

Adverbs of Manner

My mom speaks English poorly.

He plays volley-ball well.

You eat food so slowly.

Why do we use “adverbs”? [FUNCTION]

- To describe a verb

They are studying quietly. (“quietly” describes the verb study)

He speaks loudly all the time. (“loudly” describes the verb speak)

How do we use “adverbs of manner”? [FORM]

[1] Usually you make an adverb by adding “ly” to an adjective

[adjective + ly]

quiet + ly = quietly

poor + ly = poorly

slow + ly = slowly

[2] If the adjective ends with “y” then you drop the “y” and add “ily”

[adjective (-y) + ily]

easy (-y) + ily = easily

angry (-y) + ily = angrily

happy (-y) + ily = happily

[3] Some adverbs have the same form as the adjective

-late -early -hard -fast

Don’t arrive late. (late describes the verb arrive)

He arrived early. (early describes the verb arrived)

You kick hard. (hard describes the verb kick)

Don’t drive fast. (fast describes the verb drive)

The adverb of “good = well”

You play piano well. (well describes the verb play)

I speak well. (well describes the verb speak)

You play this game well. (well describes the verb play)

Use the following adjectives and change them into adverbs to complete the sentences.

(angry fast good sudden noisy hard careful polite
quick happy slow bad nice quiet soft careless rude
loud)

- [1] You are eating too fast, please eat slowly.
- [2] I finally got the heavy door open after pushing _____.
- [3] Wow she sounds great, she sings so _____.
- [4] He was fighting with his brother and he yelled _____.
- [5] There is a lot of ice on the ground today, please walk _____.
- [6] I don't understand anything he said that teacher spoke too _____.
- [7] Your burping, farting and saying bad words, why are you acting so _____.
- [8] Easy now, that is made of glass. Please put it down _____.
- [9] He was the perfect gentlemen, he was acting so _____.
- [10] I want him to play on my team, he runs so _____.
- [11] I'm trying to study, can you please speak more _____.
- [12] It looks great, you wrapped that Christmas present very _____.
- [13] Oh that car scared me, it was driving so _____.
- [14] It's only a game so don't punch me so _____.
- [15] Look at what time it is! Why did you arrive _____?