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Adverbs of opinion are also known as evaluative adverbs.

Adverbs normally describe how or when and action occurs.

Adverbs of opinion are different.

They add information about the speaker's opinion of events.

Adverbs of opinion usually go at the start of the sentence.

They modify an entire clause.

Adverbs of opinion are similar to adverbs of viewpoint.

Adverbs of Opinion – Examples #1

To indicate a degree of certainty.

- >Clearly, you have no idea what you're doing.
- (It's clear to me that you have no idea what you're doing)
- >Apparently, you will have to do better.
- (there are indications that you need to improve)
- Surely, you can follow my argument.
- ➤ (I am sure that my argument is easy to follow)

Adverbs of Opinion – Examples #2

To indicate attitude.

- >Amazingly, he did very well on the test.
- (I am amazed that he did well on the test)
- >Sadly, she couldn't come to the party.
- ➤ (I am sad that she couldn't come to the party)
- Surprisingly, the organic vegetables were cheaper.
- (The organic vegetables were cheaper and this surprised me)

Adverbs of Opinion – Examples #3

To indicate judgement.

Unlike other types of opinion adverbs, these usually follow the subject.

- I stupidly forgot my wallet this evening.
- (I forgot my wallet and I think that was stupid of me)
- ➤ You carelessly broke my favourite vase.
- (You broke my vase and I think you weren't being careful)
- ➤ Julie *bravely* stood up to the bully.
- (I thought it was brave of Julie to stand up for herself)