Read the poem below and look for adverbs. Underline the adverbs with a red crayon.

**Stanley VS. The Storm**  
by Lill Pluta

Outside the winds howl eerily.
The gray sky darkens drearily,
But Stanley does not care.

The branches clatter scarily,

The fright spikes Stanley’s hair.

Now Stanley trembles fearfully.
He mumbles nearly tearfully
And hides beneath a chair.
1. How would you describe the mood of the poem?

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2. What is Stanley's attitude toward the storm during the first two stanzas of the poem?

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3. What happens to Stanley during the third stanza of the poem?

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4. What does Stanley do at the end of the poem that shows his attitude about the storm has changed?

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Outside the winds howl eerily.
The gray sky darkens drearily,
But Stanley does not care.
The branches clatter scarily,
While Stanley whistles merrily
As lightning flashes glare.

Soon the storm booms thunderously,
And somehow, somewhat wondrously,
The fright spikes Stanley's hair.

Now Stanley trembles fearfully.
He mumbles nearly tearfully
And hides beneath a chair.

And hides beneath a chair.
1. How would you describe the mood of the poem?

Answers may vary. Students should indicate that the mood is scary, frightening, threatening, etc.

2. What is Stanley's attitude toward the storm during the first two stanzas of the poem?

Stanley doesn't care about the storm. He is whistling merrily. He doesn't seem bothered or scared.

3. What happens to Stanley during the third stanza of the poem?

Stanley becomes frightened and his hair spikes.

4. What does Stanley do at the end of the poem that shows his attitude about the storm has changed?

Stanley hides beneath a chair, which shows he is now afraid.