Comparison of adverbs, adverbs of degree

1 Match the sentences to complete the rules.

1 Adverbs that end -ly, e.g. quickly ...
2 Adverbs that have the same form as adjectives, e.g. fast ...
   a … add -er / -est to the adverb.
   b … add more / most before the adverb.

2 Complete the sentences with the correct adverbial form of the adjectives in parentheses.

1 Does sound travel _____________ (fast) than light?
2 No, sound travels _____________ (slow) than light.
3 Modern cars run _____________ (quiet) than in the past.
4 Where does the Earth rotate _____________ (rapid)?
5 Which began _____________ (early): life on land or in the ocean?
6 Life began _____________ (late) on land, and developed _____________ (rapid) in the ocean.
7 I’m _____________ (good) at science than most of my friends.

3 Check (✔) the adverbs of degree.

1 extremely
2 fast
3 farther
4 incredibly
5 pretty
6 rapidly
7 really

4 Complete the sentences with an adverb of degree.

1 It gets dark i _____________ quickly at the Equator.
2 He’s easy to understand because he speaks p _____________ slowly.
3 Don’t worry! They are r _____________ friendly people.
4 Some of my friends are v _____________ good at science, but I find the ideas i _____________ hard to understand.
5 Humans appeared on the planet p _____________ recently; about two million years ago.
6 Light travels e _____________ quickly.