

THE POSITIONS OF ADVERBS OF MANNER IN NOVEL “BEAUTIFUL BOY” BY DAVID SHEFF

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Abstract

The aim of this research is to find out the positions of adverbs of manner. The source of the data is “Beautiful Boy” a novel by David Sheff. This research uses a qualitative method. The writer classifies the data concerning the positions of adverbs of manner (initial, mid and end positions). The results of the research show that adverbs of manner placed in mid position comprise 47.69% are in the first range. Adverbs of manner placed at end position comprise 43.07% are in the second range. Finally, adverbs of manner placed in initial positions comprise 9.23%.

Key words: adverbs of manner, positions of adverbs of manner, novel

Posisi Adverbs Of Manner Dalam Novel “Beautiful Boy” Karya David Sheff

Abstrak

Tujuan penelitian ini adalah untuk mengetahui posisi *adverbs of manner*. Sumber data diperoleh dari novel yang berjudul “beautiful boy” karya David Sheff. Penelitian ini menggunakan metode kualitatif. Penulis mengklasifikasikan data *adverbs of manner* pada masing-masing posisi, yaitu di awal, di tengah dan diakhir) Hasil penelitian ini menunjukkan bahwa penempatan *adverbs of manner* pada posisi ditengah menempati tingkat pertama yaitu 47.69%, sementara itu penempatan *adverb of manner* di posisi akhir berada di urutan kedua yaitu 43.07%. Kemudian urutan terakhir *adverbs of manner* dengan 9.23% adalah posisi di awal kalimat.

Kata Kunci: adverbs of manner, posisi adverbs of manner, novel

A. INTRODUCTION

English has eight parts of speech namely noun, pronoun, verb, adverb, preposition, adjective, conjunction and interjection. Then, adverb has various types, such as adverbs of manner (bravely, fast, happily, hard, quickly, well, adverbs of place (by, down, here, near, there, up) adverbs of time (now, soon, still, then, today) adverbs of frequency (always, never, occasionally, often, twice), adverbs of certainty (certainly, definitely, luckily, surely), adverbs of degree (fairly, hardly, rather, quite, too, very).

Adverbs are placed in different positions in a clause. There are three normal positions for adverbs: initial position (at the beginning of clause), mid-position and end position. The sentence “**Slowly** I realize that Nic is gone” is an example of an adverb of manner placed in initial position. ‘Slowly’ is an adverb of manner, and it is placed at the beginning of a sentence. The sentence “Nic’s friends talk **excitedly** about their summer plan together” is an example of an adverb placed in the mid position. Excitedly is an adverb of manner, and it is placed after the verb or in the mid position. The sentence “These drawings contrast **sharply**.” is an adverb of an adverb in the ‘end position’. ‘Sharply’ is an adverb of manner, and it is put after the verb or at the end of the sentence. This research focuses on the positions of adverbs of manner in “Beautiful Boy”, a novel by David Sheff.

B. DISCUSSION

Thomson and Martinet express that Form of Adverbs of Manner, they are:

1. Many adverbs of manner and some adverbs of degree are formed by adding **ly** to the corresponding adjectives:

Final, finally immediate, immediately slow, slowly Spelling notes

- a. A final **y** changes to **i**: *happy, happily*
- b. A final **e** is retained before **ly**: *extreme, extremely*.
Exceptions: true, due, whole become truly, duly, wholly.
- c. Adjectives ending in a consonant + **le** drop the **e** and add **y**: *gentle, gently simple, simply*

Note that adverb of **good** is **well**.

2. Adjectives ending in **ly**

Daily, weekly, monthly etc., **kindly** and sometimes **leisurely** can be adjectives or adverbs, but most other adjectives ending in **ly**, e.g.

Friendly, likely, lonely etc., cannot be used as adverbs and have no adverb form. To supply this deficiency we use a similar adverb or adverb phrase:

Likely (adjective) *probably* (adverb)

Friendly (adjective) *in a friendly way* (adverb phrase)

3. Some adverbs have a narrower meaning than their corresponding adjectives or differ from them.

Coldly, coolly, hotly, warmly are used mainly of feelings:

We received them coldly. (in an unfriendly way)

They denied the accusation hotly. (indignantly)

She welcome us warmly. (in a friendly way)

But **warmly dressed** = wearing warm clothes.

