

ADJECTIVE – ADVERB

An **adjective** tells us more about a **noun**. Examples: an expensive car, a clever girl

An **adverb** tells us more about a **verb**. Example: He talked nervously.

THE ADVERB

Adjective + **ly**

sad	sadly	quiet	quietly
nervous	nervously	soft	softly

Adjectives ending in **-y** → **ily**

happy	happily	angry	angrily
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Adjectives ending in **le** → **ly**

terrible	terribly	capable	capably
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Adjectives ending in **ly**

friendly	in a friendly way / manner	daily	daily
lively	in a lively way / manner	early	early
lonely	in a lonely way / manner	monthly	monthly
lovely	in a lovely way / manner	weekly	weekly
silly	in a silly way / manner	yearly	yearly

Irregular forms

good	well	low	low
fast	fast	straight	straight
hard	hard	extra	extra
long	long	doubtless	doubtless

Double forms (The adverbs have a different meaning)

hard	hard	hardly = kaum
near	near	nearly = beinahe
late	late	lately = in letzter Zeit

HOW TO USE THE ADVERB

Verb + adverb

The adverb describes a **verb**.

Examples: My friend drove us home carefully.
 She could sell her house quickly.
 The girls talked to each other quietly.

Adjective + adverb

The adverb describes an **adjective**.

Examples: Her necklace she bought in Paris was horribly expensive.
 My brother was terribly sorry that he came late to the meeting.
 That was an absolutely good experience for all of us.

Adverb + adverb

The adverb describes an **adverb**.

Examples: They played terribly badly.
 He usually does his homework absolutely correctly.
 They did extremely well in their last test.

No adverb with the following verbs:

forms of to be:	am, is, are, was, were, will be, have been, had been
seem	get turn grow sound
look*	feel taste become smell

* You look great in your new dress. **BUT** She looked at me happily.

ADJECTIVE OR ADVERB 1

Complete the sentences with an adjective or adverb.

1. He is a _____ boy. (clever)
 2. He is tired because he has worked _____. (hard)
 3. He isn't tired because he has _____ worked. (hard)
 4. She is a _____ girl. (quiet)
 5. She went to bed _____. (quiet)
 6. He is not a good student, but he writes _____. (good)
 7. You should speak more _____. (soft)
 8. The children behaved _____. (bad)
 9. The brave men fought _____. (brave)
 10. They lived together _____. (happy)
 11. She looks _____. (pretty)
 12. That milk tastes _____. (sour)
 13. I don't know _____ where they live. (exact)
 14. She turned _____. (pale)
 15. This brown fur feels _____. (soft)
 16. These children are _____ at English. (good)
 17. Your brother _____ works at all. (hard)
 18. Ann _____ had an accident last Sunday. (near)
 19. Have you been to the cinema _____? (late)
 20. Mary always dresses _____. (beautiful)
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