

Mistakes with adverbs

This grammar exercise tests your knowledge of adverbs.

Adverbs are words used to modify verbs. In the following sentences adverbs are not used correctly. Correct the mistakes and rewrite the sentences.

1. Julia worked hardly and passed the test.
2. Presently all of them disappeared soon.
3. I am very much sorry.
4. We scarcely see a lion.
5. Please tell me everything in details.
6. This movie is too interesting.
7. He behaved cowardly.
8. He comes always late to school.
9. I feel badly about it.
10. I enjoy to read novels.
11. He walked slow.
12. He is so rich.
13. She resembles closely to her mother.
14. These shoes are fairly uncomfortable.
15. The lecture was fairly boring.

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Answers

1. Julia worked hard and passed the test.
2. Presently all of them disappeared. / All of them disappeared soon.
3. I am very sorry.
4. We rarely see a lion.
5. Please tell me everything in detail.
6. This movie is very interesting.
7. He behaved like a coward. / He behaved in a cowardly manner. (Coward is an adjective; it cannot be used to modify the verb behaved.)
8. He always comes late to school.
9. I feel bad about it.
10. I enjoy reading novels.
11. He walked slowly. (Slow is an adjective; we need an adverb to modify verbs.)
12. He is very rich.
13. She resembles her mother closely. (Resemble does not take a preposition before the object.)
14. These shoes are rather uncomfortable.
15. The lecture was rather / quite boring.