

Adverbs: Of Frequency

FORM: ALWAYS / OFTEN
USUALLY / SOMETIMES
SELDOM / NEVER

USE: These “**adverbs of frequency**” tell us how often verbs happen. They come before all verbs, but after the verb “to be”. “**Seldom**” means rarely. “**Often**” means frequently. “**Never**” means not...ever or at no time.

I usually arrive on time.

I am always late.

NOTE: “**Probably**” is not an adverb of frequency. It is used for one specific action in the present / past / future, or when one is 90% sure of something.

EXAMPLES: *He is probably tired.*
It probably rained last night.

I will probably go to Al's Pub tonight.

Put these words in the correct order to make a sentence.

1. smokes – office – never – He – his – in.

2. Miss Smith – tennis – sometimes – plays.

3. am – I – tired – always – night – at.

4. on – time – usually – arrives – at – work – Jim.

5. have – in – breakfast – usually – the – we – morning.

6. those – noisy – often – are – players- hockey.

7. always – It – January – is – in – cold.

8. sometimes – dancing – go – I.

9. usually – Henry – bus – nine o'clock – takes – the – at.

10. classical – concerts – seldom – go – I – to – music.
