

KS2 English Quiz - Adverbs 02 (Questions)

This KS2 English quiz takes a further look at adverbs. Adverbs are words that change adjectives and other adverbs, as well as verbs. You will know from the first adverb quiz - and from school - that adverbs can change verbs. But did you know they can also modify other types of words such as adjectives or other adverbs? Many words which we use every day work in this way.

Lots of adverbs end in the letters 'ly' but, as you know by now, English isn't always that straightforward and there are exceptions.

For this quiz, we want you to find the word which isn't an adverb. It might be helpful to look at each word in turn and put it in the sentence to see if it makes sense. Good luck!

1. Look at the four word choices for each sentence - three are adverbs and one is not. Select the word which is NOT an adverb.

The room was ____ quiet.



- unexpectedly
- quite
- surprisingly
- calm

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The curry was ____ spicy.



- hardly
- tasty
- very
- tremendously

3. Look at the four word choices for each sentence - three are adverbs and one is not. Select the word which is NOT an adverb.

The sunshine is ____ bright.



- shining
- too
- extremely
- rather

4. Look at the four word choices for each sentence - three are adverbs and one is not. Select the word which is NOT an adverb.

The purse was ____ empty.



- completely
- almost
- nearly
- light

5. Look at the four word choices for each sentence - three are adverbs and one is not. Select the word which is NOT an adverb.
The ____ green grass of summer was beginning to appear in the fields.



- amazingly
- tall
- brightly
- very

6. Look at the four word choices for each sentence - three are adverbs and one is not. Select the word which is NOT an adverb.
His speech to the class was ____ interesting.



- quite
- good
- unusually
- astonishingly

7. Look at the four word choices for each sentence - three are adverbs and one is not. Select the word which is NOT an adverb.
His teeth were ____ white.



- blindingly
- terrifically
- amazingly
- dazzling

8. Look at the four word choices for each sentence - three are adverbs and one is not. Select the word which is NOT an adverb.
The wind was ____ wild.



- blusteringly
- very
- powerful
- extraordinarily

9. Look at the four word choices for each sentence - three are adverbs and one is not. Select the word which is NOT an adverb.

She was ____ tired.



- so
- unbelievably
- really
- exhausted

10. Look at the four word choices for each sentence - three are adverbs and one is not. Select the word which is NOT an adverb.

The ____ cheap prices were a surprise.



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- incredibly
- good
- ridiculously

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'Calmly' is an adverb, but 'calm' is an adjective.

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The curry was ____ spicy.



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'Tasty' is an adjective.

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'Shining' is a verb and would need 'bright' to change to 'brightly' for the sentence to be correct.

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'Light' is an adjective.

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The grass can be 'brightly green', 'very green' or 'amazingly green'. It is 'tall' AND 'green', which shows that 'tall' is an adjective. Grass cannot be 'brightly' and 'green', or 'very' and 'green!' This is because 'brightly' and 'very' are adverbs.

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Although this phrase is commonly used, 'dazzling' is not correct here. His teeth are 'dazzling' AND 'white'.

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His speech to the class might have been good, but 'His speech to the class was good interesting' makes no sense!

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'Powerful' is an adjective.

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'Really' and 'so' are common adverbs.

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A clue here is that three of the answers end in 'ly' and are therefore possibly adverbs.