

FREQUENCY ADVERBS

a) Match the recordings with the pronunciation, the English words and the meaning in Spanish. **Translation**

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always	usually	often	sometimes	never
<i>/'nevəʃ/</i>	<i>/'ʊf(t)ən/</i>	<i>/'sʌmtaɪmz/</i>	<i>/'ɒlweɪz/</i>	<i>/'ju:zuəli/</i>
a menudo	a veces	normalmente	nunca	siempre

b) Fill in the gaps with the correct frequency adverb.

Translation

It is _____ very cold in the South Pole.

Winter is _____ very rainy in the north of Spain.

I eat chicken very _____ because I love it.

He's a bad student, he _____ does his homework.

In general I am happy, but _____ I feel sad.

c) Which verb tense do we often use with frequency adverbs?

Translation

the present simple the present continuous

d) Study the position in the sentence of these frequency adverbs:

Translation

I sometimes watch TV in English, but I never understand all the words. I always read the subtitles. Sometimes I look up a new word in the dictionary; I often learn new vocabulary this way, but it is usually hard work, and I find it boring sometimes.

Text translation

e) Now complete the rules:

Translation

Frequency adverbs _____ appear _____ a main verb (but _____ the verb BE and other auxiliaries).

An exception is the frequency adverb _____ : this can _____ appear _____ and _____ of a sentence, too.

We _____ use frequency adverbs with the present _____, but we can use ALWAYS with the present _____ when we don't like someone's habits:

You are always playing videogames! How boring!