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ADJECTIVES AND ADVERB





Adjectives and adverbs:

Adjectives and adverbs are describing words; the former describes a noun or pronoun; the latter, a verb, adjective, or other adverb. Here, you learn how to use these words with skill and confidence so you'll never again face the dreaded bad/well dilemma.

- •Adjectives describe a noun or pronoun.
- •Adverbs describe a verb, adjective, or other adverb.





We use adjectives to describe nouns and pronouns. Adjectives can come before nouns or after linking verbs.

Before the noun:

- •He dropped the hot plate.
- •I have a black cat.

After a linking verb:

- •He seems tired.
- •The view is beautiful.





Adverbs are used to describe verbs, adjectives or other adverbs. They are often (but not always) made by adding 'ly' to the adjective.

- I walked slowly ('slowly' tells us about the verb 'walk').
- They worked quickly.

We make the comparative and superlative forms of adverbs by using 'more/most'.

- She sang loudly.
- She sang more loudly than her friend.
- She sang most loudly in the class.





Irregular forms:

Normally, we make an adverb by adding 'ly' to an adjective.

- •Careful (adjective): He is always careful.
- •Carefully (adverb): She put the glasses down carefully.
- •Quiet (adjective): This is a quiet room.
- Quietly (adverb): She spoke quietly.

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If the adjective ends in 'y', we change 'y' to 'i' and add 'ly'. If the adjective ends in 'le', we drop 'e' and add 'y'.

- Happy (adjective): She looks very happy.
- Happily (adverb): He sang happily.





There are some exceptions.

- Fast (adjective): That's a fast car.
- Fast (adverb): She walks fast.
- •Early (adjective): She was early for the meeting.
- Early (adverb): He arrived early.

There are also some adjectives that end in 'ly' and don't have an adverb form.

Instead we use 'in a ---way'. These are friendly, lovely, lonely, lively, and silly.

He talked to me in a friendly way.





Good / well

'Well' can be confusing because it is both the adverb form of 'good', and an adjective that means 'healthy and fine'.

- My mother is well ('well' is an adjective that means 'healthy and fine').
- He did the work well ('well' is an adverb meaning 'in a good way').
- Of course, we also use 'good' as an adjective. This meal is good!
- He can speak good German.





Hard / hardly

'Hard' is both an adjective and an adverb.

- •The table is hard (= adjective, meaning 'not soft' or 'difficult').
- •She works hard (= adverb, meaning 'with a lot of effort').

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'Hardly' is also an adverb, but it means 'almost nothing' or 'almost none'.

- She hardly works (= she does almost no work).
- I have hardly any money (= I have almost no money).





Late/lately

'Late' is an adjective and an adverb. There is also an adverb 'lately', which means 'recently'.

- •I'm late (= adjective, meaning 'not on time').
- •He came late (= adverb, meaning 'not on time').
- •I've been working a lot lately (= an adverb meaning 'recently').





I can't understand him. He doesn't speak very _____

- A. clearly
- B. often
- C. clear
- D. frank



Answer: A

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She is a very _____ person.

- A. Warmly
- B. Warm
- C. Warmed
- D. cooled



Answer: B

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She plays the piano _____

- A. Beautiful
- B. Good
- C. Well
- D. beautifully



Answer: D



James did not want to wake his mother, so he left _____.

- A. quiet
- B. quietly
- C. calm
- D. calmly



Answer: B

Explanation:



Here they describing action so its adverb, only adverb beautifully fits the sentence





We had a _____ time in Mexico City.

- A. great
- B. greatly
- C. nice
- D. Funny



Answer: A



Our holiday was too short. The time passed very_____

- A. Fast
- B. Fastly
- C. Quickly
- D. quick



Answer: C

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The driver of the car was _____ injured

- A. Seriously
- B. Serious
- C. Heavy
- D. Heavily



Answer: A



The cake tastes____

- A. Good
- B. Super
- C. Nice
- D. excellent



Answer: B

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The driver of the car had _____ injuries

- A. Heavy
- B. Heavily
- C. Serious
- D. Seriously



Answer: C

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There was a _____ change in the weather

- A. Quick
- B. Quickly
- C. Suddenly
- D. Sudden



Answer: D



The duck quacked _____, hoping that we would throw it some of our French fries.

- A. Loudest
- B. louder
- C. loudly
- D. loud



Answer: C

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Don't go up that ladder. It doesn't look _____

- A. Safe
- B. Safely
- C. Right
- D. Correct



Answer: A



Erica listened to her mother _____.

- A. Careful
- B. Carefully
- C. Careless
- D. Care



Answer: B



He looked at me _____ when I interrupted him. .

- A. angry
- B. annoyed
- C. angrily
- D. excitedly



Answer: C



The policeman gave him a ticket because he didn't park _____

- A. Proper
- B. Properly
- C. Correct
- D. Correctly



Answer: B



THANK YOU

