

Homework

Grading Adverbs

A. Underline the correct Grading Adverb in each sentence.

1. Sam's exam results were *fairly* / *extremely* good. Not as good as we'd hoped, though.
2. Omelette's are *slightly* / *very* easy to prepare. Anyone can make one!
3. It was an *unusually* / *slightly* heavy snowfall. Far heavier than any we'd had before.
4. The music is *very* / *fairly* loud. Please turn it down before you wake the whole neighbourhood!
5. The artist is a genius! All his paintings are *extremely* / *slightly* realistic.

B. Match the sentence halves together, underlining the correct Grading Adverb in each ending.

1. I didn't expect to enjoy the play, but it turned out a. *dreadfully* / *fairly* sorry!
2. Oops! I didn't mean to spill wine on you. I'm b. *hugely* / *slightly* successful.
3. We hadn't eaten all day, so we were all c. to be *very* / *slightly* good.
4. He went on to become a writer, and all his books were d. are *very* / *reasonably* priced.
5. It's 16 degrees in Pisa and 18 degrees in Rome. Rome e. *a little* / *extremely* hungry.
6. Anna's grandad is celebrating his 120th birthday. He's f. doesn't get *very* / *rather* cold.
7. Temperatures never drop below 16 degrees here. It g. is *very* / *slightly* hotter than Pisa.
8. We buy a lot of our clothes there. They fit well and h. *extremely* / *fairly* old!
9. Whilst he'll never be a billionaire, Ron is still i. *immensely* / *slightly* profitable.
10. I'm glad I made that investment. It turned out to be j. *rather* / *a little* well-off.

C. Complete the sentences using a suitable adjective from the box and underlining the correct Grading Adverb.

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1. This car is *a little* / *very* that the last one, but only by a few euros.
2. I'm *fairly* / *extremely* this bus goes to Ely, but let's ask the driver just in case.
3. So much snow was falling that it was *reasonably* / *very* to see the road.
4. My doctor says I'm *slightly* / *very*, but only by a kilogram, so he's not worried.
5. We were all *fairly* / *extremely* when we heard that we'd won £10 million.



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Homework answers

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Exercise A

1. fairly
2. very
3. unusually
4. very
5. extremely

Exercise B

1. c, very
2. a, dreadfully
3. e, extremely
4. b, hugely
5. g, slightly
6. h, extremely
7. f, very
8. d, reasonably
9. j, rather
10. i, immensely

Exercise C

1. a little cheaper
2. fairly sure
3. very hard
4. slightly overweight
5. extremely excited