

WORD ORDER INFORMATION

a.

always	usually	often	sometimes	rarely / seldom	
also	just	still	already	both	all

These words (**always / usually**, etc.) are usually used with the verb in the middle of a sentence:

Examples:

My sister **never talks** to me.

He's **always** tardy.

Do you **often eat** at restaurants?

I **sometimes drink** too much alcohol. (*or Sometimes I eat too much.*)

I don't want to go to the movies. I've **already** seen that flick.

I have three brothers. They're **all** married.

Part A: Where's Jessica?

Part B: She **just left**.

b. **always / never**, etc. go *before* the verb:

	VERB
ALWAYS	GO
OFTEN	PLAY
NEVER	FEEL
ETC.	ETC.

*I **always go** to work by car. (*not "I go always."*)

*Ann **often plays** tennis.

*I **sometimes feel** sad.

*They **usually have** supper at 8 o'clock.

*We **rarely watch** TV.

*Larry is a good golfer. He **also plays** tennis and hockey.

*I have two sisters. They **all live** in New Jersey.

C. but always / never, etc. go after am / is / was / were

AM	ALWAYS
IS	OFTEN
ARE	NEVER
WAS	ETC.
WERE	

*I **am never** sick. (*not* "I never am sick.")

*They **are usually** home at night.

*In the summer, it **is often** very hot and humid here.

*When I was a kid, I **was always** late for school.

*I have two brothers. They're **both** behavioral analysts.

*Part A: Where's Bill?

Part B: He's **still** in bed.

d. always / never, etc. go between two verbs (have...been / can...find, etc.)

VERB 1		VERB 2
WILL		GO
CAN		FIND
DO	ALWAYS	REMEMBER
ETC.	OFTEN	ETC.
	NEVER	
HAVE	ETC.	GONE
HAS		BEEN
		ETC.

*I **will always remember** you

*It **doesn't often rain** here.

***Do** you **usually go** home by car?

*I **can never find** the remote control.

***Have** you **ever been** to Andorra?

Part A: Where are your friends?

Part B: They've **all gone** to the play.