

English Language

Top 40 Most Important Error Detection Questions of Adverb (Solution)

1. (b) Replace 'skilful' with '**skillfully**'. '**Skillfully**' is an adverb that qualifies the verb '**handled**' here.
2. (d) Replace 'for' with '**since**'. '**Since**' is used with 'ever' as an adverb. The proper way should be 'ever since'.
3. (a) Replace 'very' with '**much**'. '**Very**' should be used before Positive degree and '**much**' should be used before Comparative degree.
4. (c) Remove quite. '**Quite all**' cannot be used together. Either '**quite right**' or '**all right**' should be used.
5. (a) Replace 'too' with '**very**'. 'Too' denotes 'more than required'. It is generally used with unpleasant adjectives.
6. (b) Replace 'too much' with '**much too**'. Here, **painful** is an adjective. 'Much too' is followed by 'adjective'; whereas 'too much' is followed by 'noun'.
7. (d) Replace 'fairly' with '**rather**'. 'Fairly' is used with pleasant adjectives e.g. fairly good, fairly wise etc. 'Rather' is used with unpleasant adjectives e.g. rather dull, rather difficult etc.
8. (a) 'Carefully' will come after 'examined'. **Carefully** is an adverb of manner and should be used after the verb. The correct sentence should be '**When examined carefully**'.
9. (b) '**Always**' being an adverb of Frequency has to come before verb. The correct sentence is '**our county should always make**'.
10. (c) The adverb required here is '**hard**' meaning practising '**sincerely**' and '**hardly**' means 'not at all'.
11. (d) 'Ever' should be replaced by '**never**'. **Seldom** means rarely and infrequently and **ever** means at any time or always and here the sentence is talking about something that happens very rarely or not at all.
12. (d) **Implement** is the verb and **well** is the adverb so '**well**' must be placed after 'implement'. In this way the sentence would be like "**how to implement the policy well**".
13. (b) Replace only eat by "**Eat only**" as '**Only**' should be placed immediately before the word it qualifies.
14. (b) Adverbs can modify adjectives but adjectives cannot modify adverbs thus the adverb **really** must be placed before **wonderful** to make the sentence grammatically correct.
15. (a) Replace 'did not know hardly' by '**hardly knew**'. **Hardly** means 'almost not' and it is used as an adverb.
16. (a) Replace 'something' by '**anything**'.
17. (b) Replace 'very' with '**much**'. '**Very**' should be used before Positive degree and '**much**' should be used before Comparative degree.
18. (b) We need an adjective here so replace '**late**' by '**lately**'.
19. (c) Place '**Soundly**' after '**slept**' as adverbs come after verbs.

20. (a) Replace 'nothing' with '**anything**'. 'Barely anything' means "almost nothing is there" or "very very little is there."
21. (a) Replace 'too' by '**very**'.
22. (b) Replace 'nobler' by '**more nobly**'. **Nobler** is an Adjective and here we need an Adverb.
23. (c) Replace 'neither' by '**either**'.
24. (a) Delete '**not**' as **seldom** itself means not often, rarely.
25. (a) Replace 'meet him often' by '**often meet him**' as adverb of Frequency comes before verb in a sentence.
26. (b) Replace 'blunt' by '**bluntly**' as **blunt** is an adjective and we need an adverb here.
27. (a) Replace 'sure' by '**surely**' as we need an adverb here.
28. (a) Replace 'never' by '**do not**'
29. (c) Replace 'so' by '**very**'.
30. (b) Delete '**with**' The sentence should be like "**Mahatma Gandhi tried to eradicate social evils tooth and nail**".
31. (b) Replace 'lately' by '**late**' as we need an adjective at the place of adverb here.
32. (b) Here, 'careful' is an adjective which should be replaced by '**carefully**' which is an adverb.
33. (c) Replace manly by '**manually**' as **manly** is an adjective, it means brave / strong.
34. (d) Replace 'violent' by '**violently**' as **violent** is intended to modify 'to react' a verb form. So the adverb **violently** is required.
35. (a) **Recent** is intended to modify 'created' which is itself an adjective form modifying commission. Therefore recent should be **recently**.
36. (a) '**Not hardly**' is a double negative. The sentence must begin with '**hardly**'.
37. (c) '**Scarcely nothing**' is a double negative. The sentence must be read '**Scarcely anything**'.
38. (d) Replace 'vividly' with '**vivid**'. Here 'vividly' is an adverb which cannot qualify a noun 'reason' and an adjective is needed here.
39. (d) Replace 'sweetly' with '**sweet**'. After the words taste, feel, seem, appear, look, smell, remain adjective should be used not adverb.
40. (d) Replace 'lately' with '**late**' as 'lately' is an adverb which denotes 'recently' and 'late' denotes 'after the fixed, right or usual time'.

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