

Comparatives and Superlatives: “-ly” Adverbs

FORM:

as “_____ly” as	2 things have the same quality
more “_____ly” than	1 thing has more of a quality than another thing
the most “_____ly”	1 thing, in a group of 3 or more, has the greatest amount of a quality

USE:

Many adjectives become adverbs when “-ly” is added to the end of the word. “Adverbs” modify verbs of action, adjectives, other adverbs and sometimes complete sentences.

EXAMPLES:

*He acted as brilliantly as his uncle who was the last president of the company.
During the difficult meeting, he acted more brilliantly than usual.
He acted the most brilliantly of all the group. (brilliant)*

Use the correct form in the following sentences.

1. She is taking dancing lessons and now she dances _____ than she did in the past. (*graceful*) I think she dances as _____ as a ballerina. (*graceful*)
2. However, my sister dances _____ in the family. (*graceful*)
3. Paul spoke _____ of the group at the last union meeting. (*angry*)
4. Taking vitamins will help you work much _____ than you used to. (*energetic*)
5. Tom drove _____ than usual because the roads were slippery. (*careful*)
6. I was disappointed because, of the whole group, I did _____ in the exam. (*poor*) I did as _____ as Bob did last term. (*poor*)
7. It rained _____ in April than it did in May. (*heavy*)
8. She doesn't speak as _____ as you do. (*soft*)

Advanced 1 – Exercise 3 – Comparatives and Superlatives: ``-ly`` Adverbs

Make a sentence with AS+ADVERB+AS, with MORE + ADVERB & THE MOST+ADVERB.

1. serious _____
2. intelligent _____
3. beautiful _____

Use the correct form (ADJECTIVE or ADVERB, COMPARATIVE or SUPERLATIVE) of the words below.

1. patient The nurse was _____ the doctor.
2. beautiful He sings _____ Frank Sinatra.
3. clean This place is _____ our neighbours.
4. clean I think it is _____ place I have ever visited.
5. neat You fold clothes _____ I do.
6. neat My mother is _____ person I know.
7. good You pronounce your words _____ most native speakers.
8. good You gave _____ presentation in the class.
9. busy Oxford street is _____ Oak avenue.
10. nervous He acted _____ the guilty party.
11. fast A Ferrari is _____ a Chrysler.
12. fast That race car driver is _____ on the track.
13. clear She expressed her ideas _____ than the other members and got her point across to the committee.
14. clear She has _____ pronunciation in the group.
15. early My mother always wakes up _____ my father.
16. early She wakes up _____ in the house.
17. funny His jokes are _____ mine.
18. fashionable Green is _____ color of the year.
19. loud I protested _____ of anyone at the meeting.
20. interesting Being at the game is _____ seeing it on television.

Decide whether the underlined words are right or wrong. Correct the wrong words.

1. I explained the matter to him patient. _____
2. His boss is easy satisfied. _____
3. He was very quiet when I asked him about his date. _____
4. His hobby is driving fast in expensive cars. _____
5. He is real happy; he won first prize! _____
6. I would be extreme happy if you visited me. _____
7. The story was sad told by the accident victim. _____
8. His English isn't very fluent, but he can speak two other languages fluent. _____
9. She has very good pronunciation. She pronounces words correct. _____
10. The letter must have been very careful written. _____

Complete the sentence with adverbs. The first letter(s) of each adverb are given.

1. He was booed by the audience because he sang very *ba*_____.
2. *I did it on purpose* means I did it *delib*_____.
3. The car was *seve*_____ damaged in the accident.
4. I am so happy, because I will finally work there *perm*_____.
5. The plane is *ful*_____ booked. Sorry, you'll have to take the next flight.
6. You should go step by step. This is not easy so, it should be done *grad*_____.
7. It reminds me of a palace, it is *tremen*_____ big.
8. We *quick*_____ tiptoed out of the room, so that we would not wake the baby.
9. Please get in touch with us soon, or as *qui*_____ as you can.
10. It snowed *hea*_____ last night, so I had to shovel a path to my car.