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Lesson 12.5.5 Adverbs

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EXERCISE 1 Recognizing Adverbs

In the travel article below, underline each adverb once and each intensifier twice.

EXAMPLE The Paris conference was suddenly cancelled, but we quite happily decided to spend the weekend in Bruges, Belgium.

Spring Weekend Trip: Bruges, Belgium

Intensifiers
 are adverbs
 that answer the
 question *to what
 extent or how
 much*.

Examples:

I *nearly* tripped
 while walking on
 the cobblestones
 in *really* high heels.
 We got lost twice
 during the *rather*
 short trip.

¹ Having only forty-eight hours to spend and with one day's notice to plan, we eagerly took the train northeast from Paris to Bruges. ² The historic city, frequently called "the Venice of the North," seemed like the perfect getaway. ³ We arrived very late on Friday and quickly made our way on foot to the city center. ⁴ The winding, cobblestone roads were somewhat difficult to walk on initially, but we did not think about that when we saw the Minnewater (the canalized lake that winds through the city) and the lovely scenery. ⁵ There, in March, the tall and narrow poplars stretched upward, and the lush green meadow was nearly covered in a sea of yellow daffodils. ⁶ Strolling through the meadow, we carefully followed the map to the quaint Hotel Heritage, where we unpacked and excitedly discussed our weekend plans. ⁷ We had time to tour the Minnewater canals, quickly climb the belfry tower, and walk along streets that have remained extraordinarily unchanged for centuries.

EXERCISE 2 Revising with Adverbs

Revise each sentence, adding adverbs to provide more information and create interest. You may add, delete, or rearrange other words as needed.

- We took a boat tour along the Minnewater.

- Many well-preserved buildings in Bruges date from medieval times.

- The people in Bruges spoke English to us and Flemish (Dutch) to each other.

- We took a walking tour, and we ate at a restaurant.

- We ate fish for dinner and ate little ice cream for dessert.
