

Using Adverbs to Express Time

Nelly the astrophysicist (space scientist) has found a way to time travel. She is testing her latest experiment but has no time to record it. She seeks your help with writing it up. What did you see? When did it happen?

Write a recount of the time travel experiment. Your recount must include at least four sentences with an adverb of time. You can use the ones suggested in the word bank below or you can use your own.



Adverbs of time:

yesterday, today, then,
soon, now, later, next,
after, before, eventually,
immediately, already

Yesterday, I was called in for a very important task. Nelly the astrophysicist finally discovered how to successfully time travel and she was about to test her last experiment today. I arrived in the testing room to complete all the security checks safely. Little did I know, Nelly was there all night and already completed the tests. The fuel, ignition, time travel-o-meter, motor and wipers had been checked at least three times. What a perfectionist she was! The time machine had every switch and mechanism possible. It was the ultimate cockpit, the sleekest machine ever and I was about to travel in it soon!

After a final glance at all the switches, timers, compasses, indicators and Detectors, we were ready to leave. Although my face beamed with excitement, my stomach fluttered with nerves and butterflies. We strapped ourselves into our seats, flicked a switch to close the time machine door, entered the destination we wished to visit and waited to see what our fate brought. After a ground-breaking rumble, a loud swoosh and a deafening bang, we were dragged into the deepest of portals. We twisted and tumbled through the portal. At times, our world was turned upside down. Eventually we crashed on land.

Minutes later, we composed ourselves and got out of the time machine. But what was this? This isn't 'when' we wanted to be! Oh dear! Where were we?