Coolly = **calmly/courageously** or **calmly/impudently**.

He behaved very coolly in this dangerous situation.

Presently = **soon**: he’ll be here presently.

Position of Adverbs of manner

1. Adverbs of manner come after the verb:
She danced beautifully
Or after the object when there is one:
He gave her the money reluctantly. They speak English well.
Do not put an adverb between verb and object.
2. when we have verb = preposition = object, the adverb can be either before the preposition or after the object:
He looked at me suspiciously or He looked suspiciously at me.
But if the object contains a number of words we put the adverb before the preposition:
He looked suspiciously at everyone who got off the plane.
3. Similarly with verb + object sentences the length of the object affects the position of the adverb. If the object is short, we have verb + object + adverb, as shown in no.2 above. But if the object is long we usually put the adverb before the verb:
She carefully picked up all the bits of broken glass.
He angrily denied that he had stolen the documents.
They secretly denied to leave the town.
4. Note that if an adverb is placed after a clause or a phrase, it is normally considered to modify the verb in that clause/phrase. If, therefore, we move secretly to the end of the last example above, we change the meaning:
They secretly decided . (The decision was secret.)
They decided to leave the town secretly. (The departure was to be secret.)
5. adverbs concerned with character and intelligence, foolishly, generously, kindly, stupidly etc., when placed before a verb, indicate that the action was foolish/kind/generous etc.:
I foolishly forgot my passport. He generously paid for us all.
He kindly waited for me. Would you kindly wait?
Note that we could also express such ideas by:
It was foolish of me to forget.
It was kind of him to wait.
The adverb can come after the verb or after verb + object, but the meaning then changes:
He spoke kindly = His voice and words were kind
Is not the same as it was of him to speak to us.
He paid us generously = He paid more than the usual rate is not the same as It was generous of him to pay us.
Note the difference between:
He answered the questions foolishly (His answers were foolish) and
He foolishly answered the questions. (Answering was foolish./It was foolish of him to answer at all.)

Badly and well can be used as adverbs of manner or degree. As adverbs of manner they come after verb, after the object or before the past participle in a passive verb:

He behaved badly. He read well.
He paid her badly. She speaks French well.
She was badly paid. The trip was well organized.

Badly as an adverb of degree usually comes after the object or before the verb or past participle:

The door needs a coat of paint badly/The door badly needs a coat of paint.
He was badly injured in the last match.

Well (degree) and well (manner) have the same position rules:

I'd like the steak well done.

He knows the town well.

Shake the bottle well.

The children were wrapped up.

The meaning of well may depend on its position. Note the difference between:

You know well that I can't drive (There can be no doubt in your mind about this) and

You know that I can't drive well. (I'm not a good driver.)

6. somehow, anyhow

Somehow (= in some way or other) can be placed in the front position or after a verb without or after the object:

Somehow they manage. They managed somehow.

They raised the money somehow.

According to Swan Adverbs of manner are to say how something happens or is done.

The followings are some examples of adverbs of manner *angrily, happily, fast, slowly, suddenly, well, badly, nicely, noisily, quietly, hard, and softly,*

The most frequent position is at the end of a clause, especially if the adverb is important to the meaning of the verb and cannot be left out. Adverb in - ly can go in mid- position if the adverb is not the main focus of the message.

End position

He drove off angrily. You speak English well.

She read the letter slowly.

Mid -position

She angrily tore up the letter. I slowly began to feel better again.

Mid -position is especially common with passive verbs.

Her books are always well written.

(but not ~~she always well writes her books.~~)

Comment adverbs (which give the speaker's opinion of an action) most often go in mid -position.

I stupidly forgot my keys.

While Stone states that adverbs of manner has its usual position at the end. But they are placed at the beginning of a sentence or clause for emphasis. Examples of adverbs in usual positions are:

He sat down slowly

Slowly he sat down

Adverbs of manner modifying an entire sentence are often placed before the verb.

He stupidly allowed the fire to go out.

Stupidly he allowed the fire to go out.

Verb + direct object + adverb of manner

This is the usual order with verbs taking a direct object.

He left the hotel hurriedly.

The adverb may be placed before the verb:

He hurriedly left the hotel.

It is also found at the beginning of the sentence:

Hurriedly he left the hotel.

