

Topic: Adverbs of Place

Introduction

1) An adverb is a word or set of words that modifies verbs, adjectives, or other adverbs. Usually adverbs modify verbs, telling us how, how often, when, or where something was done.

We walked really slowly.

2) There are many kinds of adverbs. Among them there are adverbs of place. These adverbs tell us where something happens. Adverbs of place do not modify adjectives or other adverbs.

I'm going **back** to school in a month.

Adverbs of place are usually placed after the main verb or after the clause that they modify.

Come in!

Helen looked **around** trying to find a familiar face in the crowd.

Adverbs of place that end in *-where* express the idea of location without specifying a specific location or direction.

I couldn't find my cat anywhere.

Adverbs of place that end in -wards express movement in a particular direction.

Our dog likes to walk backwards.

Here and there are common adverbs of place. They give a location relative to the speaker. With verbs of movement, here means 'towards or with the speaker' and there means 'away from, or not with the speaker'.

You can hang your coat **here**. (You are standing near a hanger.)

And you can put your shoes **there**. (You are pointing at the shoes rack. You are not standing near it.)



Here and there are combined with prepositions to make many common adverbial phrases.

Could you come **over here**? What are you doing **up there**?

Here and there are placed at the beginning of the sentence in exclamations or when emphasis is needed. They are followed by the verb if the subject is a noun or by a pronoun if the subject is a pronoun.

Here comes the train! **There** it is!

Short Story Dialogue

- Mike, have you seen my phone anywhere? I can't seem to find it.
- Try looking **over there**. I think you were sitting **there** last time.
- I've already tried looking there. Maybe I left it somewhere outside when I went shopping?
 - I don't think you even took it with you. Wait, I can simply call you.

ring-ring

- There it is!



Independent Practice - Adverbs of Place

1) Fill in the gaps with the adverbs from the box.

ϵ	astwards	there	nearby	homewards	nowhere	
a. After working the whole day straight we headed b. I have to go. I lost everything.						

- c. We wanted to build a small park but we lacked the funds. d. The ship sailed
- e. Put the bags We can unpack them later.

2) Underline the appropriate word or phrase.

- a. Mary turned over/backwards and went back to sleep.
- b. There was a small lake *outside/abroad*.
- c. Is there everywhere/anywhere I can find a perfect cup of coffee?
- d. Could you come over nearby/here?
- e. Here the birthday girl comes/comes the birthday girl!



Independent Practice: Answers - Adverbs of Place

- 1) Fill in the gaps with the adverbs from the box.
- a. After working the whole day straight we headed homewards.
- b. I have **nowhere** to go. I lost everything.
- c. We wanted to build a small park **nearby** but we lacked the funds.
- d. The ship sailed eastwards.
- e. Put the bags there. We can unpack them later.
- 2) Underline the appropriate word or phrase.
- a. Mary turned *over/backwards* and went back to sleep.
- b. There was a small lake outside/abroad.
- c. Is there everywhere/anywhere I can find a perfect cup of coffee?
- d. Could you come over nearby/here?
- e. Here the birthday girl comes/comes the birthday girl!