

ADVERBS

1 THEORY

Task 1: Study the following information to help you understand how to use adverbs.

What is an adverb?

An adverb is a word that modifies (describes) a verb.

An adverb tells you how something happens or how somebody does something.

- The train stopped suddenly.
- I opened the door slowly.
- Please listen carefully.
- I understand you perfectly.

Can you identify the verb and the adverb in the examples above?

How to form adverbs?

Add -ly to adjectives but there are some exceptions.

Adjective	quick	slow	careful	heavy	loud
Adverb	quickly	slowly	carefully	heavily	loudly

Task 2: Study the examples below.



1. The girl waits at the bus stop patiently.



2. The man chops the vegetable carefully



3. The woman runs in the park quickly.

Task 3: Identify the verbs and the adverbs. Can you think of any other adverbs to use?

2 CREATE THE ADVERBS

Change the adjectives below into adverbs. Be careful there are some irregular adverbs!

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| 1. strong | • strongly. |
| 2. quiet | • quietly. |
| 3. happy | • happily. |
| 4. calm | • calmly. |
| 5. confident | • confidently. |
| 6. nervous | • nervously. |
| 7. angry | • angrily. |
| 8. gentle | • gently. |
| 9. smooth | • smoothly. |
| 10. soft | • softly. |
| 11. miserable | • miserably. |
| 12. proud | • proudly |
| 13. careful | • carefully. |
| 14. excited | • excitedly. |
| 15. boring | • boringly. |
| 16. stupid | • stupidly. |
| 17. clear | • clearly. |
| 18. joyful | • joyfully. |
| 19. patient | • patiently |
| 20. good | • well |

3 COMPLETE THE SENTENCES

Complete the sentences using the words in brackets.

1. Please speak **quietly**, as the baby is sleeping. (quiet).
2. They **happily** celebrated their anniversary with a romantic dinner. (happy).
3. He **calmly** faced the difficult situation and found a solution. (calm).
4. She **confidently** gave her presentation to the board of directors. (confident).
5. He **nervously** waited for the interview results. (nervous).
6. She **angrily** slammed the door and left the room. (angry).
7. He **gently** held the kitten in his arms. (gentle).
8. The car **smoothly** drove down the highway. (smooth).
9. She **softly** sang a song to her baby. (soft).
10. He felt **miserably** lonely after his breakup. (miserable).
11. She **proudly** showed her art at the gallery. (proud).
12. Please handle the fragile items **carefully**. (careful)
13. The children waited **excitedly** for the film to start. (excited)
14. His boss spoke so **boringly** that he fell asleep. (boring)
15. He **stupidly** forgot his passport on the day of his flight. (stupid).
16. She spoke **clearly** during the meeting. (clear)
17. They **joyfully** celebrated their team's victory. (joyful)
18. We are waiting **patiently** for the movie to start. (patient)
19. She performed **well** in the piano competition. (good)
20. She **strongly** believes in the power of education to change lives. (strong).



4 DIALOGUES

Complete the dialogues using an adverb. Act out each dialogue with a classmate.

angrily	calmly
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- Billy:** Hey Jen, why did you slam the door **angrily**?
- Jen:** My manager just told me that I did not get the promotion.
- Billy:** I'm sorry to hear that.
- Jen:** Tomorrow I am going to **calmly** ask him for feedback.
- Billy:** Great idea!

Dialogue 2

politely	quickly	stupidly
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- James:** Oh no! I have **stupidly** forgotten my bus pass!
- Kelly:** You will need to go home **quickly**.
- James:** You're right!
- Kelly:** I will **politely** ask the bus driver to wait for you.
- James:** Thank you!

Dialogue 3

excitedly	happily	smoothly
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- Ian:** Hi Sarah, can you help me move house tomorrow?
- Sarah:** Yes, I will **happily / excitedly** help you!
- Ian:** Thank you! I am **happily / excitedly** packing my bags now.
- Sarah:** Great! I hope the move goes **smoothly** !
- Ian:** Me too! See you tomorrow!

5 SCRAMBLED SENTENCES

Can you put the sentences below into the correct order?

1. She walked confidently into the interview room.
2. He nervously tapped his foot during the exam.
3. She spoke angrily when she found out the news.
4. He held the newborn baby gently in his arms.
5. The car glided smoothly down the road.
6. She whispered softly in his ear.
7. He walked miserably home after losing the game.
8. She proudly displayed her artwork on the wall.
9. He carefully placed the delicate vase on the shelf.
10. She excitedly opened the gift on her birthday.
11. He stupidly forgot his keys in the car.
12. She spoke clearly into the microphone.
13. They joyfully celebrated their wedding anniversary.
14. He calmly meditated in the peaceful garden.
15. She happily danced around the room.



6 SITUATIONS

Study the topics and adverbs below. Use the topic and adverbs to create sentences. The first one has been done for you. **Answers open to interpretation.**

1. Online classes | Conveniently
a. Online classes allow students to learn conveniently in their own time.
2. Remote work | Efficiently
3. Exercise | Regularly
4. Reading | Quietly
5. Drive | Responsibly
6. Volunteer | Selflessly
7. Communication | Effectively
8. Travel | Freely
9. Music | Passionately
10. Social media | Responsibly
11. Cooking | Healthily
12. Cleaning | Thoroughly
13. Sleep | Well
14. Writing | Creatively
15. Study | Calmly



7 DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Discuss the following questions as a class. This is your opportunity to use the new language learned in today's class, so speak as much as possible and have fun!

1. How can someone develop the ability to speak **confidently** in public?
2. Describe something you did **nervously** and still succeeded at.
1. Describe a time someone spoke to you **angrily**.
2. In what contexts is it important to approach others **gently**, and why?
3. What are some key factors that contribute to a project running **smoothly**?
4. Describe situations where speaking **softly** is more effective than speaking **loudly**?
5. Describe something you have done **proudly**.
6. What are some benefits of doing tasks **carefully** instead of rushing?
7. What are some benefits of exercising **regularly**?
8. Describe tasks that you do **happily** while others think the same tasks are boring.
9. What events are you **excitedly** waiting for this year?
10. Have you ever **stupidly** forgotten something important while travelling?



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