

Adverbs

An *adverb* is a word that *describes* a *verb*, an *adjective* or another *adverb*.

They describe *how*, *when*, *where*. This section will focus on adverbs that explain *how*, as these help to describe a character's emotions and resulting actions, movements and speech. They can also be used when using *personification*.

Adverbs that describe *when* and *where* have been included in the section on 'Connectives'.

EXCITED, HAPPY

- ★ Excitedly, eagerly, enthusiastically, vivaciously, effusively
- ★ Quickly, loudly, energetically, jauntily
- ★ Happily, cheerfully, merrily, joyfully, gaily, gleefully, chirpily, jovially, blissfully, joyously, jubilantly, deliriously, elatedly, ecstatically, buoyantly, euphorically, exuberantly
- ★ Brightly, radiantly

DETERMINED

- ★ Determinedly, intently, diligently, earnestly, thoroughly, knavishly, single-mindedly
- ★ Repeatedly, continually, doggedly, relentlessly, persistently, staunchly, tenaciously, unswervingly, unwaveringly, resolutely

SYMPATHETIC, CARING

- ★ Quietly, softly, gently, calmly, patiently, soothingly
- ★ Kindly, warmly, sweetly, dearly, lovingly, fondly, tenderly, adoringly, kind-heartedly, generously, considerately, sensitively, compassionately, solicitously
- ★ Sympathetically, comfortingly, consolingly, supportively, coaxingly, cajolingly, encouragingly, reassuringly
- ★ Politely, thoughtfully, truthfully, honestly, sincerely, earnestly, wisely, meaningfully
- ★ Faithfully, loyally
- ★ Sadly, seriously, worriedly, solemnly

ANGRY, AGGRESSIVE, IRRITATED, IMPATIENT

- ★ Angrily, crossly, madly, wildly, roughly, fiercely, furiously, heatedly, thunderously
- ★ Aggressively, forcefully, violently, savagely, viciously, brutally, ferociously
- ★ Sharply, rudely, insultingly, offensively, obnoxiously, derisively
- ★ Sternly, tensely, irritably, impatiently, tetchily
- ★ Acidly, sourly, tartly
- ★ Defiantly, indignantly, quarrelsomely, antagonistically

COLD, EVIL, SLY, ARROGANT

- ★ Coldly, coolly, icily, frostily, stiffly, cold-heartedly, stonily
- ★ Acidly, jeeringly, caustically, scornfully, mockingly, sneeringly, tauntingly
- ★ Evilly, cruelly, wickedly, spitefully, brutally, brutishly, murderously, ruthlessly, mercilessly, grotesquely, hideously, noxiously, malevolently
- ★ Sinisterly, vilely, bloodthirstily, demonically, sadistically, remorselessly, fiendishly, masochistically, macabrely, cold-bloodedly, cold-heartedly
- ★ Slyly, craftily, cunningly, shiftily, deceitfully, sneakily, deviously, cagily, stealthily, furtively, covertly, clandestinely
- ★ Arrogantly, vainly, boastfully, pompously, triumphantly, victoriously

SCARED, FRIGHTENED, TIMID

- ★ Quickly, briskly, rapidly, speedily, hastily, swiftly
- ★ Wildly, urgently, frenetically, frantically, hysterically
- ★ Uneasily, doubtfully, tensely, hesitantly, worriedly, reluctantly, suspiciously
- ★ Shakily, weakly, limply, timorously

NERVOUS, ANXIOUS

- ★ Nervously, anxiously, cautiously, warily, carefully, uncertainly, tentatively
- ★ Doubtfully, reluctantly, apprehensively
- ★ Shakily, weakly, limply, helplessly, queasily

SAD, MISERABLE

- ★ Sadly, miserably, bleakly, gloomily, glumly, woefully
- ★ Seriously, solemnly, sombrely, soberly, gravely
- ★ Quietly, silently, mutely, hollowly, croakily, tearfully
- ★ Hopelessly, bleakly, mournfully, forlornly, despondently, dejectedly, resignedly, dispiritedly, mirthlessly, morosely, morbidly
- ★ Tragically, desperately, despairingly

TIRED

- ★ Sleepily, tiredly, wearily, drowsily
- ★ Slowly, weakly, feebly, limply, sluggishly, exhaustedly, jadedly, lethargically, listlessly

PAINFUL

- ★ Weakly, wearily, limply, shakily, unsteadily
- ★ Painfully, queasily, helplessly, mortally, fatally
- ★ Sharply, tightly, frantically