

Grammar- similar or different?

a) The writer of our story uses 'fronted adverbials' to tell the reader where, when or how something is happening.

Two examples:

Immediately, Li hurried home, wondering what on earth he should wish for.

Suddenly, he stopped pacing and grinned.

b) These fronted adverbials – immediately and suddenly – have a similar meaning: 'to do something very fast, without waiting.' 'Suddenly' also makes the reader feel as though it has been a surprise; something unexpected.

c) Sort the words below. Are they similar to the meaning of 'immediately' or are they more like 'slowly'? Write them under the word they are most similar to, or in the middle if you're not sure! I've done one for you.

Leisurely,
Suddenly,

Steadily,
Bit by bit,

Straight away,
As quick as flash,

All at once,
Gradually,



Suddenly,