Adjectives vs. Adverbs Quiz

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

1. Both can have <u>ly</u> endings.

The friendly vampire <u>lovingly</u> 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 <u>small</u> bird arrived very <u>early</u> for the worm. (<u>small</u> 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) defined the terms. The answer sounded (correct, correctly).
- 2. She (quick, quickly) adjusted the fees. She adapted (quick, quickly) to any situation.
- 3. The child's body was (perfect, perfectly) proportioned.
- 4. He measured the floor (exactly, exact). They proved to be (perfect, perfectly) (exact, exactly) measurements.
- 5. You must send the monthly payment (regular, regularly). We deal on a (strict, strictly) cash basis.
- 6. The horse galloped (wild, wildly) over the plains. It was, however, not a (wild, wildly) horse.
- 7. The stillness of the tomb was (awful, awfully). The tomb was (awful, awfully) still.
- 8. It was a (dangerous, dangerously) swimming hole. The man was (dangerous, dangerously) intoxicated. The gas smelled (dangerous, dangerously).
- 9. He was a very (sensible, sensibly) boy. He acted very (sensible, sensibly).
- 10. He was a very (careful, carefully) person. She worked (careful, carefully) with the sick

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child.

- 11. She performed (magnificent, magnificently). It was a (magnificent, magnificently) beautiful drawing of the birth of a butterfly.
- 12. Her voice sounds (beautiful, beautifully). She sang the song (exact, exactly) as it was written. We heard it (perfect, perfectly).