

BE + adverbs of frequency

Example 1:

Ana: Where's Julie?

Bob: Oh, she's usually late.

Ana: Who's first?

Bob: Not you! You're always first!

Example 2:

Carl: Let's have a barbecue!

Sue: Okay, let's do it at my house.

Carl: But it's always in your house!

For negatives, we usually use always, usually and often.

Example 3:

Sam: What's wrong?

Ellen: I don't know, I'm not usually this tired. = I'm seldom this tired.



SUBJECT + BE + ADVERB

Now try these. Put the adverb of frequency in brackets into the correct position.

Example: I am | in the office after 6 pm. (occasionally)

I am occasionally in the office after 6 pm.

- 1 I'm late. (never) _____.
- 2 They are at home in the week. (seldom) _____.
- 3 We are tired. (often) _____.
- 4 I am happy. (always) _____.
- 5 Sam is on time. (usually) _____.
- 6 Our house isn't clean. (always) _____.
- 7 Are you sleepy after lunch? (always) _____?
- 8 Is she sad? (sometimes) _____?
- 9 He is angry. (rarely) _____.
- 10 My uncle is impatient. (hardly ever) _____.