

■ **11.2.5 Adverbs of manner and degree** describe how or to what extent an action is carried out. This rather broad category includes most adverbs with the same form as adjectives.

**a** Adverbs of manner include:

Das hast du <b>gut</b> gemacht.	<i>You did that well.</i>
Kannst du <b>schnell</b> mal rüberkommen?	<i>Can you come over quickly, please?</i>
Sie hat <b>wunderschön</b> gesungen.	<i>She sang beautifully.</i>

**b** Adverbs of degree include:

Er ist <b>äußerst</b> schlecht gelaunt.	<i>He is in an extremely bad mood.</i>
Das hat mich <b>besonders</b> gefremt.	<i>I was particularly pleased about that.</i>
Ihr Vortrag war <b>sehr</b> beeindruckend.	<i>Your presentation was very impressive.</i>
Das ist <b>verhältnismäßig</b> einfach.	<i>That's relatively easy.</i>
Ich fühle mich jetzt <b>viel</b> besser.	<i>I am feeling much better now.</i>
Das hat <b>ziemlich</b> lange gedauert.	<i>That took rather a long time.</i>

■ **11.2.6 Adverbs of attitude** express a speaker's attitude to what is being said:

<b>Angeblich</b> hat er nur tagsüber Zeit.	<i>He claims that he only has time during the day.</i>
<b>Glücklicherweise</b> ist mein Auto nicht abgeschleppt worden.	<i>Luckily my car wasn't towed away.</i>
<b>Leider</b> kann ich morgen Abend nicht.	<i>Unfortunately I can't make tomorrow evening.</i>

Ich komme **gern** ein  
andermal.

*I'd like to come another time  
then. (meaning: if it's not  
convenient now.)*

Many adverbs of attitude are formed from an adjective + **-erweise** or end in **-lich**. Other common examples:

anscheinend	<i>apparently</i>
bedauerlicherweise	<i>regrettably</i>
dummerweise	<i>foolishly (enough)</i>
erstaunlicherweise	<i>astonishingly (enough)</i>
hoffentlich	<i>hopefully/it is hoped that</i>
komischerweise	<i>funnily (enough)</i>
meiner Meinung nach	<i>in my opinion</i>
meinetwegen	<i>as far as I'm concerned/for my sake</i>
möglicherweise	<i>possibly</i>
normalerweise	<i>normally</i>
sicher(lich)	<i>certainly</i>
vermutlich	<i>presumably</i>
wahrscheinlich	<i>probably</i>

There is also a large group of modal particles (see 16) which are frequently used in German to express the speaker's attitude but defy literal translation.