Parts of Speech Exercise

Read the story carefully, then follow the directions at the bottom of the page:

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Using the symbols below, identify every word in the above paragraph. Put brackets (around all prepositional phrases).

Articles: Circle them: @
Nouns: Underline them: dog
Pronouns: Underline them twice: them
Adjectives: Put a line through: small
Verbs: Draw a box around them: ran
Adverbs: Write AV over them: softly
Prepositions: Draw an arrow over them: over
Conjunctions: Draw a dot over them: and
Interjections: Draw a wavy underline: hooray!

The answers on the other side of the page.
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