

What to do today

IMPORTANT Parent or Carer – Read this page with your child and check that you are happy with what they have to do and any weblinks or use of internet.

1. Read and sort the Certainty Cards

- Read all of the [Certainty Cards](#).
- If you can, cut them out and sort them into those you are certain are true, those you are certain are false and those that you are not sure about. (If you can't cut them out, then label them).

2. Revise Adverbs of Certainty

- Use the [Adverbs of Certainty Revision](#) card to remind you about this type of adverb.
- Complete the activities on [Adverbs of Certainty Sentences](#).

3. Now for some writing

- Read the [Adverbs of Certainty List](#). Use some of these words to make up sentences about the [Certainty Cards](#).
- Aim to write 6-10 sentences.

When you have finished your sentence writing, share it with a grown-up and explain to them about adverbs of certainty. You definitely can do it!

Try this Fun-Time Extra

- Use the Internet to research five of the statements on the Certainty Cards. Can you find evidence that they are true or untrue? When you have found out, try testing one of the grown-ups in your family.

Certainty Cards

A coin dropped from a tall building can kill.

We only use 10% of our brains.

We lose most body heat through our heads.

If you swallow an apple pip, a tree will grow in your stomach.

The tongue has zones to detect different tastes.

Head lice only like clean hair.

You can catch a cold from being cold.

Deserts are always hot.

Falling coconuts kill more people than sharks.

Goldfish have 3 second memories.

A cockroach can live for three days without its head.

Astronauts would explode without space suits.

Elephants have good memories.

Lightning can't strike the same place twice.

You are taller in the morning than in the evening.

Your irises are as unique as your fingerprints.

A tomato is a fruit.

It is possible to shatter glass with the voice.

The Big Bang was loud.

Olympic medals are solid gold.

Adverbs of Certainty – Revision Card

Adverbs

Verbs tell you what something is doing, being or feeling.

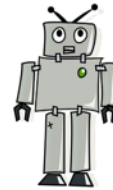
An **adverb** tells you more about a **verb**.

Some **adverbs** tell us how **certain** we are about the **verb**.

Bees **definitely die** when they sting you.

Spinach **possibly makes** you stronger.

Robots will **perhaps take** over the world one day.



Adverbs of certainty

You can order these **adverbs** by certainty.

	perhaps	probably	surely
	maybe		definitely
never	possibly		certainly



Do you agree with this order?

Word order

Adverbs of certainty usually go before the **main verb**.

Mice **definitely like** cheese.

Ostriches **certainly put** their heads in the ground.

Sometimes **adverbs of certainty** can go at the beginning of the sentence .

Maybe your face will **stay** that way if the wind changes.

Perhaps you will **find** gold at the end of the rainbow.



Word order

Adverbs of certainty usually go after **'to-be' verbs**.



The sun **is certainly** yellow.

I **am definitely** surprised.



Adverbs of certainty usually go between **main verbs** and **auxiliary verbs**.



I **have definitely heard** that before.

She **had probably read** it in a book.



Adverbs of Certainty Sentences

Read these sentences. Find and mark the verbs, then find and mark the adverbs of certainty.

Try changing the adverbs of certainty. Can you find one that will work just as well? Can you find any that change the meaning? Can you find any that sound awkward or unnatural?

Try changing the word order. Listen to the difference. How does it sound?

1. Probably most people think that there are just seven colours in the rainbow.
2. A falling coin would certainly sting your skin.
3. I was surely unlucky to keep on dropping my toast.
4. If you want to save power, you should definitely turn-off your computer.
5. Perhaps he thought that the Internet and the World Wide Web were the same thing.
6. Maybe people call the earth a sphere because it is simpler than saying oblate spheroid!

Adverbs of Certainty

certainly

plausibly

conceivably

possibly

definitely

probably

likely

really

maybe

surely

obviously

truly

perhaps

undoubtedly

potentially

unlikely

Your own sentences

Write sentences about the Certainty Cards using the adverbs of certainty. e.g. It is possibly true that Olympic medals are made of pure gold. Highlight the adverbs of certainty that you have used.



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