**Misplace Modifiers Assessment**

**Directions:** In order to show me that you understand what a misplaced modifier is and how to fix it, begin by reading the following funny sentences. Each of these sentences has a misplaced modifier that drastically changes the meaning of the sentence. Your task is to choose one the following sentences and make a small poster that shows how a misplaced modifier alters the meaning of the sentence. Follow these steps:

1. Choose a sentence and get my approval—I don’t want everyone doing the same sentence.
2. Fold a piece of paper in half.
3. On one side of the paper write the original sentence.
4. Now on that same side of the paper draw a picture of what the original sentence says.
5. On the second half of the paper fix the sentence so that it no longer has a misplaced modifier.
6. Draw a picture of what the sentence says now that you’ve fixed it.

**Choose one of these sentences:**

1. The man was walking his dog in the gray suit.
2. The poster caught my eye on the wall.
3. When he peed outside, John praised the puppy.
4. Neal and James found a key walking to school.
5. Stolen from the bank, the police found the diamonds.
6. Sleeping on the roof, I saw the neighbor’s cat.
7. Pacing in its cage, I watched the lion.
8. Perched in their nest, we saw the young birds.
9. Wearing a bright orange suit and floppy yellow shoes, I saw a clown at the circus.
10. Filled with daisies, the girl walked through the field.
11. Lori did not hear the doorbell talking on the telephone.
12. The kitten belongs to my neighbor that is on the branch.
13. Ed saw a huge alligator on the way to his dentist’s office.
14. The balloons startled the younger children when they burst.
15. I didn’t hear the doorbell ringing in the backyard.
16. Barking and growling, the stranger was frightened by the dogs.
17. We bought a new puppy for my sister that we call Fido.
18. The patient was referred to a psychologist with several emotional problems.
19. Sam found a letter in the mailbox that doesn't belong to him.
20. The boy read from his new book wearing glasses.
21. For sale: An antique desk suitable for a child with thick legs.