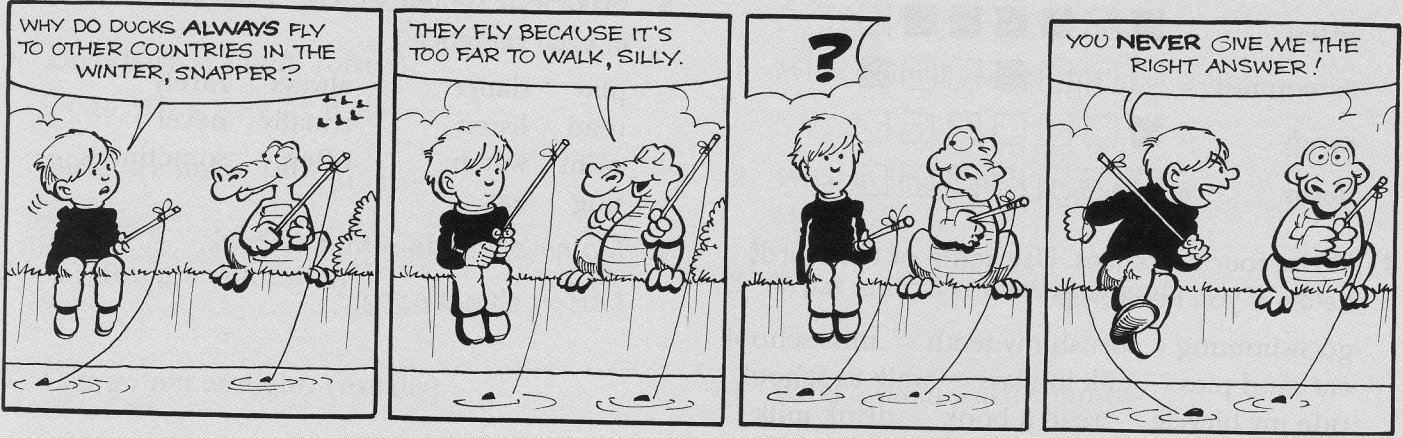
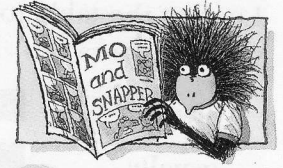


Adverbs of frequency



1 Tick (✓) the correct box.

Ducks go to other countries in the winter.

How do they get there?

They walk. They fly.

GRAMMAR

REMEMBER!

The present simple is to talk about things that you do again and again.

I go to school.

He has breakfast at eight o'clock.

Ducks always fly away in the winter.

See Chapter 18.

2 Write four things that you do every day.

- ▶ I go to school.
-
-
-
-

A

Adverbs of frequency tell you *when* something happens. Use them with the present simple.

Noun	Verb
Ducks	fly.
Snapper	eats ice cream.
Mo	walks to school.

Noun	Adverb	Verb
Ducks	always	<i>fly away in the winter.</i> = every winter
Snapper	never	<i>eats ice cream.</i> = He doesn't eat ice cream.
Mo	usually	<i>walks to school.</i> = most days but not every day

3 What do these sentences mean? Tick the correct boxes.

- 1 Snapper **always** gets up at six o'clock.
He gets up at six every day. He doesn't get up at six.
- 2 Mo **never** does his homework.
He does his homework. He doesn't do his homework.

