

Name: _____

Thinking About Adverbs

1. What is an adverb?

2. Read the sentence below.

Marla finally finished her homework.

What is the adverb in the sentence above? _____

What verb does this adverb modify? _____

The adverb describes _____ Marla finished her homework.
(Write the word *how*, *when* or *why* on the line.)

3. Write a sentence with an adverb that does *not* end with the letters *-ly*.
Underline the adverb.

4. Look at the underlined words in the sentence below. One of the underline words is an adverb. The other is an adjective.

Marla slowly walked across the long bridge.

In the sentence above, the word _____ is an adverb because

In the sentence above, the word _____ is an adjective because

ANSWER KEY

Thinking About Adverbs

1. What is an adverb?

Adverbs are words that modify (or describe) verbs. Adverbs can also modify (or describe) adjectives or other adverbs.

2. Read the sentence below.

Marla finally finished her homework.

What is the adverb in the sentence above? **finally**

What verb does this adverb modify? **finished**

The adverb describes **when** Marla finished her homework. (*How, when or why?*)

3. Write a sentence with an adverb that does not end with the letters *-ly*. Underline the adverb.

Answers will vary. Sample answer: We often play at the park.

4. Look at the underlined words in the sentence below. One of the underline words is an adverb. The other is an adjective.

Marla slowly walked across the long bridge.

In the sentence above, the word **slowly** is an adverb because it modifies the verb walked. It describes how she walked.

In the sentence above, the word **long** is an adjective because modifies the noun bridge. It describes the length of the bridge.