

Practice

- 1 **GRAMMAR IN USE** Read the novel extracts below and study the underlined phrases. Match each one with a reason A–E for placing it in this position in the sentence. One reason can be matched with two phrases.

- A FOCUS – putting an adverbial phrase of reason at the beginning of the sentence.
 B END-WEIGHT – putting a long clause or phrase after the verb.
 C FOCUS – placing a time or place adverbial at the beginning of the sentence.
 D CONTRAST – fronting an adverbial to make a contrast with what has gone before.
 E INFORMATION FLOW – starting a sentence with known information.

(1) Ten days later, at eight-thirty in the morning of Wednesday, 22nd January, Robyn Penrose set off in a snowstorm and an ill humour to begin her stint as the University of Rummidge Faculty of Arts Industry Year Shadow, or URFAYYS as she was designated in memoranda emanating from the Vice-Chancellor's Office. (2) One of these documents had informed her (3) that she was to be attached to a Mr Victor Wilcox, Managing Director of J. Pringle & Sons, for one day a week during the remainder of the winter term, and she had chosen Wednesdays for this undertaking since it was the day she normally kept free from teaching. By the same token it was a day she normally spent at home, catching up on her marking, preparation and research, and she bitterly resented having to sacrifice it. (4) For this reason above all others she had come very close to declining Philip Swallow's proposal to nominate her for the Shadow Scheme.

The nursemaid was also in the kitchen. ... Her contradictory statements about the blanket were to make her a suspect.

(5) Outside, the servants and a growing gaggle of villagers began to search for traces of the murderer and the weapon. (6) Daniel Oliver, the jobbing gardener, showed Urch some footmarks on the lawn near the drawing-room windows.

- 2 Choose the best option, A or B, according to text ordering principles.

5.01 Listen and check.

- Della Jones, one of our best-loved singers, is well known for her opera repertoire.
 - Her greatest operatic roles have included Rosina in *Il Barbiere di Siviglia* and the title role in *La Cenerentola*.
 - Rosina in *Il Barbiere di Siviglia* and the title role in *La Cenerentola* are included among her greatest operatic roles.
- One of the great comic stars of the 1960s was Walter Matthau,
 - particularly noteworthy was Jack Lemmon's film work with him.
 - his film work with Jack Lemmon being particularly noteworthy.
- If you're looking for a quiet holiday, forget about Ibiza.
 - It may be sun-drenched and beautiful but it isn't peaceful!
 - Sun-drenched and beautiful it may be, peaceful it isn't!
- The elderly man expressed no regrets about the years he spent in the army.
 - On the contrary, he thought it an honour that he'd been able to serve his country.
 - He'd been able to serve his country and he thought that was an honour.
- Potential residents will find everything they need in the Dinglewood rest home.
 - Among its features are luxurious private rooms and twenty-four-hour nursing care.
 - Luxurious private rooms and twenty-four-hour nursing care are among its features.
- The Tower of London is one of the oldest landmarks in the city.
 - Today its main claim to fame is the recently built Jewel House containing the fabulous crown jewels of Great Britain.
 - The recently built Jewel House containing the fabulous crown jewels of Great Britain is its main claim to fame today.