

A pun is a word or phrase which is used to create humour because it suggests a double meaning.

In this activity, you have to think of a suitable adverb which matches a statement, because it creates a pun. Discuss the puns in the following statements:

The snail made its way sluggishly down the path.

'My pencil needs to be sharpened,' said Tom bluntly.

'I kept going to the very end,' he said finally.

Complete these sentences to make a pun by choosing the adverb from the list below. Use a dictionary to find any meanings you are unsure of.

cordially
gracefully

intently
saucily
feverishly

importantly
sheepishly
hoarsely.

sternly
fruitlessly

- 'Keep your hands up and move to the back of the boat,' ordered the pirate _____.
- 'Can I have some ketchup, please,' he asked the waitress _____.
- 'Would you like a soft drink?' he asked _____.
- 'I think I've caught the 'flu,' he said _____.
- She listened _____ as the campers complained about their living conditions.
- 'I've searched everywhere for the bananas,' she said _____.
- 'Give thanks for what we are about to eat?' he said _____.
- 'I've finished cleaning out the stables,' said the boy _____.
- The girl was embarrassed and answered their questions about her new woollen jumper _____.
- 'These items come from abroad,' he said _____.