

## 1 CONFUSING ADVERBS AND ADVERBIAL PHRASES

a Match each pair of adverbs with a pair of sentences. Then decide which adverb goes where and write it in the **Adverbs** column.

at the moment / actually  
 especially / specially  
 ever / even

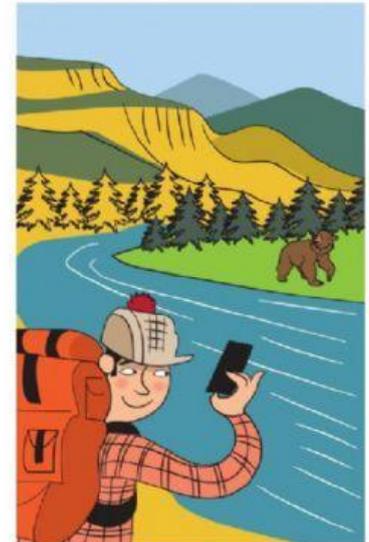
hard / hardly  
 in the end / at the end  
 late / lately

near / nearly  
 still / yet

- 1 He trains very \_\_\_\_\_ – at least three hours a day.  
It's incredibly foggy. I can \_\_\_\_\_ see anything.
- 2 I hate it when people arrive \_\_\_\_\_ for meetings.  
I haven't heard from Mike \_\_\_\_\_. He must be very busy.
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ of a film, I always stay and watch the credits roll.  
I didn't want to go, but \_\_\_\_\_ they persuaded me.
- 4 I love most kinds of music, but \_\_\_\_\_ jazz.  
My wedding dress was \_\_\_\_\_ made for me by a dressmaker.
- 5 She looks younger than me, but \_\_\_\_\_ she's two years older.  
\_\_\_\_\_ they're renting a flat, but they're hoping to buy one soon.
- 6 I've \_\_\_\_\_ finished my book. I'm on the last chapter.  
Excuse me, is there a bank \_\_\_\_\_ here?
- 7 Have you found a job \_\_\_\_\_?  
He's 35, but he \_\_\_\_\_ lives with his parents.
- 8 Have you \_\_\_\_\_ been to the USA?  
I've been all over the USA – I've \_\_\_\_\_ been to Alaska!

**Adverbs**

hard  
 hardly  
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b 3.16 Listen and check.

**ACTIVATION** Cover the **Adverbs** column and look at sentences 1–8. Say the adverbs.

## 2 COMMENT ADVERBS

a Read the sentences. Then match the **bold** adverbs with definitions 1–8.

- I thought the job was going to be difficult, but **in fact** it's quite easy. /ɪn 'fækt/  
 It took us over five hours to get there, but **eventually** we were able to relax. /ɪ'ventʃʊəli/  
**Ideally**, we'd go to Australia if we could afford it. /aɪ'di:əli/  
**Basically**, it's quite a simple idea. /'beɪsɪkli/  
 I thought they'd broken up, but **apparently**, they're back together again. /ə'pærəntli/  
 I'm **certainly** never going back to that restaurant. It was awful! /sə'teɪnli/  
 She's only 14, so **obviously** she can't stay at home on her own. /ə'bvɪəsli/  
 She's been ill for weeks, but **gradually** she's beginning to feel better. /grædʒʊəli/

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ in a perfect world
- 2 *in fact* the truth is; actually (used to emphasize something, especially the opposite of what was previously said)
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ in the main and most important way
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ clearly (used to give information you expect other people to know or agree with)
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ little by little
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ according to what you have heard or read
- 7 \_\_\_\_\_ without doubt
- 8 \_\_\_\_\_ in the end; after a series of events or difficulties

b 3.17 Listen and check.

**ACTIVATION** Cover the definitions and look at the sentences. Say what the adverbs mean.

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