

Common Errors: Adverbs

RULES

- An **adjective** describes a noun. An **adverb** tells more about a verb, an adjective, or another adverb.

I recently saw a really rare map for sale.

adverb adverb adjective

- Good** is an adjective. **Well** is an adverb.

It was a good example of how well they preserved ancient maps.

adjective adverb

- Do not use two negative words together in a sentence.

We could not find ~~no~~ ancient maps for a long time.

- Many adverbs are formed by adding **-ly** to an adjective. For most adverbs, do not change the spelling of the base word when you add **-ly**.

We finally found the map we were looking for.

Circle the word in parentheses () that completes each sentence correctly.

- I am (currently, current) learning about maps.
- Maps are (specifically, specific) used for many different purposes.
- Probably the most (commonly, common) used maps are road maps.
- Knowing how to use a road map (good, well) can be very important.
- A (good, well) street map can help you get around an unfamiliar city.
- Climate maps (usually, usual) use color to show what climates are like in different regions.
- An elevation map is an (equally, equal) important kind of map.
- Elevation maps (generally, general) show how high above or below sea level places are.
- You wouldn't (never, ever) use an elevation map as a road map.
- (Really, Real) old maps are my favorite kinds of maps.

At Home: Look around your house for a map. What kind of map is it? Write a paragraph describing the map. Use at least three adverbs.

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- An **adverb** can tell more about a verb.
- An adverb can tell **how**, **when**, or **where** an action takes place.

*Enrique moved **away** from home. (answers the question where?)*

*School starts **soon**. (answers the question when?)*

*He **anxiously** hopes to make friends. (answers the question how?)*

Underline the adverb in each sentence. Then write *how*, *when*, or *where* to tell which question the adverb answers.

1. Enrique's family recently moved to a new town. _____
2. His family moves often because of his father's work. _____
3. Everyone in the family really likes the new apartment. _____
4. An elementary school is located nearby. _____
5. Enrique is eagerly waiting to start school. _____
6. He usually worries about making friends. _____
7. Enrique then decides on a plan to help him. _____
8. He politely introduces himself to classmates. _____
9. He shyly shows classmates his card collection. _____
10. He immediately takes part in school activities. _____

