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Subject Openers

1. **Participial phrase**

Looking at the clock, Chris dropped his pencil

1. **Prepositional phrase**

Before class, she quickly ate breakfast.

1. **Infinitive phrase**

To study for the test, I need to make flashcards.

1. **Absolute phrase**

His tail wagging so quickly, my dog stared at his treat.

1. **Adverb clause**

Although her ankle was bothering her, she continued to play hard.

Subject- Verb Splits

1. **Single word adjectives**

My mom, frustrated and tired, yelled at me to clean my room.

1. **Appositive**

Claire, Susanna’s older sister, is a sophomore at Clemson University.

1. **Participial phrase**

The professor, looking around the room, caught him cheating.

1. **Single word adjectives and participial phrase**

Steven, worried and anxious, searching intently, finally found his keys.

1. **Adjective clause**

My aunt, who is my mom’s sister, lives in California.