

Adjectives vs. Adverbs Quiz Key

Distinguishing between adjectives and adverbs can be a problem because they share common features:

1. Both can have ly endings.

The friendly vampire lovingly drank the health of the townspeople.
(friendly is an adjective, lovingly an adverb.)

2. Both can be compared.

friendly	friendlier	friendliest
lovingly	more lovingly	most lovingly

3. Both can pattern with intensifiers.

The very small bird arrived very early for the worm. (small is and adjective, early and adverb)

Select the correct form for the following sentences and write adi or adv over the word.

1. He (correct, correctly-adv) defined the terms. The answer sounded (correct, correctly).
2. She (quick, quickly-adv) adjusted the fees. She adapted (quick, quickly-adv) to any situation.
3. The child's body was (perfect, perfectly-adv) proportioned.
4. He measured the floor (exactly-adv, exact). They proved to be (perfect, perfectly-adv) (exact-adj, exactly) measurements.
5. You must send the monthly payment (regular, regularly-adv). We deal on a (strict, strictly-adj) cash basis.
6. The horse galloped (wild, wildly-adv) over the plains. It was, however, not a (wild-adj, wildly) horse.
7. The stillness of the tomb was (awful-adj, awfully). The tomb was (awful, awfully-adv) still.
8. It was a (dangerous-adj, dangerously) swimming hole. The man was (dangerous, dangerously-adv) intoxicated. The gas smelled (dangerous-adj,

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dangerously).

9. He was a very (**sensible-adj**, sensibly) boy. He acted very (sensible, **sensibly-adv**).
10. He was a very (**careful-adj**, carefully) person. She worked (careful, **carefully-adv**) with the sick child.
11. She performed (magnificent, **magnificently-adv**). It was a (magnificent, **magnificently-adv**) beautiful drawing of the birth of a butterfly.
12. Her voice sounds (**beautiful-adj**, beautifully). She sang the song (exact, **exactly-adv**) as it was written. We heard it (perfect, **perfectly-adv**).