

ADVERBS

What are adverbs?

Adverbs are used to modify verbs, adjectives, other adverbs and whole sentences.

They often (but not always) end in -ly.

Examples in action

Adverbs can modify a verb.

E.g He closed his eyes *slowly*.

She skipped over to her friends *gracefully*.

Adverbs can modify an adjective.

E.g The test was *really* hard.

Those shoes are *quite* pretty.

Adverbs can modify other adverbs.

E.g She chewed her food *very* slowly.

The weather man is *almost* always correct.



Be careful!

Some adverbs can also be used as adjectives; therefore, you need to look carefully at the job they are doing in the sentence.

E.g The train arrived *early*. (ADVERB)

I took an *early* train. (ADJECTIVE)

More examples:

really	extremely	
terribly	too	very
completely		totally
utterly		so