

## Adverbs

In Persian, almost all the words which can be used as adverbs can be used as adjectives too.

I left ( <i>lit.</i> went from) there <b>slowly</b> .	آرام از آن جا رفتیم.
Hassan studies <b>well</b> .	حسن خوب درس می خواند.
Laila is Arab but she speaks Persian <b>well</b> .	لیلا عرب است اما فارسی را خوب حرف می زند.
The birds sing <b>beautifully</b> .	پرنده ها قشنگ می خوانند.

However, as in English, there are some words that are mainly used as adverbs.

<b>Finally</b> I saw her.	بالاخره او را دیدم.
Everybody went to sleep <b>late</b>	همه دیر خوابیدند.
The bus came <b>early</b> .	اتوبوس زود آمد.
<b>Suddenly</b> the doors opened.	ناگهان درها باز شدند.
My mother called me <b>again</b>	مادرم دوباره صدایم کرد.
Omid's mobile is <b>always</b> switched off.	موبایل امید همیشه خاموش است.

There are also a group of Arabic words which are normally used as adverbs (in fact, they are usually sentence adverbs). They all end with the originally Arabic "tanween" ( ة ) which is pronounced somehow similar to the "an" in the English word "man".

Probably Hossein will return to London tomorrow.	احتمالاً حسین فردا به لندن بر می‌گردد.
Farhad definitely knows the answer to the question.	فرهاد حتماً جواب سؤال را می‌داند.
I'll do ( <i>lit. write</i> ) my homework later.	تکلیفم را بعداً می‌نویسم.
This door's guard is usually asleep.	نگهبان این در معمولاً خواب است.

Additionally, here are some examples of cases where these adverbs are used to modify adjectives or other nouns.

Your answer is completely right.	جواب شما کاملاً درست است.
Last night, you slept for exactly ten hours.	دیشب دقیقاً ده ساعت خوابیدی!

An adverbial noun group can contain a preposition. The preposition "به", literally meaning "to", takes a new meaning in adverbial noun groups, showing the quality of the action of the verb.

The enemy soldier became badly injured.	سرباز دشمن به سختی مجروح شد.
The old woman sat on the ground calmly.	پیرزن به آرامی روی زمین نشست.
The goalkeeper got hold of the ball easily.	دروازه‌بان به راحتی توپ را گرفت.