# Adverbs of Degree

- **Adverbs of degree are a specific type of adverb that modify adjectives, verbs and other adverbs to indicate the intensity, extent or degree of an action or quality.**
- **They help provide more precise information about how much or to what extent something is hapenning.**

**ADVERB + ADJECTIVE**

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|---|---|
| extremely | fast |
| really | good |
| rather | quick |

**Example**

**Is the soup salty?**
**The soup's a little salty.**
**It's not very salty, but it's saltier than I like.**

**VS**

**ADVERB + ADVERB**

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|---|---|
| extremely | fast |
| really | well |
| rather | quickly |

**Example**

**How does he drive?**
**He drives terribly fast.**
**He drives very fast; too fast for me.**

- We often use a little and terribly to describe something that is not pleasing.
- Quite and rather are synonyms but rather is more formal and is used for negative things or surprisingly positive things

Exercise 1. Choose the best adverb of degree from the options to fill in the blank in each sentence. Write the adverb on the line.

1. The math homework is _____ long tonight. It has 50 problems to solve.

   a) very  b) quite  c) a little  d) terribly

2. My new classmate is _____ shy in group discussions. She hardly speaks at all.

   a) extremely  b) rather  c) quite  d) a little

3. The school library is _____ quiet during exam week. You can hear a pin drop.

   a) very  b) really  c) rather  d) extremely

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4. This history book is _____ interesting for beginners. It explains events simply but engagingly.
   a) quite b) a little c) terribly d) rather
5. I'm _____ tired after studying all night. I can barely keep my eyes open.
   a) really b) very c) extremely d) quite
6. The science experiment was _____ easy to set up. It only took five minutes.
   a) a little b) rather c) quite d) very
7. Our teacher is _____ strict about deadlines. She never accepts late work.
   a) extremely b) terribly c) really d) rather
8. The campus cafeteria food is _____ cheap for students. A full meal costs just $5.
   a) quite b) very c) a little d) rather
9. I feel _____ nervous before presentations. My hands shake a bit.
   a) a little b) terribly c) extremely d) really
10. The online class was _____ boring yesterday. Many students fell asleep.
    a) terribly b) quite c) rather d) very
11. My backpack is _____ heavy with all these textbooks. It weighs over 10 kg.
    a) really b) extremely c) quite d) a little
12. The English vocabulary list is _____ short this week. Only 10 words to learn.
    a) rather b) very c) a little d) terribly
13. Group projects can be _____ fun with good teammates. We laugh a lot while working.
    a) quite b) really c) extremely d) rather
14. The exam results were _____ disappointing for me. I got a low score despite studying.
    a) terribly b) a little c) very d) quite
15. This notebook is _____ useful for note-taking. It has organized sections and tabs.
    a) very b) rather c) extremely d) a little
16. I'm _____ excited about the school trip. We've been planning it for months.
    a) really b) quite c) terribly d) extremely
17. The lecture hall is _____ cold in winter. Everyone wears coats inside.
    a) extremely b) very c) rather d) a little
18. Studying abroad sounds _____ challenging at first. You have to adapt to a new culture.
    a) rather b) quite c) terribly d) really
19. My dorm room is _____ small for two people. There's barely space to move.

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a) a little b) extremely c) very d) rather

**20.** The professor's explanation was _____ clear today. I understood everything perfectly.

a) quite b) really c) terribly d) very

Exercise 2. Match each question on the left (1-15) with the correct answer on the right (A-O). Each question has only one correct answer.

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| 1. Is the coffee hot this morning? ___ | A. Yes, Anna's quite happy about her new job. |
| 2. Is Mike nervous before his job interview? ___ | B. Yes, the movie is terribly boring. |
| 3. Is the weather cold today? ___ | C. Yes, the coffee's very hot this morning. |
| 4. Is Sarah excited about her birthday party? ___ | D. Yes, Mike's a little nervous before his job interview. |
| 5. Is the bus late again? ___ | E. Yes, the room's extremely clean after tidying. |
| 6. Is Anna happy about her new job? ___ | F. Yes, the music's rather loud at the party. |
| 7. Is the room clean after tidying? ___ | G. Yes, Sarah's really excited about her birthday party. |
| 8. Is the music loud at the party? ___ | H. Yes, the exercise is quite difficult for beginners. |
| 9. Is the book interesting to read? ___ | I. Yes, the weather's extremely cold today. |
| 10. Is John hungry after exercising? ___ | J. Yes, the book's very interesting to read. |
| 11. Is the exercise difficult for beginners? ___ | K. Yes, the soup's terribly hot right now. |
| 12. Is the movie boring? ___ | L. Yes, the bus is rather late again. |
| 13. Is Lisa sleepy in the morning? ___ | M. Yes, John's extremely hungry after exercising. |
| 14. Is the park busy on weekends? ___ | N. Yes, Lisa's a little sleepy in the morning. |
| 15. Is the soup hot right now? ___ | O. Yes, the park's really busy on weekends. |

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