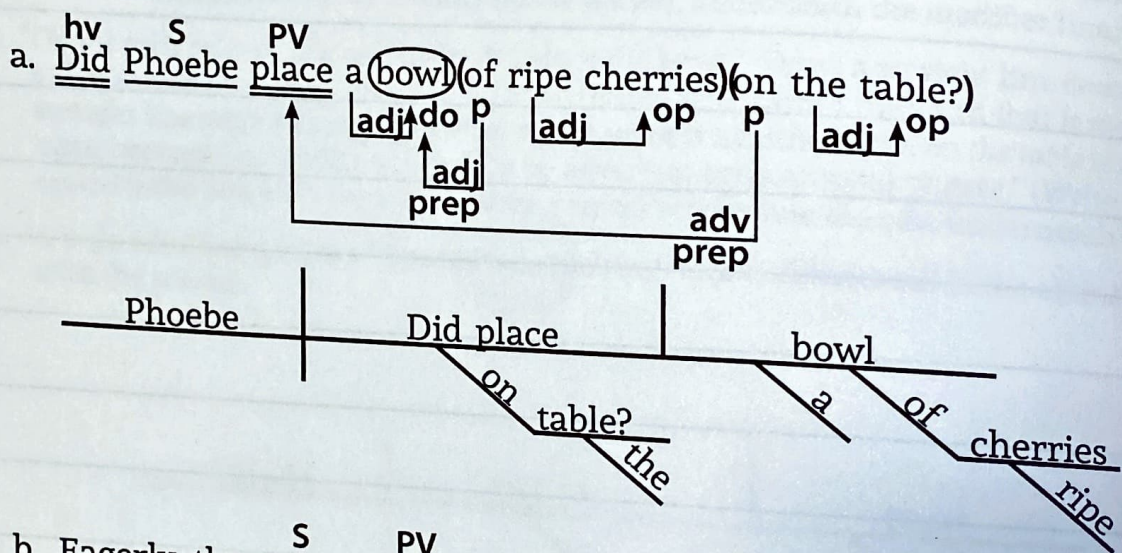
From the Sideline: The students will likely list the first twenty of the prepositions from the chant they have memorized. In Lessons B and C, they will be challenged to list prepositions that do not start with *a* or *b*. These three exercises break the list up in order to help the students memorize all forty-seven of the most common prepositions. Then, the quiz (found in the Practice & Assessments PDF) asks them to list all forty-seven. The PDF also includes a practice sheet, called Prepositions to Remember, for listing them all.



Lesson to Learn

Prepositional Phrases

1. Analyze the following sentences, and then diagram them in the space provided. Use a ruler to draw the lines.



Lesson to Learn

Prepositional Phrases

2. Put parentheses around the prepositional phrases in the following sentences.

a. (Across the street,) the kids tossed snowballs (at the signpost.)

b. Suddenly a ball (of snow) flew (at Phoebe's back.)

c. Calvin quickly ducked (behind a tree) (near the garage.)

3. On the lines provided, list *twenty* prepositions that do *not* begin with *a* or *b*:

Answers will vary. The following is a list of all of the common prepositions that *do not* begin

with *a* or *b*: down, during, except, for, from, in, inside, into, near, of, off, on, out, outside, over,

past, since, through, throughout, to, toward, under, underneath, until, up, upon, with, within,

without.



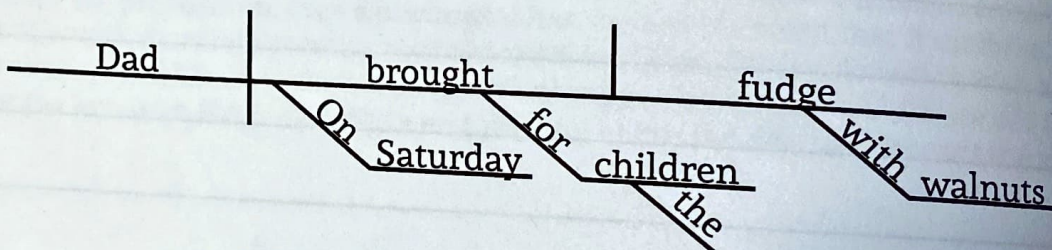
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Prepositional Phrases

