Adjectives and Adverbs: Choosing an Adjective or an Adverb

Rule
An adjective is a word used to modify a noun or a pronoun. It tells what kind, which one, how many, or how much.

An adverb is a word used to modify a verb, an adjective, or another adverb. Adverbs tell when, where, how, and to what degree.

Example
They are careful riders.
They ride their bicycles carefully.

On the line before each sentence, write adj if the word in bold type is an adjective or adv if it is an adverb.

1. adj Louisa May Alcott wrote Little Women in an attractive house in Concord, Massachusetts.

2. adv Some old houses fall apart badly.

3. adj But the Alcotts' home is in good shape.

4. adv The guide there said that many possessions of the Alcotts were preserved.

5. adj Alcott's room has the semicircular desk where she wrote Little Women.

6. adv She always wrote in a graceful hand.

7. adj The novel was an instant success.

8. adj It is about Alcott's own happy home life.

9. adv The dining room was the stage for their dramas in which Alcott always preferred the part of a boy.

10. adv Then the girls would race quickly up the stairs to change costumes.

Count 1 point for each correct answer.

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Extension
Write four sentences, one each using good, well, bad, and badly.

FYI: A few adjectives and adverbs are identical: a fast car; runs fast; a rough surface, plays rough; the first student, go first.