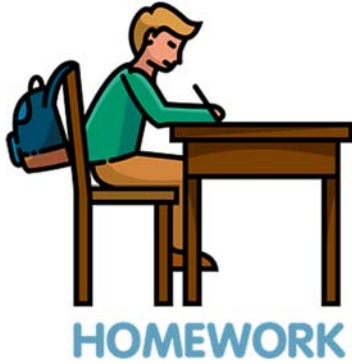


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Modifier Tune-Up

Directions: Use the **Editing Checklist** below to help you spot and fix errors in modifier placement. Then apply the checklist to the sentences provided. Rewrite each sentence so that the modifier is clear and logical.

Editing Checklist for Modifiers

- Does the modifier sit **next to the word** it describes?
- Does the sentence have the **right subject** after an introductory modifier?
- Does the sentence avoid making an object (like “the backpack” or “the project”) do the action of the modifier?
- Does the meaning make **sense and sound natural**? Does the sentence avoid unintentional **silly or confusing images**?

1. Running down the street, the backpack bounced wildly.

Rewrite: _____

2. Covered in chocolate, the child enjoyed the cake.

Rewrite: _____

3. After finishing the test, the pencil broke in half.

Rewrite: _____

4. Driving to the store, the traffic jam annoyed me.

Rewrite: _____

5. Nearly everyone ate the cookies at the party.

Rewrite: _____

6. While reading the newspaper, the phone kept buzzing.

Rewrite: _____

7. Hanging on the wall, the teacher noticed the clock.

Rewrite: _____

8. To earn a high score, the essay was written carefully.

Rewrite: _____