

EXERCISE 12-1 Misplaced or Awkwardly Placed Modifiers

Edit the following sentences to correct misplaced or awkwardly placed modifiers. Example:

Answering questions can be annoying. ~~in a telephone survey.~~
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- a. Our English professor asked us to very carefully reread the sonnet, looking for subtleties we had missed on a first reading.
 - b. The monarch arrived in a gold carriage at the gate pulled by four white horses.
 - c. By afternoon, Sam had almost painted the entire dining room.
 - d. Coronado, after being appointed leader of the expeditionary force by the Spanish viceroy, spent his time recruiting volunteers for the adventure.
 - e. All fresh vegetables are not salt free.
1. Carlos sat solemnly and didn't even smile once during the comedy.
 2. The orderly confessed that he had given a lethal injection to the patient after ten hours of grilling by the police.
 3. Several recent studies have encouraged heart patients to more carefully watch their cholesterol levels.
 4. The recordings were all done at the studio of the late Jimi Hendrix named Electric Ladyland.
 5. The old Marlboro ads depicted a man on a horse smoking a cigarette.