

ADVANCED STRUCTURE EXERCISES

Exercise 1: Inversion Fill-in-the-Blanks

Complete each sentence using **inversion** for emphasis. Write the sentence so that there is an **inversion** of the **subject** and **auxiliary** verb.

1.	Rarely (I see) such breathtaking artistry in modern sculpture.
2.	Seldom (she admit) that her innovative design was a result of sheer persistence.
3.	Not only (they complete) the project ahead of schedule, but they also exceeded quality expectations.
4.	Hardly (we realize) the significance of the discovery when it was announced.
5.	No sooner (the committee receive) the proposal than it was rejected outright.
6.	Under no circumstances (he tolerate) unethical practices in his department.
7.	Scarcely (the musician finish) his solo when the audience erupted in applause.
8.	Never before (I encounter) such a compelling argument in the debate.
9.	Barely (the scientist document) the experiment when the breakthrough occurred.



Exercise 2: Rewrite the Sentence (Cleft/Inversion)

Rewrite each sentence as a cleft sentence to emphasize the highlighted element.

1. I admire her determination.

Emphasize her determination

- 2. The architect designed the building with exceptional creativity. *Emphasize exceptional creativity*
- 3. The manager approved the proposal despite its risks.

Emphasize despite its risks

4. We discovered the error during the final review.

Emphasize during the final review

5. She solved the problem with a clever solution.

Emphasize a clever solution

6. The committee postponed the decision because of insufficient data.

Emphasize insufficient data

7. They adopted the strategy after careful consideration.

Emphasize after careful consideration

8. The scientist discovered the anomaly during the experiment.

Emphasize during the experiment

9. Our team improved performance with innovative techniques.

Emphasize innovative techniques



Exercise 3: Reordering for Emphasis

Reorder the jumbled words to form a sentence that emphasizes the given information using **inversion** or **fronting**. (articles have been excluded, include them in your answer)

1. Jumbled:

"researcher / had / hardly / finished / the study / when / breakthrough occurred"

2. Jumbled:

"I / never / encountered / before / such / persuasive argument"

3. Jumbled:

"director / completed / scarcely / presentation / did / applause follow"

4. Jumbled:

"only after / the council / reviewed / the detailed report / they / did / make a decision"

5. Jumbled:

"not until / evidence / was presented / jury / did / reach a verdict"

6. Jumbled:

"we / have / seldom / seen / such innovative solutions"

7. Jumbled:

" he / will / under no circumstances / compromise / his ethical standards"

8. Jumbled:

"storm / had / subsided / barely / when / residents emerged"

9. Jumbled:

"only then / teacher / did / realize / students' potential"

10. Jumbled:

"the meeting / had / begun / no sooner / than / critical issues surfaced"



Exercise 4: Multiple-Choice Emphasis Structures

Choose the sentence that best expresses emphasis through **inversion** or **cleft** construction.

- 1. Which sentence best emphasizes the **rarity** of the event?
 - a) Rarely I have witnessed such marvels.
 - b) Rarely have I witnessed such marvels.
 - c) I have rarely witnessed such marvels.
 - d) Witnessed such marvels I have rarely.
- 2. Which sentence best emphasizes the **moment** of realization?
 - a) Only after the analysis did we realize the pattern.
 - b) We only realized the pattern after the analysis.
 - c) After the analysis, only we realized the pattern.
 - d) Only did we realize the pattern after the analysis.
- 3. Which sentence best emphasizes the **cause** of the decision?
 - a) It is the lack of funds that forced them to cancel the project.
 - b) They canceled the project because of lack of funds.
 - c) The project was canceled due to lack of funds.
 - d) Forced by lack of funds, they canceled the project.
- 4. Which sentence best emphasizes the **timing** of the discovery?
 - a) It was during the final trial that the error emerged.
 - b) The error emerged during the final trial.
 - c) During the final trial, the error emerged.
 - d) The error, during the final trial, emerged.
- 5. Which sentence best emphasizes the **significance** of the achievement?
 - a) Because of relentless effort they succeeded.
 - b) They succeeded only through relentless effort.
 - c) Only through relentless effort did they succeed.
 - d) They only succeeded through relentless effort.
- 6. Which sentence best emphasizes the **inevitability** of the outcome?
 - a) Never before had the team faced such challenges.
 - b) The team had never faced such challenges before.
 - c) Had the team never faced such challenges before, they would be unprepared.



- 7. Which sentence best emphasizes the **importance** of the advisor's role?
 - a) The advisor should guide the revision process.
 - b) It is the advisor who should guide the revision process.
 - c) Guiding the revision process, the advisor should be consulted.
 - d) The advisor guides the revision process.
- 8. Which sentence best emphasizes the **immediacy** of the reaction?
 - a) The announcement had been and the room erupted in cheers.
 - b) The room erupted in cheers no sooner than the announcement had been made.
 - c) No sooner the announcement was made, the room erupted in cheers.
 - d) No sooner had the announcement been made than the room erupted in cheers.
- 9. Which sentence best emphasizes the exclusivity of the solution?
 - a) Only innovative strategies can solve this dilemma.
 - b) It is only innovative strategies that can solve this dilemma.
 - c) Innovative strategies only can solve this dilemma.
 - d) This dilemma can be solved only by innovative strategies.
- 10. Which sentence best emphasizes when the acknowledgement occurred?
 - a) Not until the debate ended did the committee acknowledge the divergent views.
 - b) The committee acknowledged the divergent views not until the debate ended.
 - c) Not until the debate ended, the committee acknowledged the divergent views.
 - d) The committee, not until the debate ended, acknowledged the divergent views.



Exercise 5: Create Your Own Emphasis Structure

Complete each prompt by writing a sentence using **inversion** or a **cleft** sentence to emphasize the indicated element. The first one is done for you.

