

Adverbs of Frequency

Grammar worksheet · 20 sentences · A1



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Write the right form in each gap.

1. The porter _____ holds the door for us; it has happened twice in my memory. (*seldom / always*)
2. The baker _____ makes rolls with sesame, maybe twice a year at most. (*rarely / always*)
3. Our neighbor _____ borrows the ladder, no more than once a year. (*seldom / always*)
4. The shop is _____ busy at the counter, once in a while, no more than that. (*occasionally / never*)
5. My cousin _____ writes letters by hand, just a few times each summer. (*usually / occasionally*)
6. My grandfather _____ tells the same story; it goes either way. (*sometimes / never*)
7. The engine _____ starts first time; it has happened three times in a decade. (*often / rarely*)
8. She _____ checks the oven twice, at least three times a week. (*often / hardly ever*)
9. My father _____ locks the garden gate at night; that has been true for twenty years. (*always / seldom*)
10. The mail carrier _____ comes before eight, at least three times a week. (*often / hardly ever*)
11. The bus driver _____ waits for late passengers, not once in ten years. (*never / often*)
12. My brother _____ helps with the dishes, on perhaps half the days. (*sometimes / hardly ever*)
13. My father _____ listens to the morning news; it has not happened a single time. (*never / often*)
14. The porter _____ whistles on the stairs, nine times out of ten. (*usually / seldom*)
15. My uncle _____ talks about his travels, not once in ten years. (*often / never*)
16. The baker _____ wraps the loaves in paper, on perhaps half the days. (*sometimes / always*)
17. The farmer _____ mends the wire fence, perhaps once in my whole life. (*hardly ever / always*)
18. The cleaner _____ starts with the windows, most days of the week, but not all. (*usually / rarely*)
19. The librarian _____ recommends the same author, once in a while, no more than that. (*frequently / occasionally*)
20. My uncle _____ talks about his travels, about four days out of five. (*usually / never*)

Answers

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| 1. seldom | 11. never |
| 2. rarely | 12. sometimes |
| 3. seldom | 13. never |
| 4. occasionally | 14. usually |
| 5. occasionally | 15. never |
| 6. sometimes | 16. sometimes |
| 7. rarely | 17. hardly ever |
| 8. often | 18. usually |
| 9. always | 19. occasionally |
| 10. often | 20. usually |