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## Mastery Course

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## Adverbs

**Mastery Course on Adverb**



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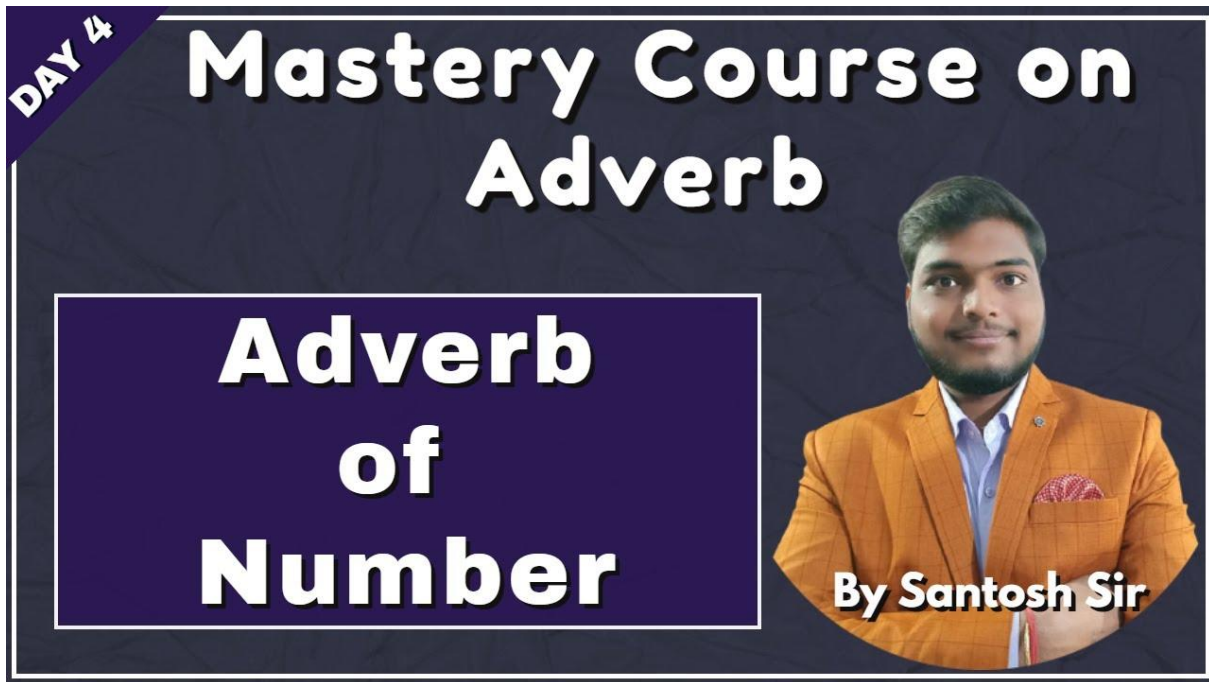
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# Adverbs Day 4



## Introduction to the course

- ❖ It's important that we have the knowledge of Adverbs along with the knowledge of tenses and grammar topics. So, this time we have brought a special course for you all.
- ❖ In this course you will get mastery on Adverbs.
- ❖ Your spoken part will improve.
- ❖ Your written part will be rhetoric, after you have attended all the sessions of this course.

## Adverbs of Frequency

Adverbs of Frequency are adverbs of time that answer the question "How frequently?" or "How often?". They tell us how often something happens. Here are some examples:

- a. daily, weekly, yearly
- b. often, sometimes, rarely

You probably see a difference between a) and b) above. With words like *daily* we know exactly how often. The words in a) describe definite frequency. On the other hand, words like *often* give us an idea about frequency but they don't tell us exactly. The words in b) describe indefinite frequency.

## The Position of the Adverb in a Sentence

An adverb of frequency goes **before** a main verb (except with To Be).

**Subject + adverb + *main verb***

I **always** *remember* to do my homework.

He **normally** *gets* good marks in exams.

An adverb of frequency goes **after** the verb To Be.

**Subject + *to be* + adverb**

They *are* **never** pleased to see me.

She *isn't* **usually** bad tempered.

When we use an auxiliary verb (have, will, must, might, could, would, can, etc.), the adverb is placed between the auxiliary and the main verb. This is also true for to be.

**Subject + *auxiliary* + adverb + *main verb***

She *can* **sometimes** *beat* me in a race.  
 I *would* **hardly ever** *be* unkind to someone.  
 They *might* **never** *see* each other again.  
 They *could* **occasionally** *be* heard laughing.

We can also use the following adverbs at the start of a sentence:

Usually, normally, often, frequently, sometimes, occasionally

- Occasionally, I like to eat Thai food.

BUT we **cannot** use the following at the beginning of a sentence:

Always, seldom, rarely, hardly, ever, never.

We use **hardly ever** and **never** with positive, **not** negative verbs:

- She **hardly ever** comes to my parties.
- They **never** say 'thank you'.

We use **ever** in questions and negative statements:

- Have you **ever** been to New Zealand?
- I haven't **ever** been to Switzerland. (The same as 'I have never been Switzerland').

## Adverbs of Number

Adverb of number is used to show number of actions of the verb in a sentence. Adverbs of number are like firstly, secondly, once, yearly, never, twice, lastly, etc.

For example:

- I eat food **twice** a day. (in this sentence, 'twice' is an adverb of number)
- He saw me **once**. (in this sentence, 'once' is an adverb of number, however it can also be an adverb of time depends on how it is used in the sentence).

## About the Instructor

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