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There are also a number of adverbial expressions that use other prepositions than **con**. Here are some of the most common:

a poco a poco little by little a volte sometimes in ritardo late in tempo on time di solito usually

di sicuro surely/certainly

Anna veste con eleganza. Anna dresses elegantly. Spieghi tutto senza complicazioni. You explain everything uncomplicatedly.

A volte non capisco quello che dice. Sometimes I don't understand what he says.

Another adverbial expression that is sometimes used is **in modo/in maniera** (i.e. 'in a way') followed by an adjective; the adjective is masculine when used with **modo** and feminine when used with **maniera**:

in modo vago/in maniera vaga vaguely/in a vague way
in modo strano/in maniera strana strangely/in a strange way
in modo semplice/in maniera semplice simply/in a simple way

Risponde sempre in modo vago. Quel cane cammina in maniera strana. He/she always answers vaguely. That dog's walking oddly/in a strange way.

Exercise 1

Change the adjectives into adverbs.

Example: lento: lentamente

1 dolce 6 irregolare 11 lento
2 tranquillo 7 probabile 12 utile
3 semplice 8 chiaro 13 attento
4 allegro 9 facile 14 rapido
5 maggiore 10 veloce 15 leggero