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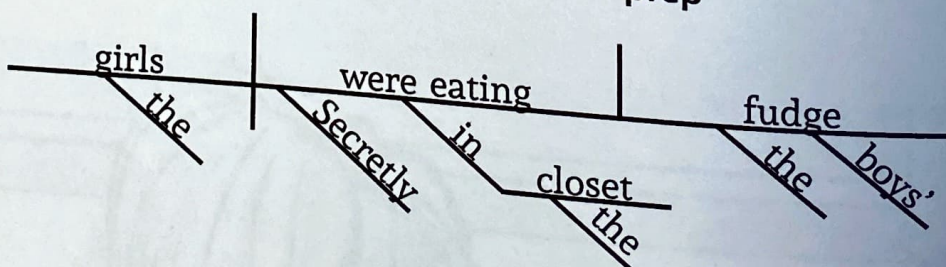
a. (On Saturday,) Dad brought (for the children) fudge (with walnuts.)

Diagram labels: S (above Dad), PV (above brought), p (above On Saturday), op (above Dad), p (above for the children), adj (above fudge), op (above with walnuts.), do (above fudge), p (above walnuts.), adv (below On Saturday), prep (below for the children), adj (below with walnuts.), prep (below walnuts.).



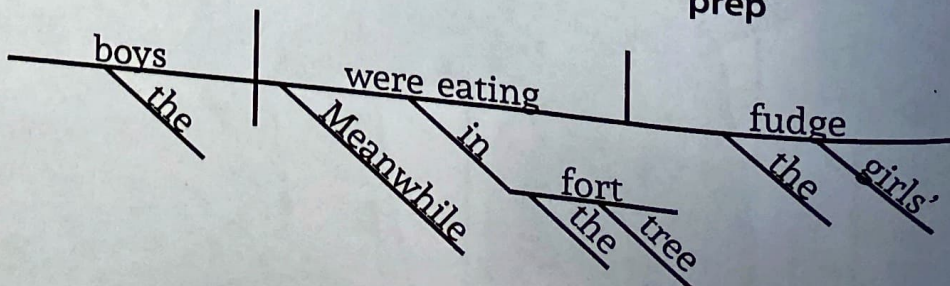
b. Secretly, the girls were eating the boys' fudge (in the closet.)

Diagram labels: S (above girls), hv (above were), PV (above eating), adv (below Secretly), adj (below girls), the (below girls), adj (below boys'), fudge (below boys'), in (below fudge), the (below closet), closet (below closet), do (below fudge), p (below closet.), adj (below in the closet.), op (below fudge).



c. Meanwhile, the boys were eating the girls' fudge (in the tree fort.)

Diagram labels: S (above boys), hv (above were), PV (above eating), adv (below Meanwhile), adj (below boys), the (below boys), adj (below girls'), fudge (below girls'), in (below fudge), the (below fort), fort (below fort), tree (below tree), do (below fudge), p (below fort.), adj (below in the tree fort.), op (below fudge).





Lesson to Learn

Prepositional Phrases

2. Imagine you received some fudge. Write one sentence about your favorite kind of *fudge*, being sure to include a *prepositional phrase*.

Fudge without nuts is best of all.

3. On the lines provided, list *twenty* prepositions beneath that *do not* begin with *a* or *b*.

Answers will vary. The following is a list of all of the common prepositions that do not begin

with *a* or *b*: down, during, except, for, from, in, inside, into, near, of, off, on, out, outside, over,

past, since, through, throughout, to, toward, under, underneath, until, up, upon, with, within,

