

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.