

# Adverbs of frequency

## Read and Learn:

We use **adverbs of frequency** to describe **how frequently something happens.**

We usually use adverbs of frequency with the **present simple tense.**



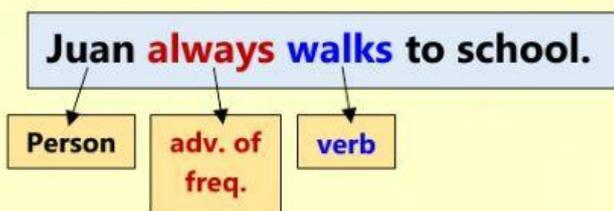
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## Position in a sentence:

1) We put the adverbs of frequency **BEFORE** the main verb.

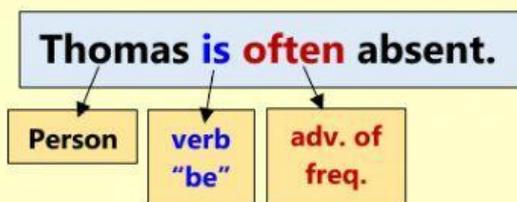
Example:



2) **BUT** we put them **AFTER** the verb BE:



Example:



## More examples:

With common verbs:	With the verb BE
I <b>usually</b> clean my room on Saturdays.	I <b>am</b> sometimes late for school.
You <b>sometimes</b> play football at the park.	You <b>are</b> always worried about English exams.
He <b>often</b> studies in the evening.	He <b>is</b> usually thirsty after lunch.
She <b>always</b> wears shirts.	She <b>is</b> often hungry in the afternoon.
It <b>never</b> rains in the desert.	It <b>is</b> never hot on winter mornings.
We <b>often</b> go to school by car.	We <b>are</b> always at school on weekdays.
They <b>never</b> watch TV at night.	They <b>are</b> usually at home on Sundays.

**Activity 1: Only one sentence is correct. (Click on A, B or C)**

- 1) A) Benjamin **never is** at work.  
B) Benjamin **is never** at work.  
C) Benjamin **is** at work **never**.
  
- 2) A) We **have usually** lunch at 12 o'clock.  
B) We **usually have** lunch at 12 o'clock.  
C) We **have** lunch **usually** at 12 o'clock.
  
- 3) A) She **always travels** by plane.  
B) **Always** she **travels** by plane.  
C) She **travels always** by plane.
  
- 4) A) They **sometimes are** at the park on Sunday afternoons.  
B) They **are** at the park **sometimes** on Sunday afternoons.  
C) They **are sometimes** at the park on Sunday afternoons.

**Activity 2: Put the adverbs of frequency in the correct place.**

**Example:**

We go to the beach in the summer. (**usually**)

We **usually** go to the beach in the summer.

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1) Susan is late for school. (**never**)

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2) I eat fish. (**sometimes**)

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3) Peter cleans his room. (**often**)

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4) My parents are busy. (**always**)

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