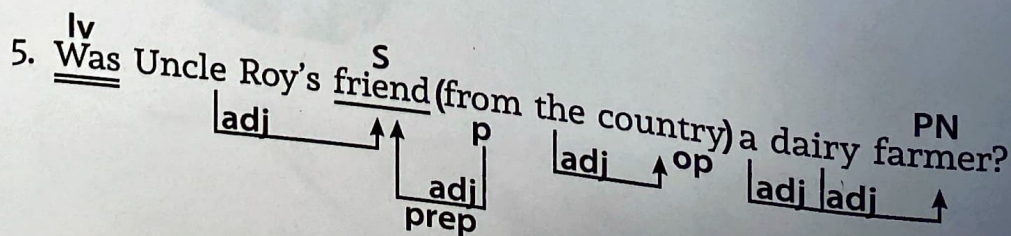
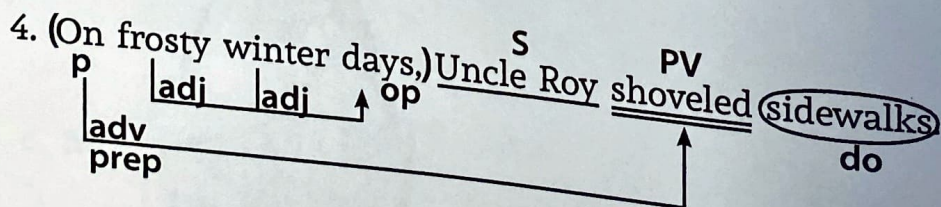
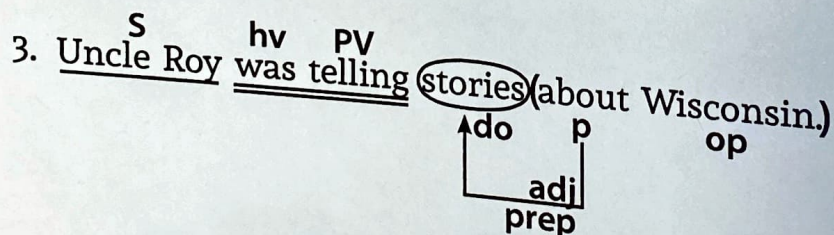
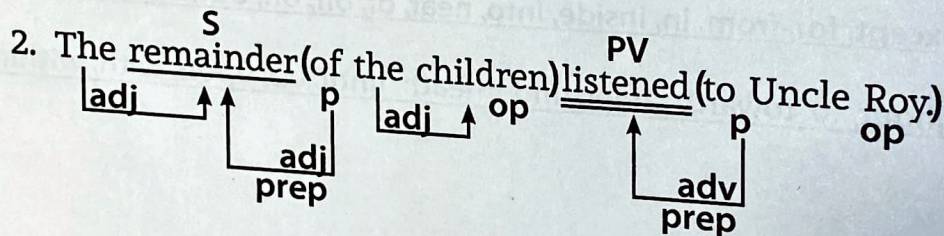
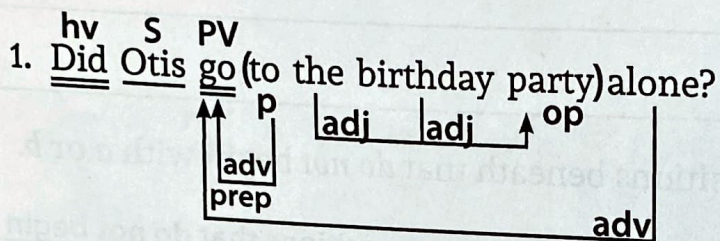
without.



Sentences for Practice

Prepositional Phrases

Analyze the following sentences.



Sentences for Practice

Prepositional Phrases

6. The two (of them) would often toboggan (on the giant hill.)
- Diagram: two (adj) ↑ of (p) ↑ them (op) | would (hv) | often (adv) ↑ toboggan (PV) | on (p) ↑ the (adv) ↑ giant (adv) ↑ hill (op)

toboggan: to coast on a long sled with a curved front

7. (At the barn,) Uncle Roy's buddy also would throw snowballs
- Diagram: At (p) ↑ the (adv) ↑ barn (op) | Uncle (adv) ↑ Roy's (adv) ↑ buddy (S) | also (adv) ↑ would (hv) ↑ throw (PV) | snowballs (do)

8. Once, a snowball broke a window (in the attic.)
- Diagram: Once (adv) ↑ a (adv) ↑ snowball (S) | broke (PV) | a (adv) ↑ window (S) | in (p) ↑ the (adv) ↑ attic (op)

