

Kevin: Say hello to that foreigner!

Keith: Hello! How's it going?

Kevin: He didn't answer you! I thought that **Western** people were more polite.

Keith: Maybe he is shy. Sometimes shy people are too **embarrassed** to talk to strangers.

Kevin: I don't think he is shy. I think he is **arrogant**. I hate **conceited** people!

Keith: Maybe he's **in a bad mood**. Don't **judge** him so **harshly**. Sometimes you are a **moody jerk**, too.

Kevin: I guess you're right. But the next time I say hello to a foreigner, he better answer me!

Keith: What if he doesn't?

Kevin: I'll call him a jerk!



- ❖ How many foreigners do you know? What countries are they from?
- ❖ How are Western people different from people in other parts of the world?
- ❖ Are you embarrassed to speak English with foreigners?

Fill in the blanks below with words from the dialogue above.

Kristen said hello to a _____ person, but he didn't answer her, so she thought that the person was _____ and _____. "Maybe he is just in a _____," her friend said. "Don't _____ him so _____. Sometimes you are a _____, too."

***Be careful!** Some adverbs can be very confusing:

The word **hardly** means **the opposite of hard**, or "barely."

- **David hit me hard!** (It hurts a lot!)
- **David hardly hit me!** (It doesn't hurt at all.)

(Sometimes people greet each other by saying, "**Are you working hard, or hardly working?**" What do you think this means?)

The word **lately** means "**recently.**"

- **Vicky was late to school today.** (She was not early.)
- **Vicky has been tired lately.** (She has been tired recently - for a few days or weeks.)

Fill in the blanks with **hard, hardly, late, or lately.**

1. Jenna is working very _____ right now, so please don't bother her.
2. Jason is _____ working right now, so you can bother him if you want.
3. I have been taking many tests _____, so I have been studying very hard.
4. I came to class _____ because my mother drives too slowly.
5. It's _____ raining, so I think I will walk to school.
6. It's raining too _____! Can you drive me to school today?
7. I have been working late _____, so I haven't had enough time to sleep.
8. James _____ studies for his tests, so his grades are getting worse and worse.