

## Adjectives with special characteristics

Masquerading as adverbs <sup>1</sup>							
<i>beastly</i>	<i>early</i>	<i>goodly</i>	<i>lonely</i>	<i>pally</i>	<i>slovenly</i>	<i>thistly</i>	<i>unruly</i>
<i>brambly</i>	<i>earthly</i>	<i>gravelly</i>	<i>lovely</i>	<i>pebbly</i>	<i>smelly</i>	<i>tickly</i>	<i>unseemly</i>
<i>bubbly</i>	<i>easterly</i>	<i>grisly</i>	<i>lowly</i>	<i>portly</i>	<i>southerly</i>	<i>timely</i>	<i>unsightly</i>
<i>burly</i>	<i>elderly</i>	<i>grizzly</i>	<i>maidenly</i>	<i>prickly</i>	<i>shingly</i>	<i>treacly</i>	<i>untimely</i>
<i>chilly</i>	<i>fatherly</i>	<i>heavenly</i>	<i>manly</i>	<i>priestly</i>	<i>sickly</i>	<i>ugly</i>	<i>unworldly</i>
<i>comely</i>	<i>fiddly</i>	<i>hilly</i>	<i>mannerly</i>	<i>princely</i>	<i>silly</i>	<i>unearthly</i>	<i>weekly</i>
<i>costly</i>	<i>fortnightly</i>	<i>holy</i>	<i>masterly</i>	<i>quarterly</i>	<i>southerly</i>	<i>unfriendly</i>	<i>westerly</i>
<i>cowardly</i>	<i>friendly</i>	<i>homely</i>	<i>matronly</i>	<i>queenly</i>	<i>spindly</i>	<i>ungainly</i>	<i>wifely</i>
<i>crackly</i>	<i>frilly</i>	<i>hourly</i>	<i>measly</i>	<i>saintly</i>	<i>sprightly</i>	<i>ungentlemanly</i>	<i>wily</i>
<i>crawly</i>	<i>gangly</i>	<i>jolly</i>	<i>miserly</i>	<i>scaly</i>	<i>squally</i>	<i>ungodly</i>	<i>wobbly</i>
<i>crumbly</i>	<i>gentlemanly</i>	<i>kindly</i>	<i>monthly</i>	<i>scholarly</i>	<i>squiggly</i>	<i>unholy</i>	<i>womanly</i>
<i>cuddly</i>	<i>ghastly</i>	<i>kingly</i>	<i>motherly</i>	<i>seemly</i>	<i>stately</i>	<i>unkindly</i>	<i>woolly</i>
<i>curly</i>	<i>ghostly</i>	<i>knobbly</i>	<i>muscly</i>	<i>shapely</i>	<i>steely</i>	<i>unlikely</i>	<i>worldly</i>
<i>daily</i>	<i>giggly</i>	<i>leisurely</i>	<i>nightly</i>	<i>shaly</i>	<i>straggly</i>	<i>unlovely</i>	<i>wrinkly</i>
<i>deadly</i>	<i>girly</i>	<i>likely</i>	<i>northerly</i>	<i>shelly</i>	<i>stubbly</i>	<i>unmannerly</i>	<i>writerly</i>
<i>drizzly</i>	<i>godly</i>	<i>lively</i>	<i>oily</i>	<i>sisterly</i>	<i>surly</i>	<i>unmanly</i>	<i>yearly</i>
Used predicatively when dynamic <sup>2</sup>							
<i>agreeable</i>	<i>careful</i>	<i>embarrassed</i>	<i>good</i>	<i>jealous</i>	<i>obnoxious</i>	<i>silly</i>	<i>witty</i>
<i>angry</i>	<i>clever</i>	<i>faithful</i>	<i>grateful</i>	<i>kind</i>	<i>patient</i>	<i>suspicious</i>	<i>worried</i>
<i>awkward</i>	<i>clumsy</i>	<i>fierce</i>	<i>grumpy</i>	<i>lazy</i>	<i>proud</i>	<i>thoughtless</i>	<i>zealous</i>
<i>bewildered</i>	<i>cruel</i>	<i>foolish</i>	<i>happy</i>	<i>mysterious</i>	<i>repulsive</i>	<i>uptight</i>	
