Chapter- 6

Adverb of frequency

STUDY NOTES

She drives carefully.

She drives really carefully.

She's a very good driver.

It talks about the frequency of an action, or how often something happens.

Adverbs of frequency have different position in a sentence. These adverbs can be placed before the main verb.

Examples- always, often, sometimes, regularly, rarely, monthly, weekly, never, seldom, yearly, ever, hardly



The above scale shows adverbs in the decreasing order of their frequency.

1. Underline the adverbs of frequency in the sentences below.

- a. Mohan rarely attends the music classes after school.
- b. You should visit your dentist regularly.
- c. I <u>usually</u> sleep early, but last night I stayed up late.
- d. How often do you meet your friends?

e. I am not a professional singer. I sing occasionally.

2. Underline the most appropriate adverb of frequency in each sentence.

- a. Pritha amazes me. She is never / always so happy and lively.
- b. I have frequently / <u>never</u> seen him come on time. He is always late.
- c. Devika is a good student. Her answers in the English class are seldom / usually right.
- d. Nurul and I had a fight in the second standard. I always / rarely talk to him now.
- e. I seldom / often worry about the exams. I have studied well this year.

3. Read the following sentences and underline the correct word order.

- a. Shaila eats always / always eats with her group of friends.
- b. Raju and Anirban always meet up / meet up always to study together.
- c. Anu seldom says / says seldom anything bad about anyone.
- d. Snehs's answers in calss are right usually / usually right.
- e. Rahul has always / always has his books with him.
- f. Josh picks up sometimes / sometimes picks up his friends while going to school.

4. Underline the adverbs of frequency in the passage below and arrange them in the decreasing order of their frequency.

This is Martha. She likes to stay active. She <u>never</u> goes to bed late and <u>usually</u> gets up early so that she can go out for a run. She <u>sometimes</u> goes swimming at the sports centre. <u>Often</u>, she rides her father's old bicycle to her school. She is also a musician. Martha **frequently** attends music concerts in the city auditorium. She <u>seldom</u> watches TV because she likes doing things outside.

5. Choose the correct adverbs of frequency from the box and complete the sentences. There could be more than one correct answer.

- a. I am never late. I always arrive on time for school.
- b. Sai is good at mathematics. He always scores more than 90.
- c. I usually eat at the restaurant across the street. They serves good food.
- d. I rarely take a bus to school. I hate travelling by bus.
- e. My uncle often allows me to take his dog out for walk. He is very sweet.

6. Given below are a few adverbs of frequency. Use them to make sentences, as per the instructions given in bracket.

- a. Rarely-I rarely go for swimming classes these days.
- b. Always-I am always ready for my football practice
- c. Regularly- You should study regularly.
- d. Seldom- She seldom watched TV in the afternoon.
- e. Sometimes-Sometimes I go for a walk in the park.