

Hello!

Welcome to Opportunities for Serendipity English Course!



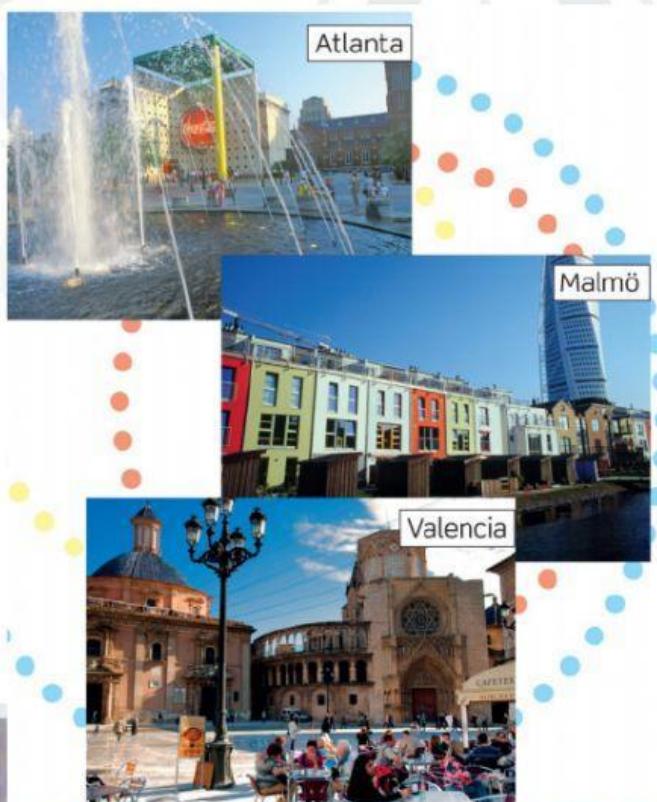
Where would you like to travel?

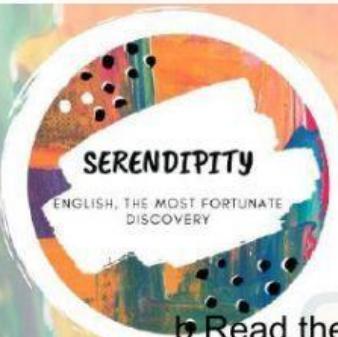
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First impressions

1 Reading

a Look at the photos of three cities. Do you know what countries they are in?





b Read the blogs on a UK travel website; [Travel blogs](#), about people's first impressions of two of these cities. Which two are they?

..... and

c Answer with the names of the cities.

- 1 Where do people eat a lot of salt and sugar?
- 2 Where do TV programmes have subtitles?
- 3 Where are the days very short in winter?
- 4 Where do a lot of people have bad habits when they drive?
- 5 Where is the city safer than the writer thought?
- 6 Where are the houses colourfully painted?
- 7 Where do you see men looking after young children?
- 8 Where do people speak very slowly?

d Find words in the blog which mean;

Paragraph 1 (adv) at this time
Paragraph 2 (noun) the office where the leaders of an organization work
Paragraph 3 (verb) close with a key
Paragraph 4 (adj) sth making you feel sad
Paragraph 5 (adj) made from a tree
Paragraph 6 (adv) not in a formal way

e Which of the two cities would you prefer to live in? Why?

2 Grammar: adverbs

a Look at the highlighted adverbs in the blogs. Answer the questions

- 1 What two letters are added to an adjective to make an adverb?
- 2 Which adverb is the same word as an adjective?
- 3 Which is the adverb from good?
- 4 Which four adverbs are describing other adverbs?

b Complete the rules

Some adverbs describe how people do things. They go
..... the verb or verb phrase.

Some adverbs describe another adverb (or adjective). They go
..... the adverb (or adjective).

c Learn more about adverbs.

adverbs of manner

They drive **dangerously**.

He dresses **fashionably**.

She eats very **quickly**.

I work **hard**.

We speak English **well**.

• We use adverbs of manner to say how people do things.

• Adverbs usually go after the verb.

*I speak English **very well**. NOT ~~I speak very well English~~.*

adjective

slow

quick

bad

careful

healthy

easy

possible

good

fast

hard

adverb

slowly

quickly

badly

carefully

healthily

easily

possibly

well

fast

hard

+ *-ly*consonant + *y* > *-ily**ie* > *-ily*

irregular

- Remember the difference between adjectives and adverbs:

I'm a careful driver. (*careful* is an adjective. It describes the noun, *driver*.)

I drive carefully. (*carefully* is an adverb. It describes the verb, *drive*.)

words ending in *-ly*

! Not all words that end in *-ly* are adverbs, e.g. *friendly* = adjective.
He's a friendly person.

modifying adverbs: *very*, *quite*, etc.

It isn't **very** expensive.

People are **quite** formal.

She drives **incredibly** fast.

They speak **really** slowly.

- We use modifying adverbs with adjectives or other adverbs.
- They always go before the adjective or adverb.

d Listen and say what is happening. Use an adverb.

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3 Pronunciation

a Choose the stressed syllable in the adjectives.

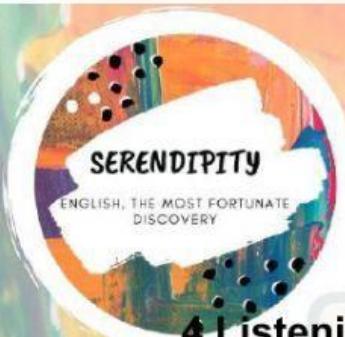
Adjectives	Adverbs
dan ge ous	dangerously
po lite	politely
beau ti ful	beautifully
in cre di ble	incredibly
care ful	carefully
fa shio na ble	fashionably
ca su al	casually
per fect	perfectly
un heal thy	unhealthily

b Listen and check. Repeat the adjectives.

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c Listen and repeat the adverbs. Does the stress change?

5.29



4 Listening & Speaking

a Listen to Jemma talking about the third city. In general, is she positive, negative, or neutral about it?

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b Listen again. Then, with your partner, complete Jemma's sentences.



Eating out

People spend a lot of time in and

..... People who go out to a bar

to have They don't have it in their

..... When people go out in big groups,

..... all sit at one end of the table

and at the other.

The women

Women here talk very and very

..... Women dress

Work

There's a myth that the Spanish don't

....., but I don't think it's People

have a lunch break, but they finish work very

5 Speaking



1 In your country or city how do people...?

- dress for special occasions
- treat tourists
- drive
- eat at lunchtime during the week
- speak foreign languages
- behave at sports matches
- decorate their houses

2 Think of a time when you went to another country or another city / region in your country for the first time. What did you notice about...?

- the people
- the food
- the driving
- the houses
- the weather

6 Writing

Write about your country or a country you have visited. Choose four of these headings; The driving, the food, the people, the weather, the houses, eating out, the women, work.