<i>brave</i>	<i>disruptive</i>	<i>friendly</i>	<i>helpful</i>	<i>nice</i>	<i>rude</i>	<i>vacuous</i>	
<i>calm</i>	<i>eager</i>	<i>gentle</i>	<i>impatient</i>	<i>obedient</i>	<i>shy</i>	<i>vain</i>	
Only predicative: the <i>a</i> -series <sup>3</sup>							
<i>abashed</i>	<i>afire</i>	<i>agape</i>	<i>aground</i>	<i>alike</i>	<i>amok</i>	<i>aslant</i>	<i>awake</i>
<i>ablaze</i>	<i>aflame</i>	<i>aghast</i>	<i>ajar</i>	<i>alive</i>	<i>apart</i>	<i>asleep</i>	<i>aware</i>
<i>abreast</i>	<i>afloat</i>	<i>aglitter</i>	<i>akin</i>	<i>alone</i>	<i>aquiver</i>	<i>astir</i>	<i>awash</i>
<i>abroad</i>	<i>afoot</i>	<i>aglow</i>	<i>alert</i>	<i>aloof</i>	<i>ashamed</i>	<i>atilt</i>	<i>awry</i>
<i>adrift</i>	<i>afraid</i>	<i>agog</i>	<i>alight</i>	<i>amiss</i>	<i>askance</i>	<i>averse</i>	<sup>4</sup> (+ rife)
Only attributive							
Emphasisers	Amplifiers	<sup>5</sup> Limiters	Noun-derived classifiers	Archaic participles	Close to adverbs <sup>6</sup>	Limited by time / place	Others
<i>certain</i>	<i>complete</i>	<i>actual</i>	<i>biological</i>	<i>cloven</i>	<i>downstairs</i>	<i>current</i>	<i>abiding</i>
<i>clear</i>	<i>entire</i>	<i>chief</i>	<i>civil</i>	<i>drunken</i>	<i>downtown</i>	<i>former</i>	<i>aforesaid</i>
<i>definite</i>	<i>outright</i>	<i>main</i>	<i>chemical</i>	<i>graven</i>	<i>in-car</i>	<i>future</i>	
<i>mere</i>	<i>perfect</i>	<i>only</i>	<i>countryside</i>	<i>shrunk</i>	<i>inhouse</i>	<i>present</i>	
<i>patent</i>	<i>pure</i>	<i>precise</i>	<i>criminal</i>	<i>stricken</i>	<i>indoor</i>	<i>previous</i>	
<i>plain</i>	<i>sheer</i>	<i>rightful</i>	<i>legal</i>	<i>sunken</i>	<i>onboard</i>	<i>eastern</i>	
<i>real</i>	<i>total</i>	<i>same</i>	<i>nuclear</i>	<i>woven</i>	<i>outdoor</i>	<i>northern</i>	
<i>true</i>	<i>utter</i>	<i>sole</i>	<i>paper</i>		<i>outside</i>	<i>southern</i>	
					<i>upstairs</i>	<i>western</i>	
					<i>uptown</i>	<i>then</i>	
						<i>urban</i>	

<sup>1</sup> The adverb formation with the *-ly* inflexion is often avoided for stylistic reasons.

<sup>2</sup> Most of these can be used statively in both positions.

<sup>3</sup> Some of this series, such as *apart* are adverbial in some analyses.

<sup>4</sup> This is not an *a*-series adjective but behaves like one.

<sup>5</sup> Downtoners such as *slight* or *trivial* may be used in both positions.

<sup>6</sup> When these are used predicatively, they are adverbial, sometimes with an additional 's' as in *out/indoors*.