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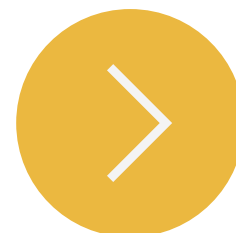
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ADVERBS

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GENERAL INFO

- Locative adverbs give information about a location.
- You ask for them with the questions “Wo?” (Where?), “Wohin?” (Where to?), “Woher?” (Where from?)



EXAMPLES: “WO?”

- „**Draußen** regnet es.“
- „**Drinnen** ist es schön warm.“
- „Papa, **da** ist Oma!“
- „**Überall** liegt Müll.“

Other adverbs answering the question “Wo?”: *rechts, links, oben, unten, drüben, hier, dort, hinten, vorn, irgendwo, innen, außen, nebenan, nirgends,...*

EXAMPLES: “WOHIN?/WOHER?”

Wohin?	Woher?	Wohin?	Woher?
nach links	von links	bergauf / bergab	
nach rechts	von rechts	rückwärts / vorwärts	
nach oben	von oben	aufwärts / abwärts	
nach unten	von unten	dorthin*	dorthier*
nach drinnen	von drinnen	rauf* / runter*	
nach draußen	von draußen	irgendwohin*	irgendwoher*

* For info about the use of "hin" / "her" and "rauf" / "runter", see the L3 Extra section.

PREPOSITION OR ADVERB

When answering the questions “Wo?”, “Wohin?”, “Woher?” you can use either a preposition + noun or an adverb.

- „**Wo** ist dein Vater?“ – "Im Keller!"
– "**Unten**!"
- „**Wohin** geht dein Vater?“ – "In den Keller!"
– "**Nach unten**!"
- „**Woher** kommt dein Vater?“ – "Aus dem Keller!"
– "**Von unten**!"

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN USING A PREPOSITION AND AN ADVERB?

- „**Wo** ist dein Vater?“ – "Im Keller!"
- „**Wo** ist dein Vater?“ – "**Unten**!"

With a preposition + noun, we explain **a specific, unchangeable location**.

"Im Keller" → nowhere else

With an adverb, we explain a non-specific, subjective place that depends on the speaker's point of view.

"**Unten**!" → It can be anywhere below, not necessarily in the basement.

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