The Adverb

Use an adverb with

- a verb
  - einen Zeitwort

- an adjective
  - einen Adjektiv

- another adverb
  - einem anderen Adverb

She sings beautifully.

She is very beautiful.

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verb   adv.
adv.   adv adj.
adv.   adv.

Change adjectives into adverbs by adding –ly = EASY!

Example:
Correct > correctly
exact (genau) >
honest (ehrlich) >
quiet (ruhig) >
light (leicht) >
slow (langsSAM) >
expensive (teuer) >
cheerful (fröhlich) >
careful (sorgfältig) >
polite (höflich) >

Change the adjectives into adverbs and mind the spelling = CAREFUL!

full > fully
ttrue (wahr) > truly
noble (vornehm) > nobly
terrible (schrecklich) >
happy (fröhlich) > happily
lucky (glücklich) >
angry (ärgerlich) >
easy (leicht) >
pretty (hübsch) >
This adverb is irregular: good > well
She is a good pupil (adj.) She works well (adv.).

This adverb looks like an adjective:
fast (heftig) It was raining fast.

These adverbs have two forms and two meanings:
hard (schwer) – We always work hard.
hardly (kaum)- They hardly worked.
near (nahe) We stood near.
nearly (beinahe). You nearly fell down.

These adverbs don’t look like adverbs:
here, there, down, now, today, yesterday, rather;

Don’t use adverbs after:
look (aussehen) – You look fine today.
feel (sich fühlen) – I feel bad.
taste (schmecken) – The soup tastes good.
smell (riechen) – The garbage bin (Abfallkübel) smells awful.
to be (sein) – This was easy. They will be cheerful again.
to seem (scheinen) – This seems fine.
to become (werden) After midnight it will become quiet.

Kumaris birthday surprise
Find the 16 adverbs in the following text and highlight them.

Kumari is an Indian girl.
Her family had come to Austria recently. (1x).
Kumari looked out of the window. “Today is my birthday”, she thought happily. (1x)
Her mother came into the room cheerfully and said, “Happy birthday, Kumari!” (1x)
Kumari thought of her home in India, where the sun shone brightly every day. (1x)
Here in Austria the weather was bad and it was raining fast. (2x)
‘In school they won’t know about my birthday’, Kumari thought sadly. (1x)
She dressed quickly, but then she walked to school very slowly. (3x)
She opened the door of the classroom.
Her friends shouted cheerfully, “Happy birthday, Kumari.” (1x)
Her desk was decorated beautifully, and on top there was a fine birthday cake. (1x)
It tasted very good. (2x) Kumari was very happy. (2x)
Comparing

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Where to place adverbs in a sentence?
Be careful with the word order.

Adverbs of time (*Zeitadverbien*): today, yesterday, tomorrow, at noon, in the evening, at five o’clock, that afternoon, on Friday, this morning ….

Adverbs of place (*Ortsadverbien*): in the garden, at school, in Austria, in the garage, in the house, on the table, ….

Adverbs of indefinite time (*unbestimmte Zeitadverbien*): often, never, always, soon, sometimes, usually, nearly, hardly, just, ….

Adverbs of manner (*Adv. der Art und Weise*): hardly, really, nearly, really, ….

Here is the end of the story “A birthday surprise”

That day Kumari and her friends celebrated birthday happily in their class. (3x)

“We shall celebrate all our birthdays in school,” said Kumari’s friends. (1x)

Their teacher liked the idea very well. (2x)

Now birthdays are celebrated regularly in Kumari’s school. (3x)