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## **13.2** Adverbs Modifying Adjectives and Adverbs

### **Key Information**

Adverbs do not modify just verbs. They also can modify adjectives and other adverbs. When adverbs modify adjectives or other adverbs, they usually come right before the word they modify.

The bird's feathers were **bright** blue.

Becoming familiar with the adverbs that often modify adjectives or other adverbs will help you recognize them in sentences. The following adverbs commonly modify adjectives and other adverbs: very, too, almost, quite, really, so, partly, extremely, rather, nearly, barely, unusually, just, somewhat, totally, and hardly.

### Directions

Study the underlined adverb in each sentence. Write the word it modifies, and tell which part of speech, *adjective* or *adverb*, the modified word is.

A male blue jay treats his mate <u>quite</u> well.

Word modified: *well* Part of Speech: *adverb* 

- Blue jays are <u>very</u> pretty birds. Word modified: \_\_\_\_\_ Part of speech: \_\_\_\_\_
   They are <u>extremely</u> clever.
- Word modified:
   Part of speech:

   3. Sometimes they are rather mean.

   Word modified:
   Part of speech:
- Jays chase <u>somewhat</u> smaller songbirds.
   Word modified: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Part of speech: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- 5. They <u>nearly</u> always finish the smaller birds' meals.Word modified: \_\_\_\_\_ Part of speech:
- 6. The blue jay's call can be <u>quite</u> loud.Word modified: \_\_\_\_\_ Part of speech:
- 7. Its nest can be built <u>somewhat</u> sloppily.
  - Word modified: \_\_\_\_\_ Part of speech:
- Blue jays' nests are <u>unusually</u> strong.
   Word modified: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Part of speech: \_\_\_\_\_\_