Adverbs of manner positions in the novel "Beautiful Boy" by David Sheff are as follows:

1. **Initial position (at the beginning of clause)**

- a. **Nervously**, I placed the lion on my tongue. (2008 : 76). Nervously is an adverb of manner, and it is placed at the beginning of clause.
- b. **Thankfully** he never harmed anyone, at least as far as I know. (2008 : 86). Thankfully is an adverb of manner placed at the beginning of clause.
- c. **Normally** these contain colors and numbers and fortunes for humans (2008 : 281). Normally is an adverb of manner placed at the beginning of clause.
- d. **Slowly** I realize that Nic is gone (2008 : 93). Slowly is an adverb of manner placed at beginning of clause.
- e. **Ludicrously**, I ask some of them if they know my son (2008 : 142). Ludicrously is an adverb of manner placed at the beginning of clause.
- f. **Immediately** I am protective (2008 : 221). Immediately is an adverb of manner, it is placed at beginning of clause.

Those sentences above are using adverbs of manner (nervously, miraculously, normally, slowly, ludicrously, immediately). They are placed at the beginning of the clauses (sentences).

2. **Mid - Position**

- a. Some attorneys **successfully** mediate agreements, but many custody battles wind up in court (2008 : 22) Successfully is an adverb of manner, and it comes before the verb (mediate). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.

- b. He and Nic slink **soundlessly** on their bellies. (2008: 25). Soundlessly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (slink). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- c. I try to comprehend **exactly** what she has said. (2008 : 23). Exactly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (comprehend). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- d. He plays **regularly** in Golden Gate Park. (2008 : 25). Regularly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (plays). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- e. We **regularly** drag our old canoe down to Paapermill Creek. (2008 : 39). Regularly is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (drag). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- f. The other children **sympathetically** award her a ten. (2008 : 42). Sympathetically is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (award). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- g. He **tentatively** glances up at me (2008 : 53). Tentatively is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (glances). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- h. He **resignedly** adds. (2008 : 54). Resignedly is an adverb of manner. It comes before the verb (adds). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- i. We **quickly** change into our wetsuits. (2008 : 60). Quickly is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (change). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- j. Nic's friends talk **excitedly** about their summer plan together. (2008 : 63). Excitedly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (talk). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- k. Nic and I speak **regularly** on the telephone. (2008 : 69). Regularly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (speak). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- l. We **immediately** call and make an appointment for the next day. (2008 : 78). Immediately is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (call). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- m. He improves **rapidly** under Don's coaching. (2008 : 79). Rapidly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (improves). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- n. Don has **successfully** recruited Nic for the water-polo team, too. (2008 : 79). Successfully is an adverb of manner, it goes after auxiliary verb (has). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- o. He **poignantly** describes the effect of his years of our joint-custody arrangement. (2008 : 82). Poignantly is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (describe). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- p. He looks **fiercely** into our eyes. (2008 : 82). Fiercely is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (looks). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.

- q. He **simply** announces that Nic has an ulcer. (2008 : 83). Simply is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (announces). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- r. He stops **regularly** returning my calls (2008 : 97). Regularly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (stops). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- s. Daisy **silently** watches as their brother's listless body drifts through the living room (2008 : 127). Silently is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (watch). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- t. He **indolently** agrees to try again. (2008 : 146). Indolently is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (agrees). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- u. We **reluctantly** drive up to Novato. (2008 : 173). Reluctantly is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (drive). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- v. A mother rocks **lightly** as she speaks. (2008 : 176). Lightly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (rocks). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- w. He **enthusiastically** goes forward. (2008 : 237). Enthusiastically is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (goes). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- x. I **politely** thank him for his time. (2008 : 279). Politely is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (thank). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- y. I **carefully** remove the top most felt tray. (2008 : 291). Carefully is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (remove). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- z. He apologized **profusely** and most people forget him. (2008 : 108) Profusely is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (apologized). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- aa. He slept **soundly** last night for the first time since he arrived from LA. (2008 : 29). Soundly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (slept). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- bb. He **easily** could die from all the drugs he's using. (2008 : 127). Easily is an adverb of manner that comes before the verb (could). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- cc. We **continually** do our best to explain what is going on with Nick. (2008:163). Continually is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (do). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- dd. He listens **patiently** to the anguish in my voice. (2008:219). Patiently is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (listens). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.
- ee. London stares **intently** at the screen. (2008:135). Intently is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (stares). Its position is in the middle of the sentence.

