

Adverbs

Adverbs That Tell *When* or *Where*

Some adverbs tell **when** or **where** an action takes place.

Later, we went **outside** for a walk.

Your Turn Write each sentence. Circle each adverb. Then underline the verb it tells about.

1. I soon heard a sound.
2. Then I looked up.
3. A plane appeared overhead.
4. Next I saw parachutes open.
5. Sky divers eventually landed nearby.

Adverbs That Compare

For most adverbs, use **more** in front of the adverb to compare two actions. Use **most** in front of the adverb to compare more than two actions. For shorter adverbs, add **-er** to the adverb to compare two actions. Add **-est** to compare more than two actions. When the adverb ends in a consonant and y, change the y to *i* before adding **-er** or **-est**.

I ran **faster** than my friend, but he swam **more gracefully**.

Your Turn Write each sentence. Use the correct form of the adverb in ().

1. I practiced (hard) than my brother did. harder
2. My father may arrive (soon) than my mother. sooner
3. My mother drives (carefully) than he does. more carefully
4. I speak (quietly) in the car than I do on the field. more quietly
5. Dad listens (closely) of all the parents I know. most closely

Adverbs s.o.s.

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An **adverb** is a word that tells more about a verb. Adverbs tell *how*, *when*, or *where* an action takes place.

*She **often** reads **quietly** in class.*

Your Turn Write each sentence. Circle each adverb. Then underline the verb it tells about.

1. The boat moved slowly across the sea.
2. Sea gulls flew nearby.
3. A whale suddenly swam to the surface.
4. We ran fast to take a picture.
5. Soon it disappeared underwater.

Adverbs That Tell How

Some adverbs tell **how** an action takes place. Adverbs that tell *how* often end with *-ly*.

*The telephone rang **loudly**.*

Your Turn Write each sentence. Circle each adverb. Then underline the verb it tells about.

1. I quickly answered the phone.
2. A man talked rapidly to me.
3. I tried hard to understand.
4. I calmly asked him to repeat himself.
5. I wrote the information carefully.

L 3.1g: Form and use comparative and superlative adjectives and adverbs, and choose between them depending on what is to be modified.