

English Home Language Grade 8

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- Adjectives and adverbs are both descriptive words, but they modify different parts of speech.
- Adjectives modify nouns and pronouns, while adverbs modify verbs, adjectives, or other adverbs.
- Many adverbs end in "-ly".

Adjectives:

- Describe or modify nouns and pronouns.
- Answer questions like "what kind?", "which one?", "how many?", or "how much?" about a noun or pronoun.
- Examples: happy, slow, quiet, big, black, small
- Example in a sentence: "The big black dog ran quickly." (Here, "big" and "black" are adjectives modifying the noun "dog").

Adverbs:

- Describe or modify verbs, adjectives, or other adverbs.
- Often indicate how, when, where, or to what extent an action is performed.
- Many adverbs end in "-ly".
- Examples: quickly, slowly, yesterday, very, extremely
- Example in a sentence: "The dog ran quickly." (Here, "quickly" is an adverb modifying the verb "ran").