

## Activity Type

Reading, listening and speaking activity, pair work

## Focus

Adverbs of affirmation and negation

## Aim

To play a board game where you complete sentences with adverbs of affirmation and negation.

## Preparation

Make one copy of the game board and cards for each pair of students. Cut the cards out as indicated. Also, prepare a dice and two counters for each pair.

## Level

Intermediate (B1)

## Time

30 minutes

## Introduction

In this affirmation and negation adverbs activity, students play a board game where they complete sentences with adverbs of affirmation and negation.

## Procedure

Divide the students into pairs.

Give each pair of students a copy of the game board, a set of cards, a dice and two counters.

Ask the students to shuffle the cards and place them face down in a pile on the table.

Tell the students that they are going to play a board game where they complete sentences with adverbs of affirmation and negation.

The students put their counters on the start square.

The students take it in turns to pick up a card from the pile and read the sentences written on the card using the word 'blank' for the missing adverb of affirmation or negation.

Their partner then chooses a suitable adverb of affirmation or negation from the ones written on the game board and says the sentences back to their partner, adding in the correct adverb.

If the student guesses the correct adverb, they roll the dice and move their counter along the board.

If the student guesses the wrong adverb, they stay on the same square and don't roll the dice.

The correct answer is shown for the reader at the bottom of the card.

The first student to reach the finish wins the game.

<b>Finish</b>	<b>Start</b>			<b>Go forward 1 space</b>
	<p><b>NEVER</b></p> <p><b>SURELY</b></p> <p><i>obviously</i></p> <p><b>REALLY</b></p> <p><i>absolutely</i></p> <p><i>no longer</i></p> <p><b>PROBABLY</b></p> <p><i>exactly</i></p> <p><b>HARDLY</b></p> <p><i>not very</i></p> <p><i>definitely</i></p> <p><b>TRULY</b></p> <p><b>CERTAINLY</b></p> <p><i>barely</i></p>			
<b>Go forward 1 space</b>				<b>Go back 2 spaces</b>
<b>Go back 1 space</b>				<b>Go forward 2 spaces</b>

I will ..... be able to meet you.  
I'll confirm with you tomorrow.

(probably)

Jose is someone that I ..... admire.  
He's so brave.

(truly, really)

Ali ..... eats anything.  
No wonder he is so thin.

(hardly, barely)

He's ..... lying.  
Anyone can see that.

(obviously)

Olga ..... needed her old phone, so  
she gave it away.

(no longer)

Jean was ..... exhausted after  
staying awake for 72 hours.

(absolutely, really)

That is ..... the answer.  
I'm 100% sure!

(definitely, certainly)

They are ..... together.  
They broke up two months ago.

(no longer)

We are ..... the same age.  
We were born on the same day.

(exactly)

I have ..... any money left.  
I spent most of my wages on rent.

(hardly, barely)

Sam ..... emails anyone.  
He doesn't even have an email address.

(never)

I'm ..... hungry right now.  
I'll eat later.

(not very)

I'm ..... starving!  
What time is lunch?

(absolutely)

I wake up at ..... the same time  
every day, even if I don't set my alarm.

(exactly)

....., he didn't steal the money.  
He's such an honest man.

(surely)

Meg is ..... going to sell her house.  
She's almost sure.

(probably)

I made your tea ..... the way you  
like it, with two sugars and no milk.

(exactly)

He will ..... win the election.  
99% of the country voted for him.

(certainly, definitely, surely)



<p>I ..... believe in love at first sight, don't you? (truly, really)</p>	<p>I'm ..... taking a holiday this year. I've already booked my ticket. (definitely)</p>
<p>He ..... eats meat or dairy products. He has been vegan all his adult life. (never)</p>	<p>They are ..... twins. They're identical and they share the same birthday. (obviously)</p>
<p>I'm ..... certain it was him. I never forget a face. (absolutely)</p>	<p>....., there must be a mistake. There should be \$300 in my account. (surely)</p>
<p>I ..... go to that restaurant. Not since the chicken made me so ill. (no longer)</p>	<p>She will ..... get the job. I'm 100% sure. (definitely, certainly)</p>
<p>I'm ..... sorry. I hope I haven't upset you. (really, truly)</p>	<p>It's ..... going to rain tomorrow but I won't be sure until I hear the forecast. (probably)</p>
<p>I'm ..... at home these days. I spend 60 hours a week at the office. (hardly, barely)</p>	<p>Jim is ..... well today, so he won't be coming to class. (not very)</p>
<p>She ..... makes enough money to survive. I don't know how she manages. (hardly, barely)</p>	<p>You ..... can't smoke here. Look at all the signs. (definitely, certainly)</p>
<p>I'm ..... a waitress. I changed jobs and now I'm a chef. (no longer)</p>	<p>We have breakfast at ..... the same time each day. (exactly)</p>
<p>Jo has ..... been crying. You can tell from her red eyes. (obviously)</p>	<p>I'm ..... sure that's the answer. You should ask someone else. (not very)</p>