Exercise A

Each of the following sentences contains an adverb in italics. Draw an arrow from the adverb to the word it modifies. On the line provided, tell whether the modified word is a verb, an adjective, or an adverb.

EXAMPLES

adjective 1. We saw a very uplifting movie.

verb 2. Luis usually plays right field.

1. Ms. Katz plays tennis well.
2. Henry Louis Gates, Jr., is an exceptionally talented writer.
3. Melba seldom loses her head.
4. Herbert seemed unusually happy.
5. Should I slice the ancho chilies now?
6. Tranh cried out, “Don’t run so fast!”
7. I always enjoy Gary Soto’s poetry.
8. A rather funny clown was juggling oranges.
10. Sue works unusually hard on Saturdays.
11. Fran answered somewhat enthusiastically.
12. Does hay actually cause hay fever?
13. They play an extremely fast game.
14. We will play a double-header tomorrow.
15. At formal occasions, Jake speaks properly.
16. The dangerously narrow bridge scared me.
17. Can you really capture chiggers alive?
18. The second speech was less interesting.
19. He was fully aware of his plight.
20. Florence occasionally eats sushi.
Exercise B Underline each adverb in the following sentences. Then, circle the word or words the adverb modifies. On the line provided, write whether the adverb tells how, when, where, or to what extent.

Example _______ when _______ 1. Shall we leave now?

_______ 1. Akio arrived early.
_______ 2. I can run faster than you.
_______ 3. Lim Sing seems very sure of herself.
_______ 4. Later I believed him.
_______ 5. Our soccer team was too slow.
_______ 6. Is he always early?
_______ 7. Did you know that your new books are here?
_______ 8. Did you work hard?
_______ 9. Marina has been there.
_______ 10. This math problem is especially hard.
_______ 11. The boys work slowly.
_______ 12. Well, what shall we do now?
_______ 13. This Incan pottery was expertly made.
_______ 14. She will never believe you.
_______ 15. If you need any help, I will be there.
_______ 16. Emilia danced gracefully.
_______ 17. After saying goodbye to his mother, Joshua left yesterday for school.
_______ 18. She learned to make tamales easily.
_______ 19. Carla often goes to jazz concerts.
_______ 20. The fandango dance troupe rehearsed diligently.
_______ 21. The rain pounded heavily on the skylights and ran over the tops of the gutters.
_______ 22. Merrilee had soon finished washing the windows, so she polished the mirrors.
_______ 23. Will you please get the dog, which is digging in the back yard, and bring it here?
_______ 24. Kirk next diced onions and green peppers and put them into the pot to simmer.
_______ 25. The bowl and the beaters used for beating egg whites must be completely free of grease.
Worksheet 7

Identifying Adverbs

Exercise A
1. verb—plays
2. adjective—talented
3. verb—loses
4. adjective—happy
5. verb—should slice
6. adverb—fast
7. verb—enjoy
8. adjective—funny
9. adjective—drowsy
10. adverb—hard
11. adverb—enthusiastically
12. verb—Does cause
13. adjective—fast
14. verb—will play
15. verb—speaks
16. adjective—narrow
17. verb—Can capture
18. adjective—interesting
19. adjective—aware
20. verb—cats

Exercise B
1. when—early—arrived
2. how—faster—can run
3. to what extent—very—sure
4. when—Later—believed
5. to what extent—too—slow
6. to what extent—always—Is
7. where—here—are
8. how—hard—Did work
9. where—there—has been
10. to what extent—especially—hard
11. how—slowly—work
12. when—now—shall do
13. how—expertly—was made
14. when—never—will believe
15. where—there—will be
16. how—gracefully—danced
17. when—yesterday—left
18. how—casily—learned
19. to what extent (or when)—often—goes
20. how—diligently—rehearsed
21. how—heavily—pounded
22. when—soon—had finished
23. where—here—bring
24. when—next—diced
25. to what extent—completely—free

Worksheet 8

Identifying and Using Prepositions, Adverbs, Conjunctions, and Interjections

Exercise A
1. in; at
2. After; to
3. about; by
4. Behind; with
5. Since; of
6. from; on
7. For; about
8. in; on
9. Beyond; against
10. During; around

Exercise B
1. ADV
2. PREP
3. ADV
4. PREP
5. PREP

Exercise C
(Sentences will vary.)
1. We walked up the hill.
2. Throw the ball up in the air.
3. We swam down the creek.
4. Put that down right now!
5. Before climbing the fence, the boys throw their backpacks over.

Exercise D
1. both, and
2. when
3. and
4. but
5. if
6. Since
7. or
8. but
9. either, or
10. both, and

Exercise E
1. Whew
2. yikes
3. oh
4. Look
5. Wow