Those sentences above are using adverbs of manner, (successfully, politely, soundly, carefully, easily, enthusiastically, lightly, silently, regularly, quickly, immediately, patiently, simply, tentatively, excitedly, exactly,). They are normally considered to modify the verb in those sentences. They can be either before and/or after the verbs or auxiliary verb. They are normally put in mid- position.

3. End Position

- a. She exhales **heavily**. (2008 : 23). Heavily is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (exhales). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- b. She responds **brilliantly**. (2008 : 30). Brilliantly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (respond). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- c. These drawings contrast **sharply**. (2008 : 57). Sharply is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (contrast). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- d. Nic seems to listen **intently**. (2008 : 59). Intently is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (listen). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- e. I look at him **suspiciously**. (2008 : 83). Suspiciously is an adverb of manner that comes after the object (him). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- f. He played his favorite song, "Shine a Light", **incessantly and loudly**. (2008 : 86). Incessantly and loudly are adverbs of manner. They come after the object (his favorite song). Their positions are at the end of the sentence.
- g. He replies **dismissively**. (2008 : 89). Dismissively is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (replies). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- h. Jasper, who is six, is the only one on of us who responds **appropriately**. (2008 : 94). Appropriately is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (responds). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- i. He says **nervously**. (2008 : 97). Nervously is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (says) Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- j. I say **shakily**. (2008 : 101). Shakily is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (say). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- k. Did I hear **correctly**? (2008 : 103). Correctly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (hear). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- l. We hug **stiffly**. (2008 : 203). Stiffly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (hug). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- m. Tweakers often behave or react **violently**. (2008 :114). Violently is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (react). Its position is at the end of the sentence.

- n. He still sleeps **soundly**. (2008 : 121). Soundly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (sleeps). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- o. He cries **hysterically**. (2008 : 127). Hysterically is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (cries). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- p. I have to find a program that will take him **immediately**. (2008 : 127). Immediately is an adverb of manner that comes after the object (him). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- q. We hug **clumsily**. (2008 : 130). Clumsily is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (hug). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- r. Karen and I listen **intently**. (2008 : 131). Intently is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (listen). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- s. His wife cries **continuously**. (2008 : 157). Continuously is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (cry). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- t. She turns toward her husband and speaks **sharply**. (2008 : 161). Sharply is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (speaks). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- u. I repeat it **silently**. (2008 : 174). Silently is an adverb of manner that comes after the object (it). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- v. He stops **briefly**. (2008 : 188). Briefly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (stops). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- w. Behavioral and cognitive therapies should be added **slowly** (2008 : 206). Slowly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (add). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- x. just take it **slowly**. (2008 : 220). Slowly is an adverb of manner that comes after the object (it). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- y. Daisy doesn't respond **directly**. (2008 : 227). Directly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (respond). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- z. I want to greet him **properly**. (2008 : 247). Properly is an adverb of manner that comes after the object (him). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- aa. He replies **quietly**. (2008 : 268). Quietly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (replies). Its position is at the end of the sentence.
- bb. He exhales **loudly**. (2008 : 270). Loudly is an adverb of manner that comes after the verb (exhales). Its position is at the end of the sentence.

Those sentences above are using adverbs of manner (slowly, directly, quietly, loudly, briefly, continuously, intently, shakily). They say how something happens or is done. They come after the verbs or after the objects. They are normally put in end position.

The percentage of adverbs of manner position in “Beautiful Boy” novel.

Adverbs of Manner Position			
	Initial	Mid	End
	6	31	28
Total	65		
Percentage	9.23%	47.69%	43.07%

C. CONCLUSION

Based on the findings, we can conclude that adverbs of manner have three positions in the sentence namely initial, mid, and end position. Adverbs in initial position, such as, ‘*Slowly I realize that Nic is gone.*’, get 9.23% While adverbs in mid position, such as, ‘*I politely thank him for his time.*’, get 47.69% . And adverbs in end position, such as, ‘*I want to greet him properly.*’, get 43.07%. It can be seen that adverbs of manner placed in mid position are in the first range. Adverbs of manner placed at end position are in the second range. The last range is adverbs of manner in initial position.

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