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2-16 RECOGNIZING ADVERBS

"When is your dental appointment?" asked Mother.

Jean replied, "3 1 8 9 7 4 10 5 11 6 12 2!"

To learn what Jean said, select the adverb from each set of three underlined words, placing the first letter of your choice in the space at the left. Then transfer the letters to the spaces above. (Remember that adverbs answer the questions "how," "when," "where," "why," "how much," and "how often.")

- _____ 1. Set the plant there on that table right in the center.
- _____ 2. Agatha called yesterday and said her dog had been located through the news-
paper ad.
- _____ 3. He wandered about for several hours on the mountain before he was found by
the searchers.
- _____ 4. I don't know how to tell her tactfully that she is not invited.
- _____ 5. I always work harder early in the day because I am tired by afternoon.
- _____ 6. A really beautiful sunset can inspire one to write poetry.
- _____ 7. The coach is often nervous just before a game.
- _____ 8. Call Alice and tell her that it is too cold and icy to go out today.
- _____ 9. She chattered on all evening and bored everyone.
- _____ 10. Come here and tell me all about your recent trip to your cousin's farm.
- _____ 11. Ultimately we will have to pull out some of those bushes because they are
becoming crowded.
- _____ 12. The front page of the daily newspaper had an article about seven people who
died tragically.

BONUS

What three kinds of words do adverbs describe? Write their names on the back of this sheet.