

Word Formation - Adverbs

Spelling Rules

Read the rules then practice by writing the adverb form of the words.

Rule A Many adverbs are formed by adding –ly to the corresponding adjective: slow – slowly careful – carefully If the adjective ends in –ll, add only –y to form the adverb	Rule B For adjectives ending in a consonant +le, omit the –e and add –y: reasonable – reasonably, gentle – gently Omit the final –e and add –ly in these two cases: true – truly whole – wholly In other cases, the final –e is kept: immediate – immediately brave – bravely	Rule C For adjectives ending in –y, change the –y to –i and add –ly: happy – happily noise – noisily	RULE D It is usually necessary to add –ally to adjectives ending in –ic: automatic – automatically, scientific – scientifically In other cases: public – publicly
1. effect	1. absolute	1. easy	1. basic
1.	1.	1.	1.
2. polite	2. immediate	2. angry	2. tragic
2.	2.	2.	2.
3. original	3. true	3. busy	3. realistic
3.	3.	3.	3.
4. eventual	4. extreme	4. lucky	4. physical
4.	4.	4.	4.
5. truthful	5. unfortunate	5. possible	5. critical
5.	5.	5.	5.

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