

## Sentence adverbs

To express the speaker's attitude about the entire sentence, sentence adverbs are most often located at the beginning of the sentence and set off by a comma.

**Predictably**, the hero of the movie won the heart of the girl.

Sentence adverbs can be used in place of longer clauses that modify a sentence.

**People were amazed that** the movie sold 26 million tickets on its opening weekend.

**Amazingly**, the movie sold 26 million tickets on its opening weekend.

**Nobody was surprised that** the sequel was also extremely popular.

**Not surprisingly**, the sequel was also extremely popular.

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The coming attractions ended and the movie began; **accordingly**, the audience fell silent.

1 Rewrite the sentences using sentence adverbs to replace the boldfaced words.

1. **It's apparent to me that** movies with clichéd storylines are still very popular.

*Apparently, movies with clichéd storylines are still very popular.*

2. **It's fortunate that** there were good movies available on the 13-hour plane ride.

3. **I'm being honest when I say that** I just don't care for love stories, no matter how moving they may be.

4. **Nobody can question the fact that** many historical movies present an incorrect view of history.

5. **It was bad luck that** Carol's computer froze while she was streaming that movie.

6. **In essence**, that movie is a tale of good versus evil.

7. **If it fulfills its potential**, the Internet could be the first place all new movies are shown.

8. **It's obvious to me that** you are only pretending to have seen the movie.

9. **I'm being serious when I say that** if a movie is based on a book, always read the book first.

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**2** Complete the sentences with a conjunctive adverb from the grammar box.

Sometimes more than one answer is possible.

1. A growing number of students are watching the movie rather than reading the assigned book. Consequently, there has been a decrease in the reading skills of graduating seniors.
2. At the Mainstreet Theater, you sit in front of a table to watch the movie. \_\_\_\_\_, you are served by waiters who take your order and walk between the rows.
3. Moviegoers are prohibited from texting and talking during the movie; \_\_\_\_\_, anyone who violates that policy will be asked to leave.
4. The most popular movie stars demand extremely high salaries; \_\_\_\_\_ the cost of producing movies with "big names" has risen.
5. It's recommended that you buy tickets in advance; \_\_\_\_\_, you might not get a seat.

