

8 Adverbs, AdvGs and Adverbials

Practice Run 1 *Adverb or Adjective? Put the correct word where it belongs in the sentences in the appropriate form.*

1. The teacher was a **fair/friendly** woman and she always treated the students **fairly/in a friendly way**.
2. We don't know how **bad** she felt but she looked **shocked**. (bad, shocked)
3. **honestly/to be honest**, I **honestly** had no idea why they argued so **heatedly**. (heated honest)
4. The burglar **thoroughly** ransacked the place **thoroughly** but **luckily** found little of value to take. (lucky, thorough)
5. You must (**carefully**) consider the options **carefully** and then choose what works **best** for you.
6. Three weeks later her boyfriend **suddenly** remembered her birthday and **belatedly** sent her a **belated** present.
7. **Fortunately** He (**fortunately**) looked at the proposal and **clearly** recognised **clearly** what could turn out **negatively** for us all.
8. Her expression had turned **serious** but she struck me as **calm** enough not to demand the **immediate** sacking of the director (**immediately**).

Practice Run 2 *Where do the adverbs, adverb groups and adverbials go?*

1. **later that evening**, When we got home **later that evening**, the fire was **still** alight **still**.
2. I would have **never** believed it possible./ **Never** would I have believed it possible....
3. I don't **very much** like fish **very much** which is fried in thick batter.
4. (**constantly**) He is being **constantly** told not to do that **constantly**, but **still** he goes on doing it all the same **still**.
5. **clearly, in the second half of her speech** She was (**clearly**) speaking to the younger members of his audience **in the second half of her speech**.
6. **usually** He **usually** goes to bed **early**.
7. **intellectually** It takes a long time to understand his music **intellectually**.
8. **last night** I **very much** / **really** enjoyed seeing that film **last night very much** (, ,)
9. (**certainly**) None of us has **ever** been **here** before and we shall **certainly never** (+ever) want to come **here again**.
10. **when she goes shopping** My mother can **seldom** resist buying flowers **when she goes shopping**. / **Seldom** can my mother resist buying flowers **when she goes shopping**.
11. (**in bed**) I **rarely** read the newspapers **in bed**. **rarely** do I read the newspaper **in bed**.
12. **last night** I had **hardly** got home **in my car last night** when **suddenly** it **suddenly** started to snow **suddenly**.
13. **in fact**, My age **in fact**, **only occasionally** prevents me from doing **exactly** what I want. **only occasionally, in fact**, does my age prevent me from doing exactly what I want.
14. I have **not** seen that kind of tree **anywhere in England**. (**not anywhere in England** have I seen that kind of tree)