

Worksheet 2: Analysing sentence structures



A corpus shows you words and phrases from many different situations. Take a look at these example sentences from the English Web 2018 corpus. **Highlight** information you get on **the starting point**, **the destination**, and **the time**.



Do you notice a pattern? Describe the pattern. Work with a partner.



For corpus experts: You can work with these concordances **or** with SkELL again. Go back to the examples and look for expressions describing the starting point, the destination, and the time. Create a word cloud.

1	Example: Next you have to take a	bus	from Riga to Ainazi in the Central Bus station.
2	Take that money and catch the first	train	for Chicago.
3	We [...] enjoyed the show & then caught a	bus	back to the city centre at 10.45pm.
4	I could easily catch the 6am	train	the next morning.
5	First you will need to get the	bus	from either [station 1] or [station 2] to Wareham station.
6	Very early in the morning, I hailed a	taxi	and made my way to Ottawa International Airport to catch my flight.
7	I thought we'd take the	train	into the city late this afternoon.
8	I even rode a	bike	to work today.
9	Yet another option: take a	bus	from the train station (Santa Maria Novella) to the airport.
10	I suggest you call a	cab	to take you home.
11	At about three p.m. we boarded our	train	to Fairbanks.