

**IELTS**

**ACADEMIC**

**VOCABULARY**

**WRITING**

**TASK 1**

# Adjectives & Adverbs

## Large Changes

Adjectives	Adverbs
significant	significantly
rapid	rapidly
dramatic	dramatically
considerable	considerably
sharp	sharply
sudden	suddenly
steep	steeply

## Small / Moderate Changes

Adjectives	Adverbs
slight	slightly
slow	slowly
steady	steadily
gradual	gradually
moderate	moderately
marginal	marginally

# Verbs & Nouns

## Upward Movement

Verbs	Nouns
to increase to rise to improve to grow to climb to jump to peak to go up	an increase a rise an improvement growth a climb a jump a peak

## Downward Movement

Verbs	Nouns
to decrease to fall to decline to drop to dip to go down to plummet	a decrease a fall a decline a drop a dip

# Upward & Downward ( Zig Zag ) Movement

Verbs	Nouns
to fluctuate to vary	a fluctuation a variation

# Little or No Changes

Verbs	Nouns
to remain the same to remain static to remain unchanged to stabilize to level out	a period of stability

# Collocations

Verb + Adverb	Adjective + Noun
increased significantly	a dramatic improvement
rose steeply	a sudden increase
improved considerably	a rapid rise
jumped suddenly	a steady growth
fluctuated slightly	a slight fluctuation
fell rapidly	a gradual decrease
dropped dramatically	a steep drop
dipped sharply	a sharp decline

## Other Useful Phrases

upward trend downward trend highest point lowest point	compare to in comparison with relative to second/third highest/lowest
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# Approximations

Approximate	More	Less
roughly approximately almost nearly about around exactly	more than well over just above just over a little more than a large proportion a significant majority	less than well below just below just under slightly less than a small proportion a insignificant minority

# Percentage

6% - a small proportion 23% - just under a quarter 27% - approximately a quarter 48% - almost a half 50% - exactly a half	53% - more than half 72% - slightly less than three quarters 77% - roughly three quarters 85% - well over three quarters 96% - a significant majority
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