9. Grandpa was angry (with Uncle Roy.)
- Diagram: Grandpa (S) | was (lv) | angry (PA) | with (p) ↑ Uncle (adv) ↑ Roy (op)

10. Uncle Roy bought a new window (for Grandpa.)
- Diagram: Uncle (adv) ↑ Roy (adv) ↑ bought (PV) | a (adv) ↑ new (adv) ↑ window (S) | for (p) ↑ Grandpa (op)



Sentences for Practice

Prepositional Phrases

Prepositions to Remember

List forty-seven prepositions.

1. aboard
2. about
3. above
4. across
5. after
6. against
7. along
8. among
9. around
10. before
11. behind
12. below
13. beneath
14. beside
15. between
16. beyond
17. at
18. by
19. down
20. during
21. except
22. for

23. from
24. inside
25. in
26. into
27. near
28. of
29. off
30. on
31. out
32. outside
33. over
34. past
35. since
36. through
37. throughout
38. to
39. toward
40. under
41. up
42. until
43. upon
44. with

45. within
46. without
47. underneath



Sentences for Practice—Tale

Prepositional Phrases

Analyze the following sentences, which retell an African folktale called "Samba Coward."

From the Side
These extra practice sentences are a synopsis of "Samba the Coward" folktale and extend the lesson notes are on the following pages.

1. The king (of the village) had one son.

Diagram: S (king) is modified by a prepositional phrase (of the village) where 'of' is the preposition and 'the village' is the object. 'king' is an adjective. 'had' is the main verb. 'one' is an adjective. 'son' is the object, circled, and is modified by the adjective 'do'.

2. Unfortunately, baby Samba was fearful.

Diagram: 'Unfortunately' is an adverb. 'baby' is an adjective. 'Samba' is the subject. 'was' is the main verb. 'fearful' is the predicate adjective.

3. Would Samba run (from the trumpet sound) (of an elephant?)

Diagram: 'Would' is a helping verb. 'Samba' is the subject. 'run' is the main verb. 'from the trumpet sound' is a prepositional phrase modifying 'run', with 'from' as the preposition and 'the trumpet sound' as the object. 'of an elephant?' is another prepositional phrase modifying 'run', with 'of' as the preposition and 'an elephant?' as the object. 'trumpet' and 'sound' are adjectives.

4. (In time,) Samba was a tall, pleasant youth.

Diagram: '(In time,)' is a prepositional phrase acting as an adverb. 'Samba' is the subject. 'was' is the main verb. 'a tall, pleasant youth' is the predicate noun phrase, where 'a' is an article, 'tall' and 'pleasant' are adjectives, and 'youth' is the noun.

5. Finally, the celebration (of Samba's passage) (into manhood) came.

Diagram: 'Finally' is an adverb. 'the' is an article. 'celebration' is the subject. '(of Samba's passage)' is a prepositional phrase modifying 'celebration', with 'of' as the preposition and 'Samba's passage' as the object. '(into manhood)' is another prepositional phrase modifying 'celebration', with 'into' as the preposition and 'manhood' as the object. 'came' is the main verb.

Sentences for Practice—Tale

Prepositional Phrases

6. (During the night,) lawless thieves took the herds away.

Diagram: (During the night,) [adv prep] lawless [adj] thieves [S] took [PV] the [adj] herds [do] away [adv].

7. Samba could not be found anywhere.

Diagram: Samba [S] could [lv] not [adv] be [lv] found [PA] anywhere [adv].

8. Did the party (of defenders) leave (without Samba?)

Diagram: Did [hv] the [adj] party [S] (of [p] defenders) [op] leave [PV] (without [p] Samba?) [op].

9. Samba came back (with a story) (of bravery.)

Diagram: Samba [S] came [PV] back [adv] (with [p] a story) [op] (of [p] bravery.) [op].

10. Sadly, the people would not believe the tale (at all.)

Diagram: Sadly [adv] the [adv] people [S] would [hv] not [adv] believe [PV] the [adv] tale [adj] (at [do] all.) [p op].

