Word Order In Statements.

Every sentence has a **subject** and a **verb**. The basic word order of a sentence is:

(Place)	(Time)	Subject	Verb	Object	Place	Time
In the kitchen,		they	eat	breakfast.		
At the YMCA	on Mondays,	we	play	handball	in the gym.	
		My friend	is swimming		in the pool	Now.
	Every Saturday,)	Peter	watches	TV	at home.	

Expressions of **time** or **place** ay be put at the beginning or the *end* of a statement. When they are at the beginning, you must use a comma.

Adverbs of frequency

Always, usually, regularly, normally, often, sometimes, occasionally, rarely, seldom, and never are adverbs of frequency.

The position of these adverbs is **before** the **main verb**

		Adverb of frequency	Verb	
I		always	get up	at 6.45.
Peter	can	usually	play	football on Sundays.
Mandy	has	often	done	lots of homework.

The adverb comes **after** the verb "to be"— am, are, is, was, were

Adverb of frequency		Verb	Adverb of frequency	
	Susan	is	sometimes	late.
	Jan and Bill	were	never	happy.
Sometimes,	Jack	is		at work.

The adverbs **often, usually, sometimes** and **occasionally** can go at the beginning or end of a sentence.

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Instructions: Put these sentences in the correct order. If you move the place or time to the beginning, don't forget to use a comma.

1. in the evenings / likes to eat / Susan / ice cream / at home /
2. time / do not have / I / now/
3. at home / yesterday/ did not leave / we / our umbrella /
4. to Chicago / is moving / he /his family / next year
5. have left / in the hotel room /the key / they/
6. at work/ will have / you /after that mistake/ a problem /
7. her holiday / does not spend / she / in France / often
8. always / after school / in Welland / want to play / they / tennis
9. reads / before work / a newspaper / rarely / Jill
10. lose / often / on Sundays / I / at baseball games / my watch
11. anything / loses / rarely / anywhere / my wife
12. walks / every morning / at 5:00 a.m. / to work / my brother.
13. next year, / their daughter / they / in Sweden. / are going to visit
14. on the bus / always / our breakfast / before work / eat / we
15. this / is / an easy exercise

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