

Extra Notes and Homework – WEEK 7

Instruction: Make sure to copy the given notes and exercises in your respective copybooks.

Adverbs – Form and Function

Adverbs are words which modify the meaning of a verb. Adverbs can also modify adjectives and other adverbs.

Example :

- She speaks **quickly**.

In the example above, “**quickly**” is an adverb which modifies the verb “**to speak**”. The adverb is used to express the way in which the subject speaks.

Grammatical Rules

1. The general rule for forming adverbs is to add the termination “**-ly**” to an adjective.

Examples:

- honest → **honestly**

2. For those adjectives that end in “**-y**”, the “**y**” becomes an “**i**”. The termination becomes “**-ily**.”

Examples:

- easy → **easily**

3. For adjectives which end in “**-ic**”, the termination changes to “**-ically**”.

Examples:

- _ automatic → _ **automatically**

- _ tragic → _ **tragically**

4. For adjectives that end in “**-le**”, the “**e**” is dropped and the termination “**-ly**” is added.

Examples:

- _ terrible → _ **terribly**

_ incredible → _ **incredibly**

5. Some adverbs don't change. The adjective and adverb are the same.

Examples

-hard

-fast

Function of Adverbs

Remember: As we have seen, *adjectives* tell us something about a noun (person, place or thing).

Adverbs, on the other hand, tell us something **about the way in which something is done**.

Adverbs can modify **verbs**, **adjectives** or **other adverbs**.

Examples:

Verb

- Miguel runs **fast**.
- You speak **loudly**.

Adverb

- He runs **really** fast.
- You speak **very** loudly.

Adjective

- I am **very** happy.
- She is **really** nice.

Exercise 1:

Write the adverb form of the following adjectives:

Example: beautiful - **beautifully**

1. Horrible
2. Fast
3. Crazy

4. Slow
5. Hard
6. Careful
7. Quiet
8. Happy

Exercise 2:

Choose the word to complete the sentence: *slowly / hard / honestly / easily / automatically / fast*

Example

-The exercise wasn't difficult. We did it **easily**.

1. The machine gives you a receipt _____. You don't need to ask for it.
2. It took us a long time to walk to the park. We were walking very _____.
3. We ate lunch in 5 minutes. We ate very _____.
4. You need to complete the immigration form _____ and tell the truth.
5. He worked very _____ and became a rich man.