Types of Adverbs

Type of Adverb	Description	Examples
Manner	Describes how an action is performed	slowly, beautifully, brilliantly
Time	Describes when an action took place	now, never, already
Place	Describes where an action took place	here, there, everywhere
Frequency	Describes how often an action takes place	always, sometimes, rarely

Adverb of Time

An adverb of time tells us when an action happened. Examples: yesterday, now, today, tonight, soon., now, tomorrow.

I am eating now.

I will see you today.

I have plans for tonight.

I visited my grandparents yesterday.

I have a meeting tomorrow.

I will be there soon.

Adverb of Frequency

An adverb of frequency tells us how often an action happens. Examples: always, often, never, rarely, sometimes. I often play basketball on weekends.

Sometimes I like to watch movies.

I rarely go to the library.

I usually have breakfast at 7 am.

I never eat junk food.

Adverb of Place

An adverb of place tells us where an action happened. Several adverbs of place can also serve as prepositions and must be followed by a noun when used as a preposition. Examples: here, there, everywhere, inside, outside.

Here is my pen.

There is a bird on the tree.

I looked everywhere for my keys.

Can we go anywhere for lunch?

I can't find my wallet, it's nowhere to be seen.

I need to go up to my room to get my book.

Let's go down to the park.

Adverb of Manner

An adverb of manner tells us how something was done or describe the way in which an action is performed. They often end in -ly, but not always. Examples: happily, loudly, quickly, carefully, beautifully. She ran quickly.

He spoke slowly.

The band played loudly.

She whispered softly.

The sunset was beautifully colored.

He handled the glass carefully.

She explained the situation clearly.

They laughed happily.