

slowly['sləʊli] *adv*

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slowly**slowly** [slowly] *BrE* ['sləʊli] ^ˈ *NAmE* ['sləʊli] ^ˈ *adverb*

at a slow speed; not quickly

- to move slowly
- Please could you speak more slowly?
- The boat chugged slowly along.
- He found that life moved slowly in the countryside.
- Don't rush into a decision. **Take it slowly** .
- Slowly things began to improve.

| idiom †slowly but surelyWhich Word?:**slow / slowly**

Slowly is the usual adverb from the adjective slow. Slow is sometimes used as an adverb in informal language, on road signs, etc.

It can also be used to form compounds: ▪ Slow. Major road ahead. ◇ ▪ a slow-acting drug ◇ They walk very slow. | the

comparative both slower and more slowly are used: ▪ Can you speak slower/more slowly?

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slowly *S3 W2* /'sləʊli \$ 'sləʊ-/ *BrE* ^ˈ *AmE* ^ˈ *adverb*1. at a slow speed **OPP quickly**:

- He shook his head slowly.
- 'That's true,' said Joe slowly.

2. **slowly but surely** used to emphasize that a change is happening, although it is happening slowly:

- We are slowly but surely gaining the support of the public.

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- **slowly** at a slow speed: Large white clouds drifted slowly across the sky. | The situation is slowly improving.
- **gradually** happening slowly over a period of time: I practised every day, and gradually got better. | Many of our forests are gradually disappearing.
- **little by little/bit by bit** slowly, in a series of small amounts or stages: Add the olive oil, little by little. | It's best to do the work bit by bit.
- **at a snail's pace** extremely slowly, especially when this is annoying: Traffic was moving at a snail's pace. | The project seems to be moving at a snail's pace.

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