B

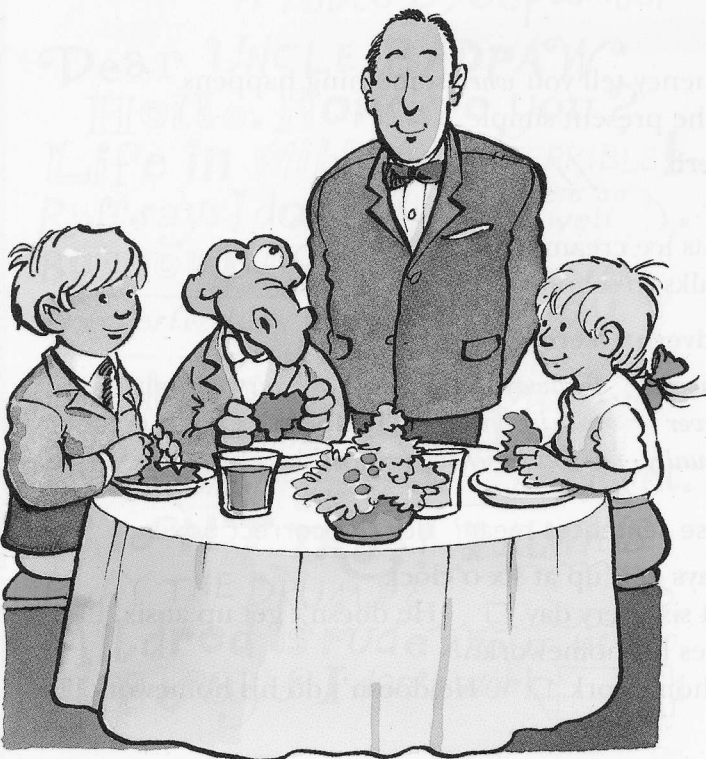
always = all the time; **never** = not at all
Look at the table to see what the other words mean.

always	=	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■
usually	=	■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ □
often	=	■ □ ■ ■ ■ ■ □
sometimes	=	□ □ □ ■ □ □ ■
rarely	=	■ □ □ □ □ □ □
never	=	□ □ □ □ □ □ □

4 Write four sentences. Use some of the words below if you need help.

- go swimming brush my teeth miss school
- eat mud pies talk in class walk to school
- ride my bicycle read a book drink milk
- play with friends stand on my head

- ▶ Snapper rarely *eats lettuce.*
- I sometimes
- I often
- I never
- I usually



C

You can put these adverbs *before* all full verbs.

- I **always** get up at six o'clock.*
- Snapper **sometimes** helps Mo to do his homework.*
- We **never** eat chocolate.*
- They **usually** go swimming on Thursdays.*

5 Make four sentences. Use a verb and an adverb in each sentence.

- play dance always rarely
- read listen usually never
- swim watch often sometimes
- sing eat

- ▶ *Mo **never** reads a Maths book.*
- I **often** sing a song.*
-
-
-
-

D

You can also put these adverbs *after* **be**.

- I'm **always** happy.*
- Mo **is usually** hungry.*
- We're **often** busy.*
- Mo and Snapper **are never** bored.*

6 Put the words in the correct order.

- ▶ unhappy. never Snapper is
- Snapper **is never** unhappy.*
- 1 is sometimes Mo naughty.
-
- 2 is always hungry. Snapper
-
- 3 Mo's mum is tired. often
-
- 4 is Milly usually happy.
-

P

PRACTICE

7

a Put the adverbs in the correct places.
Be careful!

► Dogs bark at night. (often)
Dogs often bark at night.

1 Birds are noisy. (often)
.....

2 Giraffes are tall. (always)
.....

3 Cats go out at night. (usually)
.....

4 Bears climb trees. (sometimes)
.....

5 Rabbits have long ears. (always)
.....

6 Monkeys are very clever. (usually)
.....

7 Snakes bite people. (sometimes)
.....

8 Cats like water. (rarely)
.....

9 Chickens fly. (never)
.....

10 Ducks stand on one leg. (often)
.....

b Work with a partner. Answer these questions.
There are lots of possible answers.

► What animal sometimes has red eyes?
A rabbit sometimes has red eyes.

What animal always has a tail?
A horse always has a tail.

