

ENGLISH

# Unit 11: Adverbs



*English for Beginners with*

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# Adverbs



Adverbs give more information about an action and tell us how it was done.

Rules for forming adverbs:

- Add -ly to an adjective.
- For adjectives ending in -y: change -y to -ily
- For adjectives ending in -ic: change -ally

Examples:

- Beautiful - Beautifully
- Terrific - Terrifically
- Happy - Happily
- Quick - Quickly

A couple common uses for adverbs are:

- In a written dialogue.
- Positive or negative responses to a question.

Examples:

- "Fine, I will do it" He said begrudgingly.
- "Hey will you get dinner with us tonight?"  
"Unfortunately I cannot I have too much work to do"

# Position of an adverb in a sentence

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- Adverbs usually come after the subject or after the object.
- If the verb does not have an object, then the adverb goes after the verb.
- If the sentence includes a phrase, then the adverb goes before the verb or after the phrase.

## Why Adverbs are Useful

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- Adverbs can add a lot of flavor to a written sentence.
- They can be very helpful when describing how someone feels or responds in a story.
- In daily life adverbs help to mitigate speech and make your intentions a little clearer.

# EXERCISE

Write the adverb form of the following adjectives:  
(You may listen to the audio for the answers).

1) Happy - \_\_\_\_\_

2) Special - \_\_\_\_\_

3) Quick - \_\_\_\_\_

4) Beautiful - \_\_\_\_\_

5) Slow - \_\_\_\_\_

6) Glad - \_\_\_\_\_

7) Accurate - \_\_\_\_\_

8) Sad - \_\_\_\_\_

9) Wonderful - \_\_\_\_\_

10) Content - \_\_\_\_\_

11) Funny - \_\_\_\_\_

# EXERCISE



Underline the adverbs in the sentences:

- 1) The Leaning Tower of Pisa is one of Italy's most frequently visited sights.
- 2) I baked this cake specially for you.
- 3) Lydia is sincerely grateful for your help.
- 4) This is a beautifully painted picture.
- 5) Fortunately I passed the test, I wasn't really prepared.
- 6) Luckily, I will be able to go to the cinema tomorrow because my appointment was cancelled.
- 7) Sadly I cannot make it to her birthday party on the 26th, I will be out of town.

# EXERCISE



Rewrite the sentences by making adverbs from the adjectives:

1) Anna is a secret smoker.

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2) Sam is a fast reader.

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3) David is a bad singer.

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4) Nela is a wonderful dancer.

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5) Richard is careful driver.

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6) Sylvia is a slow runner.


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# FRIEND EXERCISE



For the friend exercise you and your friend must each write 5 sentences using words that can be transformed into adverbs.

Then you must switch papers with your friend and turn each of their 5 sentences into sentences with an adverb, using the same verb they used.

Get creative and use a different verb per sentence. Try to use ones you haven't used at all! Most verbs have an adverb form so there are plenty of options.

Have fun!

# FRIEND EXERCISE

You may use this paper for the exercise.

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