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What is adverb?

I have told you **twice.**

An adverb is a word or an expression that modifies a verb, adjective, another adverb, determiner, clause, preposition, or sentence.



How do adverbs fit into a sentence?

AFTER THE VERB/ MAIN VERB

He speak **slowly**.

I have **never** seen William at work.

AFTER THE OBJECT OR COMPLEMENT

She opened the door **quietly**.

She left her book **on the table**.

AT THE BEGINNING OF A CLAUSE

Last night we saw our friends.

In a few minutes we will go.

KIND OF ADVERBS

ADVERBS OF MANNER

ADVERBS OF PLACE AND
DIRECTION

ADVERBS OF TIME

ADVERBS OF FREQUENCY

ADVERBS OF DEGREE

ADVERBS OF MODALITY

Adverbs of manner

ADVERBS OF MANNER ARE USUALLY FORMED FROM ADJECTIVES BY ADDING -LY:

bad > badly

quiet > quietly

careful > carefully

IF AN ADJECTIVE ALREADY ENDS IN -LY, WE USE THE PHRASE IN A ... WAY TO EXPRESS MANNER

illy: He behaved in a silly way.

friendly: She spoke in a friendly way.

WE OFTEN USE PHRASES WITH LIKE AS ADVERBIALS OF MANNER:

Her hands felt like ice.

It smells like fresh bread.

Adverbs of place and direction

MOST ADVERBIALS OF PLACE ARE PREPOSITIONAL PHRASES:

They are in France at present.

Come and sit next to me.

WE USE ADVERBIALS OF PLACE TO DESCRIBE LOCATION, DIRECTION AND DISTANCE.

You'll find it inside.

Walk past the bank and keep going to the end of the street.

Birmingham is 250 kilometres from London.

Adverbs of time

WE USE ADVERBIALS OF TIME TO DESCRIBE WHEN SOMETHING HAPPENS AND HOW LONG.

I saw Mary **yesterday**.

I will see you **later**.

We waited **all day**.

They have lived here **since 2019**.

Adverbs of frequency

WE USE ADVERBIALS OF FREQUENCY TO DESCRIBE HOW OFTEN.

They **usually** watched television in the evening.

We **sometimes** went to work by car.

(always, frequently, often, sometimes, never, etc.)

Adverbs of Degree

WE USE ADVERBIALS OF DEGREE TO DISCUSS THE DEGREE OF AN ADJECTIVE, AN ACTION, OR ANOTHER ADVERB.

You can dance **very** beautifully.

This test is **too** difficult to do.

I **really** need your help.

(of course, rather, really, too, very, in fact)

Adverbs of Modality

THIS VERBS SAY SOMETHING ABOUT POSSIBILITY, OBLIGATION, AND EMPHASIS.

Maybe he doesn't like me.

Perhaps she is talking about us.

Probably she wants to meet you.

Thank you

