

UNIT 12 GOT WHAT IT TAKES?

12.1 PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT

1 VOCABULARY: Skill and performance

A Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

analytical	artistic	athletic	competent	determined
gifted	imaginative	intellectual	logical	musical
skilled	talented	technical	trained	

- 1 Sebastian was determined to finish his medical degree to become a doctor.
- 2 I like romantic or funny movies, nothing too logical. I don't want to think too hard.
- 3 He's very talented in the arts and will likely be famous one day.
- 4 Her athletic abilities show in every soccer game.
- 5 If I had any musical ability, I'd make a painting for this wall.
- 6 It was the logical thing to do in order to save time and money.
- 7 Luciana is not a/an gifted musician. She has just begun to play the guitar.
- 8 He hasn't shown himself to be very analytical at his job.
- 9 You have a/an imaginative mind, so writing a story will be easy for you.
- 10 He has always been naturally skilled, even from an early age.
- 11 She wasn't competent properly to do this type of job.
- 12 I wish I could sing, but I have no artistic ability at all.
- 13 You need to have logical and intellectual skills if you want to be an engineer.



2 GRAMMAR: Adverbs with adjectives and adverbs

A Underline the adverb that provides more detail about the adjective or adverb in the sentence. Circle the modified word and identify it as **Adj.** (Adjective) or **Adv.** (Adverb) next to each sentence.

- 1 She became amazingly quick at solving math problems. Adj
- 2 Some children are exceptionally bright.
- 3 I think she is really funny.
- 4 He picked up the baby extremely gently.
- 5 It'll sell especially well just by word of mouth.
- 6 Learning a new language never came particularly easily to me.
- 7 Can I be brutally honest with you?
- 8 Henry did a fairly good job on his English test.



B Add more detail to each sentence by adding the adverb in parentheses.

1 I thought she looked beautiful when she walked down the aisle. (amazingly)

I thought she looked amazingly beautiful when she walked down the aisle.

2 But it's not true. (necessarily)

3 It's supposed to be cloudy tomorrow. (partly)

4 I'm excited about going backstage after the concert. (especially)

5 They weren't interested in buying the house, but they said they'd think about it. (particularly)

6 There was enough food in the cupboards. (barely)

7 There's plenty of food leftover after dinner. (always)

8 He walked quickly down the street. (rather)



3 GRAMMAR AND VOCABULARY



A Write sentences using your own ideas and the word prompts.

1 exceptionally / athletic

She's exceptionally athletic when it comes to sports

2 amazingly / intellectual

3 especially / logical

4 hardly / trained

5 extremely / gifted

6 particularly / musical

B Complete the sentences so that they are true for you. Use an adverb to modify the adjectives.

1 I think I'm skilled at

2 I don't think I'm imaginative when it comes to

3 I'm competent at

4 When I was younger, I was talented at

5 I'm determined to