BBC Learning English - Quiznet

Grammar Adverbs
For each of the six questions choose the one correct answer.

1. After attending a summer school in Brighton, José spoke English much more _______.
   a. fluently
   b. confidently
   c. accurately
   d. completely

2. I had to drive very _______ because the snow was coming down _______.
   a. slowly / heavily
   b. slow / heavy
   c. slowly / heavy
   d. slow / heavily

3. Which one is NOT correct? The whole team had to work _______ to meet the deadline.
   a. quickly
   b. quick
   c. fast
   d. hard

4. Which of the following is NOT an adverb?
   a. badly
   b. quietly
   c. friendly
   d. carefully

5. All the following are correct - but which one is only American English?
   Brian was _______ angry about losing his job.
   a. real
   b. terribly
   c. incredibly
   d. really

6. She came home crying - she had driven so _______ on her test and failed again!
   a. bad
   b. worse
   c. the worst
   d. badly
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Answers

1. After attending a summer school in Brighton, José spoke English much more _______.
   a. fluently - 'He spoke English fluently' without stopping to think of words or grammar.
   b. confidently - 'He spoke English confidently' he didn't feel nervous or shy when speaking.
   c. accurately - 'He spoke English accurately' he didn't make many mistakes.
   d. completely - 'Speak a language completely' is a not a collocation (the words don't go together). Correct

2. I had to drive very ________ because the snow was coming down ________.
   a. slowly / heavily - Drive slowly (verb + adverb) / coming down heavily (verb + adverb). Correct
   b. slow / heavy - Slow and heavy are adjectives, what are the adverbs?
   c. slowly / heavy - Slowly is an adverb, but what is the adverb made from heavy?
   d. slow / heavily - Heavily is an adverb, but what is the adverb made from slow?

3. Which one is NOT correct? The whole team had to work ________ to meet the deadline.
   a. quickly - Work quickly is a verb + regular adverb.
   b. quick - Quick is an adjective e.g. he was a quick worker. Correct
   c. fast - Fast is an adjective or adverb e.g. he was a fast worker OR he works fast.
   d. hard - Hard in irregular adverb e.g. He works very hard ('hardly' has a different meaning)

4. Which of the following is NOT an adverb?
   a. badly - This is an adverb, e.g. He did badly on the test.
   b. quietly - This is an adverb, e.g. she spoke too quietly - I couldn't hear her.
   c. friendly - This is an adjective, e.g. she was a friendly little girl - always having lots of friends. Correct
   d. carefully - This is an adverb, e.g. she addressed the envelope very carefully

5. All the following are correct - but which one is only American English?
   Brian was ________ angry about losing his job.
   a. real - In American English you can say 'real + adjective'. Correct
   b. terribly - Adverbs are also used to describe adjectives.
   c. incredibly - Adverbs are also used to describe adjectives.
   d. really - Adverbs are also used to describe adjectives.

6. She came home crying - she had driven so ________ on her test and failed again!
   a. bad - Bad is an adjective, e.g. she was a bad driver.
   b. worse - Worse is a comparative adjective, e.g. her husband was a worse driver than her.
   c. the worst - The worst is a superlative adjective, e.g. she was the worst driver in the world!
   d. badly - Badly is an adverb, e.g. She drove badly. Correct