

Common adverb and adjective collocations

(based on the British National Corpus)

bitterly	cold, disappointed, divided, hostile, humiliated, hurt, opposed, resented, resentful, upset
completely	acclimatized, alone, different, drained, empty/full, extinguished, immune, inseparable, incomprehensible, lost, negative, new, open, overlooked, revised, right/wrong, untenable
deeply	ashamed, attached, conscientious, conservative, depressed, disappointed, disturbed, divided, embedded, embittered, hurt, indebted, ingrained, in love with, involved, lamented, meaningful, moving, religious, rooted
entirely	absent, beneficial, clear, different, false, fitting, free, global, impersonal, loyal, new, obvious, serious, unconvincing, unexpected
heavily	armed, booked, built, censored, criticized, embroiled, flavoured, guarded, involved, muscled, polluted, populated, protected, publicized, regulated, represented, scented, soiled, taxed
hideously	bad, burnt, deformed, disfigured, disfiguring, effective, embarrassing, expensive, injured, lurid, mangled, scared, swollen, ugly, unhygienic
highly	commended, contagious, controversial, critical, dependent, developed, educated, enjoyable, flexible, intelligent, mobile, paid, personal, polished, political, popular, publicized, qualified, recommended, regarded, relevant, resistant, respected, significant, skilled, specialized, technical, toxic, trained, unlikely, valued, volatile
painfully	acute, aware, evocative, learned, loud, obvious, self-conscious, sensitive, shy, slow, small, sparse, thin
perfectly	arranged, balanced, capable, fitting, formed, genuine, good, healthy, normal, placed, proper, rational, reasonable, (al)right, safe, still, straightforward, understandable, valid
seriously	damaged, exposed, hit, ill, impaired, rich, threatened, undermined, wealthy
totally	abandoned, abused, alien, anaemic, decent, destroyed, different, embarrassed, harmless, homogenous, honest, impervious, inadequate, incompetent, integrated, irresistible, logical, new, normal, overpowering, stiff, surprising, unacceptable, unbelievable, undefined, unjustified, waste
utterly	abandoned, alone, appalled, careless, dejected, destroyed, devoted, different, disastrous, fearless, futile, impossible, irresistible, lacking, ruthless, tragic, unacceptable, unattainable, unquestioning, useless, wrecked