Words That Add

Sort words by the detail they add.

6.5.R.2 "Students will recognize and explain the impact on meaning of parts of speech in sentences: • nouns • verb tense to signify various times, sequences, conditions..."

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADJECTIVE

An adjective adds detail to a noun, such as what kind or how many. It helps you picture the person, place, or thing more clearly.

One **striped** scarf slipped.

ADVERB

An adverb adds detail to a verb, such as how, when, or where an action happens. It helps you picture the action more clearly.

Puppies barked **loudly**.

1 SORT

8 items

For Part 1, circle ADJECTIVE or ADVERB for each bold word; for Part 2 PROVE IT, pick one item from each category and explain what each bold word describes and what detail it adds.

1.	The **bright** lantern glowed.	ADJECTIVE ADVERB
2.	Mina carried a **heavy** backpack.	ADJECTIVE ADVERB
3.	The drummer tapped **softly**.	ADJECTIVE ADVERB
4.	A **narrow** path crossed the field.	ADJECTIVE ADVERB
5.	The class cheered **today**.	ADJECTIVE ADVERB
6.	The squirrel darted **away**.	ADJECTIVE ADVERB
7.	Nico **carefully** folded the map.	ADJECTIVE ADVERB
8.	The **silver** bell rang.	ADJECTIVE ADVERB

2 PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick one item from each category and explain what each bold word describes and what detail it adds.

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

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3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

For Part 3 MAKE YOUR OWN, write one new sentence with a bold adjective describing a noun and one new sentence with a bold adverb describing a verb.

ADJECTIVE _____

ADVERB _____

CHALLENGE

Write one sentence with both a bold adjective and a bold adverb, then explain which word each describes and what detail it adds.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	The **bright** lantern glowed.	**ADJECTIVE**	Bright describes the noun lantern and tells what it looks like.
2	Mina carried a **heavy** backpack.	**ADJECTIVE**	Heavy describes the noun backpack and tells its weight.
3	The drummer tapped **softly**.	**ADVERB**	Softly describes the verb tapped and tells how the drummer tapped.
4	A **narrow** path crossed the field.	**ADJECTIVE**	Narrow describes the noun path and tells its width.
5	The class cheered **today**.	**ADVERB**	Today describes the verb cheered and tells when the class cheered.
6	The squirrel darted **away**.	**ADVERB**	Away describes the verb darted and tells where the squirrel went.
7	Nico **carefully** folded the map.	**ADVERB**	Carefully describes the verb folded and tells how Nico folded the map.
8	The **silver** bell rang.	**ADJECTIVE**	Silver describes the noun bell and tells what it is made of or what color it is.

PART 2 · PROVE IT

Task: Pick one item from each category and explain what each bold word describes and what detail it adds.
Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 · MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **ADJECTIVE**: An **ancient** bridge stretched across the river.
- **ADVERB**: Birds sang **sweetly**.

Challenge: The **tiny** robot rolled **slowly**. Tiny describes robot and tells its size; slowly describes rolled and tells its speed.

For Part 2, accept explanations that name the noun or verb each bold word describes and state the detail it adds.