

Adverbs of Frequency (exercises)

1. We use adverbs of frequency to say how often something happens.
2. We normally put an adverb of frequency *after* the verb *be*. He's often late for school.
before most other *verbs*. You never phone me.



1) Complete the chart with the adverbs of frequency given in the box.

sometimes usually always hardly ever often never rarely occasionally

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1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____ 4 _____ 5 _____ 6 _____ 7 _____ 8 _____

2) Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

1. go swimming / sometimes / on Sundays / I
2. in our house / cold / it's / often
3. usually / is / hungry / Sam / after school
4. goes / never / my cousin / cycling
5. Mark and Ted / books / hardly ever / read
6. I / my homework / in my room / do / always
7. snows / in this area / rarely / it

3) Rewrite the sentences. Use the adverbs of frequency in brackets.

1. I'm late for school in the morning. (rarely)
2. Sam goes out with his friends. (occasionally)
3. Ann surfs the Net in the evening. (usually)
4. My best friend takes photos at school. (never)
5. They are at home in the evening. (often)
6. Ted reads magazines about fashion. (hardly ever)
7. We speak English in English classes. (always)



4) Write questions. Use *How often....?* Then write true answers with frequency adverbs.

1. you / surf the Net? _____
2. you / play board games? _____
3. you / listen to music ? _____
4. your best friend / call you ? _____
5. your grandparents / use a computer? _____
6. your mum / do the shopping ? _____
7. you / do the washing-up ? _____
8. your English teacher / speak Chinese ? _____

5) Work in pairs. Ask and answer questions. Tick your partner's answers.

Are you in tune?

QUIZ

How often

1. ... do you listen to classical music?
a) Often b) Sometimes c) Rarely d) Never
2. ...do you sing in the bath or shower?
a) Rarely b) Sometimes c) Never d) Often
3. ... do your parents listen to the same music as you?
a) Never b) Sometimes c) Often d) Rarely
4. ... do you listen to music while you are doing your homework?
a) Often b) Sometimes c) Rarely d) Never
5. ...do you buy CDs?
a) Never b) Sometimes c) Rarely d) Often
6. ... do you go to live concerts?
a) Often b) Sometimes c) Rarely d) Often
7. ... do you play the piano / the guitar or other musical instruments?
a) Never b) Sometimes c) Rarely d) Often