- 1. Emphasize **the unexpected nature** of a breakthrough discovery in a lab. (Example: "Never before had researchers encountered such an unprecedented phenomenon.")
- 2. Emphasize that **the mentor's guidance** led to the student's success.
- 3. Emphasize **the critical moment (when?)** when the CEO made the decisive announcement.
- 4. Emphasize the **effort (only through rigorous debate)** for the committee to reach a consensus.
- 5. Emphasize that **the innovative design** solved the problem.
- 6. Emphasize the **timing** of a crucial error during a live broadcast.
- 7. Emphasize that **the detailed report** convinced the investors.
- 8. Emphasize that **the change in policy** improved employee morale.
- 9. Emphasize **the rarity** of encountering such extraordinary talent.
- 10. Emphasize that **when (afte thorough research)** the groundbreaking theory accepted.



ADVANCED STRUCTURE SOLUTIONS

Exercise 1: Inversion Fill-in-the-Blanks

- 1. Rarely **have I seen** such breathtaking artistry in modern sculpture.
- 2. Seldom **has she admitted** that her innovative design was a result of sheer persistence.
- 3. Not only **did they complete** the project ahead of schedule, but they also exceeded quality expectations.
- 4. Hardly **had we realized** the significance of the discovery when it was announced.
- No sooner had the committee received the proposal than it was rejected outright.
- 6. Under no circumstances will he tolerate unethical practices in his department.
- 7. Scarcely **had the musician finished** his solo when the audience erupted in applause.
- 8. Never before **have I encountered** such a compelling argument in the debate.
- Barely had the scientist documented the experiment when the breakthrough occurred.

Exercise 2: Rewrite the Sentence (Cleft/Inversion)

(Below are possible answers. Yours may vary slightly)

- Original: I admire her determination.
 Solution: It is her determination that I admire.
- Original: The architect designed the building with exceptional creativity.
 Solution: It was exceptional creativity that the architect used to design the building.



- Original: The manager approved the proposal despite its risks.
 Solution: It was despite its risks that the manager approved the proposal.
- Original: We discovered the error during the final review.
 Solution: It was during the final review that we discovered the error.
- 5. **Original:** She solved the problem with a clever solution. **Solution:** It was a clever solution that she used to solve the problem.
- Original: The committee postponed the decision because of insufficient data.
 Solution: It was insufficient data that led the committee to postpone the decision.
- 7. **Original:** They adopted the strategy after careful consideration. **Solution:** It was after careful consideration that they adopted the strategy.
- 8. **Original:** The scientist discovered the anomaly during the experiment. **Solution:** It was during the experiment that the scientist discovered the anomaly.
- 9. **Original:** Our team improved performance with innovative techniques. **Solution:** It was with innovative techniques that our team improved performance.

Exercise 3: Reordering for Emphasis

- Correct Order: "Hardly had the researcher finished the study when a breakthrough occurred."
- Correct Order: "Never before have I encountered such a persuasive argument."
- 3. Correct Order: "Scarcely had the director completed the presentation did applause follow."
- 4. Correct Order: "Only after the council reviewed the detailed report did they make a decision."



- Correct Order: "Not until the evidence was presented did the jury reach a verdict."
- Correct Order: "Seldom have we seen such innovative solutions."
- 7. Correct Order: "Under no circumstances will he compromise his ethical standards."
- 8. Correct Order: "Barely had the storm subsided when the residents emerged."
- 9. Correct Order: "Only then did the teacher realize the students' potential."
- 10. Correct Order: "No sooner had the meeting begun than critical issues surfaced."

Exercise 4: Multiple-Choice Emphasis Structures

- 1. b) Rarely have I witnessed such marvels.
- 2. a) Only after the analysis did we realize the pattern.
- 3. a) It is the lack of funds that forced them to cancel the project.
- 4. a) It was during the final trial that the error emerged.
- 5. c) Only through relentless effort did they succeed.
- 6. a) Never before had the team faced such challenges.
- 7. b) It is the advisor who should guide the revision process.
- 8. d) No sooner had the announcement been made than the room erupted in cheers.
- 9. b) It is only innovative strategies that can solve this dilemma.
- 10.a) Not until the debate ended did the committee acknowledge the divergent views.



Exercise 5: Matching Exercise

(The following are only possible answers and your answers may vary)

- 1. Emphasize the unexpected nature of a breakthrough discovery in a lab. "Never before had researchers encountered such an unprecedented phenomenon."
- 2. Emphasize that **the mentor's guidance** led to the student's success. "It is the mentor's guidance that propelled the student to success."
- 3. Emphasize **the critical moment (when?)** when the CEO made the decisive announcement.
 - "No sooner had the board convened than the CEO delivered the decisive announcement."
- 4. Emphasize the **effort (only through rigorous debate)** for the committee to reach a consensus.
 - "It was only through rigorous debate that the committee reached a consensus."
- 5. Emphasize that **the innovative design** solved the problem.

 "It is the innovative design, not conventional methods, that solved the problem."
- Emphasize the **timing** of a crucial error during a live broadcast.
 "Only when the cameras started rolling did the presenter realize the mistake."
- 7. Emphasize that **the detailed report** convinced the investors.

 "It was the detailed report that ultimately convinced the investors."
- 8. Emphasize that **the change in policy** improved employee morale.

 "It was the change in policy, not external pressures, that improved employee morale."
- 9. Emphasize **the rarity** of encountering such extraordinary talent. "Rarely have I witnessed such extraordinary talent in one individual."
- 10. Emphasize that **when (afte thorough research)** the groundbreaking theory accepted.
 - "It was only after thorough research that the groundbreaking theory was accepted."