1 What animal always lives near water?
.....

2 What animal rarely moves fast?
.....

3 What animal sometimes climbs trees?
.....

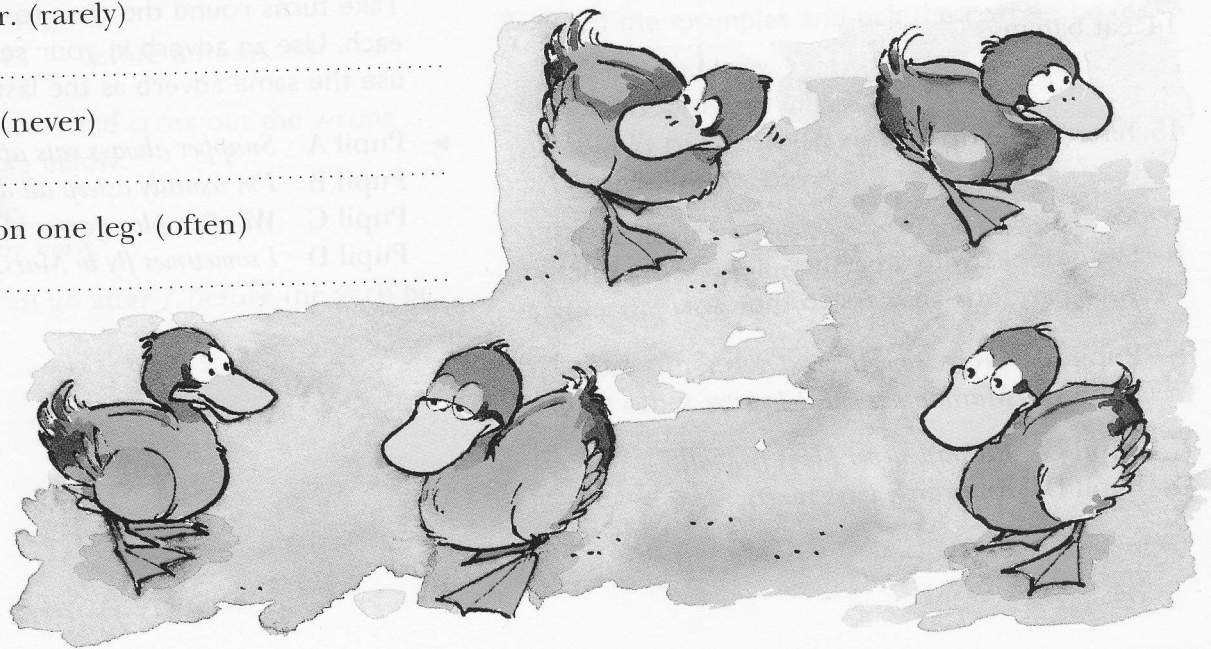
4 What animal usually jumps?
.....

5 What animal often eats grass?
.....

c Now work with two more friends. Take turns to ask and answer the questions. Have your friends got the same answers as you?

► Pupil A *What animal sometimes has red eyes?*
Pupil C *A rabbit sometimes has red eyes.*

Pupil B *What animal always has a tail?*
Pupil D *A horse always has a tail.*



8

a Write answers to the questions. Use an adverb.

How often do you ... ?

▶ shout *I never shout.*

1 tell jokes

2 play football

3 buy sweets

4 go swimming

5 go to see a doctor

6 tell the truth

7 forget to do your homework

8 read a book

9 use a telephone

10 watch television

11 stand on one leg

12 go to another country

13 speak English

14 eat bananas

15 have a nice dream

b Swap books with a partner. Take turns to read your partner's answers to the class.

- ▶ Pupil A *George sometimes shouts.*
- Pupil B *Maria often tells jokes.*
- Pupil C *Richard never plays football.*
- Pupil D *Ann rarely buys sweets.*

9 Look at the sentences below. Write new, true sentences using these adverbs: **never, always, often, sometimes.**

- It's cold in winter. ✓
- I'm friendly.
- We have a lot of homework.
- The sun is hot.
- Rabbits speak.
- Dogs bite people.
- Birds sing.
- The sky is green.
- Ice is hot.
- Tables have three legs.
- I eat eggs.

▶ *It's often cold in winter.*

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5
- 6
- 7
- 8
- 9
- 10

10 Ask your teacher if you can play this game. Take turns round the class to say a sentence each. Use an adverb in your sentence. Don't use the same adverb as the last pupil.

- ▶ Pupil A *Snapper always eats apples for breakfast.*
- Pupil B *I'm usually asleep all day.*
- Pupil C *We often play games in class.*
- Pupil D *I sometimes fly to Mars.*