

2 Certain adverbs form word partnerships with verbs and adjectives, and are used as intensifiers. Decide which adverb in the box would go with each group of sentences.

deeply heavily hugely properly strictly
strongly terribly utterly

- 1 You are recommended to keep copies of all documents.
Many people are opposed to the expected tax on energy sources.
We believe in the need to reform employment laws.
- 2 It's been raining all day.
The firm invested in new technologies
Their marketing campaign will rely on digital social media.
- 3 The event was successful.
He was a popular candidate.
The location of the new factory is a important signal.
- 4 Without their help, it would have been impossible to arrange the conference.
Their proposal was ridiculous.
The bank has failed in its mission to help the developing world.
- 5 We're sorry about the misunderstanding.
It was difficult to hear what was being said.
Something went wrong during the negotiations.
- 6 This computer isn't working
It's vital that staff be trained to do their jobs.
It proved difficult to manage the department
- 7 Try to relax and breathe
We were grateful to everyone for their help.
She was disappointed not to get the job.
- 8 The ban on smoking is enforced in the company.
..... speaking, it's not mandatory to comply with the approved standard.
It's not necessary to complete this now.

3 Look at the comments below and replace the phrases in brackets with an adverb in the box.

apparently actually by the way fortunately
frankly honestly obviously understandably

- 1 (This is evident I know, but) we'll have to pay someone to translate this into French.
- 2 (This is something I've heard, but it may not be true:) the CEO is retiring this year.
- 3 (This is my opinion, although it might be shocking:) I never thought she was right for the job.
- 4 (I'm pleased about this:) everything went very well at the presentation.

- 5 (What I'm going to say is not related to our conversation:) have you seen his new car?
- 6 (You can sympathise with this:) I was upset when I was told to redo the work.
- 7 (This is the situation:) I don't think you need me at this meeting.
- 8 (What I'm saying is true:) they didn't hear that rumour from me.

4 Some adjectives have two corresponding adverbs. Choose the correct form to complete each sentence.

1 deep/deeply

- a) The firms sank into debt during the recession.
- b) He was disappointed with the results.
- c) Crews are working underground to build the tunnel.

2 fair/fairly

- a) The instructions seem straightforward.
- b) In international trade, very few countries play
- c) We have a good relationship with the supplier.

3 high/highly

- a) The car industry is competitive.
- b) My boss always encourages me to aim
- c) They contracted a paid expert.

4 late/lately

- a) Can you work tonight?
- b) What have you been doing ?
- c) All the stores in the mall are open for the sales.

5 near/nearly

- a) It took two hours to get there.
- b) We haven't saved enough money.
- c) The job wasn't anywhere finished.

6 sharp/sharply

- a) We're meeting at one-thirty
- b) London share prices fell yesterday.
- c) Opinion is divided in the local community.

7 short/shortly

- a) Excuse me, I will be back
- b) The company's profits fell of expectations.
- c) Her boss cut her in the middle of her presentation.

8 wrong/wrongly

- a) Something's gone with the format of this document.
- b) He was accused of illegal file sharing.
- c) This isn't the place. We must have got the room number