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An Adverb Can Tell How

Adverbs give us more information about the verb (action) in a sentence. Many, but not all, of the adverbs that tell how are easy to find in a sentence because they end in the letters -ly.

Example: He jumped excitedly at the good news.

Here are some adverbs that tell how something is/was done:

fast, happily, quickly, slowly, rapidly, suddenly, eagerly, gracefully, carefully, well, easily, greedily, quietly, neatly, correctly, gently, sadly

Complete each sentence with an adverb that makes sense.

1. The little boy wrote his name _____ on his homework page.
2. The proud mother leaned to _____ kiss her newborn baby's cheek.
3. The red-headed girl cried _____ when her ice cream fell down.
4. We watched as she danced _____ on the stage.
5. The librarian said to work _____ so we don't disturb others.
6. Stuffing pizza into his mouth _____, the teenager emptied his plate.
7. My little cousin didn't feel _____ after eating so much candy.
8. Anxious for our turn, we _____ waited in line for the roller coaster.
9. The test was so simple they _____ finished it before class was over.
10. He was sure he solved it _____, but he still checked his calculations.
11. The water in the river rose _____ after the storm began.
12. The fire department arrived _____ when the neighbor called 911.

Answers Key

Complete each sentence with an adverb that makes sense.

Actual answer may vary.

1. The little boy wrote his name **neatly** on his homework page.
2. The proud mother leaned to **gently** kiss her newborn baby's cheek.
3. The red-headed girl cried **sadly** when her ice cream fell down.
4. We watched as she danced **gracefully** on the stage.
5. The librarian said to work **quietly** so we don't disturb others.
6. Stuffing pizza into his mouth **greedily** , the teenager emptied his plate.
7. My little cousin didn't feel **well** after eating so much candy.
8. Anxious for our turn, we **eagerly** waited in line for the roller coaster.
9. The test was so simple they **easily** finished it before class was over.
10. He was sure he solved it **correctly**, but he still checked his calculations.
11. The water in the river rose **rapidly** after the storm began.
12. The fire department arrived **quickly** when the neighbor called 911.