

Evolve 6

Session 2

Robot touch unit 1.1

The potential uses of robots in everyday life

1. What are the potential uses of robots in the future?
2. What is one thing that you would like a robot to be able to do for you everyday?
3. In what ways do you think technology will change our lives in the future?
4. Do you know any robots that is already in use?
5. What kinds of things can robots do that humans can't do?
6. What are the things that a robot can't do better than a human?

Vocabulary

High-end technology

High-tech devices

Procrastinate

Everyday

Seamlessly

interruption

Autonomous

Reinforce

Intuition

Programmable

Futuristic

Tech-savvy

Grammar

What's an adverb?

What do adverbs often end with?

An adverb is a word that modifies a verb, adjective ,
another adverb.

They usually end in ly

Adverbs of manner

Adverbs of manner explain how something is done

Commenting adverbs

These adverbs help to express an opinion better

Radically, drastically, comprehensively, dramatically, gradually, markedly

Ultimately, demonstrably, inevitably, progressively, undoubtedly, feasibly, increasingly, potentially, unquestionably

How to determine?

If it's giving more detail about the verb's execution (like quickly, gently) it's an adverb of manner

If it's providing a comment or opinion on the action or situation (like fortunately, surprisingly), it's commenting

Pay attention that adverbs are not inherently “manner” or “commenting”

It depends on the context.

Example:

Clearly, she wasn't expecting that to happen!
She explained the context clearly.

1.1 USING ADVERBS TO ADD DETAIL (PAGE 2)

A Write the appropriate adverb using the word in parentheses (). What do you think the development might be?

- 1 This is _____ (question) one of the greatest developments in public transportation in the last ten years!
- 2 It will _____ (radical) change the way we move around our cities and _____ (drastic) cut back on our consumption of fossil fuels.
- 3 It will _____ (progress) take over for all traditional modes of transportation.
- 4 People could _____ (feasible) save time and money, as well as help the environment.

B **Circle** the correct adverbs to complete the paragraph.

Introducing the new robot surgeon, the radical medical development that is ¹*drastically / gradually* being introduced in hospitals around the world. Currently, the robots are directed by a human and can only perform a limited range of operations. The hope is, however, that they will ²*increasingly / unquestionably* be able to perform all kinds of major surgery. Researchers expect robot surgeons will ³*markedly / ultimately* reduce surgical errors, possibly by as much as 25 percent. The robots will ⁴*inevitably / progressively* meet with resistance from patients, but they will soon see how effective robot surgeons can be.

Using commenting adverbs with future forms

Commenting adverbs with future forms express the speaker's opinion or attitude about the likelihood or desirability of an action or condition. They generally follow the modal *will* or the verb *be* in future expressions.

- 1 *will* + commenting adverb + (*not / never*) + verb OR commenting adverb + negative contraction (*won't, aren't, shouldn't*) + verb

They will undoubtedly become part of everyday life.

They probably won't gain a lot of support among labor unions.

- 2 future expressions

■ *be* + commenting adverb + *going to* + verb: the action is planned or intended

■ *be* + commenting adverb + *about to* + verb: the action will happen very soon

■ *be* + commenting adverb + *bound to* + verb: the action cannot be avoided

This is inevitably going to cause problems.

It is undoubtedly about to change everything we do.

They are definitely bound to be met with resistance.

A Put the commenting adverb in parentheses () in the correct position.

- 1 Robotic nurses will become a fixture in all modern hospitals. (inevitably)
- 2 They are going to take over most of the heavy lifting work from nurses. (undoubtedly)
- 3 There are bound to be a few problems as medical staff get used to working with a machine. (certainly)
- 4 They are about to change hospital practices forever. (surely)

Homework

Write a text about advantages and disadvantages of using robots in daily life using new vocabulary and adverbs.

Find the parts of speech of new words that are given in PDF and look up for the meaning