

Dangling Modifiers

A dangling modifier modifies a word or phrase that is either placed too far from it or not clearly stated in a sentence.

Example: At the age of five, Dad taught to play the instrument.

In this sentence, "at the age of five" is a dangling modifier. According to the sentence, it's Dad who's at the age of five, which we know is not the case.

At the age of five, I was taught to play the instrument by Dad.

With the subject clearly stated and correctly placed, the sentence is easy to understand.

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1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) Strange and dreadful, the children were kept up.

5) Abounding in mysterious creatures, we were intrigued.

6) Playing baseball with friends, a train passed by.
