Grammar Practice

Adverbs, Adjectives & Adverbs of Degree.

Read the theory and solve.
Adverb or Adjective?

11a Circle the correct answer.

0 Olivia's looking very (*healthy*) / *healthily* since she came back from her holiday.
1 Luke did very *good* / *well* in the exam.
2 I want you to answer the question *truthful* / *truthfully*.
3 Entering the war was a *political* / *politically* mistake.
4 The local team won the match *easy* / *easily*.
5 Since moving out of the family home, Alex has felt *lonely* / *in a lonely way*.
6 The teacher conducted the lesson *lively* / *in a lively way*.
7 I'll finish the report by Friday – it won't be *late* / *lately*.
8 He gave the door a *hard* / *hardly* push but it *hard* / *hardly* moved.

11b Complete the sentences. Use adverbs or adverbial phrases.

0 Amelia gave a confident presentation. She presented her ideas *confidently* .
1 Gavin gave me a sincere apology. He apologised ..... .
2 The children are noisy. They're playing ..... .
3 This building makes economic use of space. It uses space ..... .
4 Adrian's behaviour was sensible. He behaved ..... .
5 The match will be shown on national television. It will be shown ..... .
6 I know I was foolish. I don't know why I behaved so ..... .
7 My teacher has a friendly smile. She smiles ..... .
8 Michael is a fast driver. He drives ..... .

11c Complete the conversations. Use the correct form of the words in the box.

free (x2)	~~hard~~ (x2)	high (x2)	late (x2)	wide

0 A: I can *hardly* believe it. I've passed my driving test!
B: Why are you surprised? You worked *hard* and you deserved to pass it.

1 A: How much are the tickets?
B: They're five pounds for adults but children can travel ..... .

2 A: Where have you been? I haven't seen you around ..... .
B: Didn't I tell you? We've been on holiday. We stayed at a fabulous hotel ..... in the mountains.

3 A: Let's go outside so that we can talk ..... .
B: Why? Are you afraid of being overheard?

4 A: Do be careful. That solvent is ..... flammable so you must keep it away from open flames.
B: Don't worry. I'll put it outside in the garden shed.

5 A: Open your mouth ..... , please. The tooth that's bothering you is right at the back.
B: I know. Will this take long? I don't want to be ..... getting back to work.

LIVEWORKSHEETS

11d Complete the article. Use the correct form of the words in brackets.

THE LEAST SUCCESSFUL TOURIST

In 1977 Mr Nicholas Scotti of San Franciso flew to Italy to visit some cousins. The plane stopped (0) ***briefly*** (brief) in New York and Mr Scotti (1) ..... (mistaken) believed he had arrived at Rome Airport. He got out of the plane but of course, his cousins were not there to greet him. Mr Scotti (2) ..... (eventual) decided to try to find his own way to their address. On the journey he noticed that English was spoken (3) ..... (wide). 'You can't escape from Americans,' thought Mr Scotti, a little (4) ..... (sad). 'They're everywhere.'

Mr Scotti did not speak much English himself so he (5) ..... (polite) asked a policeman, in Italian, the way to the bus station. (6) ..... (lucky), the policeman was from Naples and replied in the same language. After travelling around on buses for twelve hours, Mr Scotti was taken by a kind bus driver to a second policeman, who spoke to Mr Scotti in English. The policeman tried (7) ..... (hard) to explain but Mr Scotti (8) ..... (stubborn) refused to believe he was in New York. In the end, they took him to the airport in a police car. They didn't have much time so they had to drive very (9) ..... (fast). 'You see,' said Mr Scotti (10) ..... (confident), 'I know that I'm in Italy. This is the way that Italians drive.'

Adverbs of Degree

16a Circle the correct answer.

0 Your prediction was accurate. In fact, you were (*absolutely*) / *extremely* right.

1 Carlos is an *extremely* / *absolutely* hard worker. He also works *absolutely* / *very* quickly.

2 It's *absolutely* / *really* cold outside. Shall we stay in?

3 Is it *very* / *absolutely* important that I go out tonight? I'm *absolutely* / *really* tired.

4 She was *really* / *fairly* furious with him for leaving the baby alone.

5 If you follow the instructions, it's *absolutely* / *fairly* simple to assemble the bookcase.

6 Are you *absolutely* / *extremely* certain that the information is accurate?

7 Hygiene is *absolutely* / *extremely* important in places like hospitals.

8 He was *absolutely* / *very* devastated by the accident. Luckily, all of his friends responded *absolutely* / *very* sympathetically.

9 Budapest is a beautiful city with some *really* / *very* magnificent buildings.

10 You should go and see the exhibition at the museum. It's *absolutely* / *very* interesting.

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16b Circle the correct answers. There may be more than one correct answer.

0 The meal is (*absolutely*) / *fairly* / (*really*) delicious.

1 The film we saw was *quite* / *totally* / *highly* amusing.

2 You've made *fairly* / *quite* / *very* a big mess.

3 I always have a(n) *absolutely* / *really* / *very* wonderful time when I go there.

4 He looked *entirely* / *very* / *utterly* ridiculous in those clothes.

5 They weren't *entirely* / *rather* / *utterly* happy with the results.

6 If you aren't *highly* / *completely* / *rather* satisfied with your purchase, we'll give you your money back.

7 They make a(n) *absolutely* / *extremely* / *very* attractive couple, don't you think?

8 She's a(n) *entirely* / *extremely* / *highly* successful surgeon.

9 Donna hates her new school. In fact, she is *utterly* / *highly* / *absolutely* miserable there.

10 There's a lot of traffic on the roads and I think it's *very* / *entirely* / *highly* improbable that they'll arrive on time.

16c Complete the conversations. Use *quite* or *rather*. Sometimes both are possible.

0 A: We're ..*quite*.. amazed at how quickly he's recovered from the illness.
B: I know. It's ..*rather*.. surprising but such a relief!

1 A: You look ..... exhausted. How do you feel?
B: I've just had a rest but I'm still ..... tired.

2 A: I think Sue behaved ..... appallingly this evening. Don't you?
B: Well, you're over-reacting a little but she did behave ..... badly.

3 A: The lead singer performed ..... splendidly this evening.
B: She did perform ..... well given that her reviews haven't been very positive.

4 A: Sula understands English ..... well but she finds it difficult to speak.
B: True, but she did ..... better than I expected on her last test.

5 A: I think Hong Kong is ..... an amazing city.
B: Yes, and it's ..... fascinating too.



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