Class: IV Subject : English Adverbs

An adverb is a word that adds meaning to a verb, an adjective or another adverb.

Eg. The sun shone brightly.

Anita sang fairly well.

There are three main types of adverbs.

Adverbs of Place- These are used to show where something happens.

It answers the question 'where'

Eg.- above, behind, below, upstairs, outside, near, everywhere

Adverbs of Time- These are used to show when something happens.

It answers the question 'when'

Eg.- soon, later, yesterday, today, often, seldom, never, already, now, then

Adverbs of Manner- These are used to show how something happens.

It answers the questions 'how'

Eg.- quietly, furiously, helpfully, softly, gently, noisily.

Some adverbs look like adjective. You can tell they are adverbs if they add meaning to verbs, adjective and other adverbs. If they add meaning to a noun, they are adjectives.

Eg.- Wasim Akram is a fast bowler. (adjective)

In this sentence 'fast' is telling something more about 'bowler', which is a noun. That is why it is an adjective.