Negative adverbials

Negative adverbials are words or phrases used to be restrictive, emphatic, or dramatic. They are used at the beginning of sentences and require one to invert the following subject and verb:

- Only then did I realise my error.
- Never before have I seen such beauty.
- Seldom do I eat fast food.

The most common mistake people make with these structures is to fail to invert the subject and verb after the negative adverbial. The following are some common negative adverbials, and how they are used in sentences:

Only
Only then, only later, only once, only by, only when, only if, only after, only now.

- Only then did I realise that I had forgotten my key.
- Only after waiting many hours did the train finally arrive.

No, Not, Never (this group includes “under no circumstances”)
Never, no longer, no sooner, never before, not only, not until, no more, in no way, on no account, no longer, at no time

- Not until I arrive shall I buy a ticket.
- Not since I was in Belgium have I had such fun.

Rarely and Seldom.
- Seldom do I make an apple tart.
- Rarely do I have the chance to read fiction.

Typical Mistakes
Failure to invert subject and verb:
- Never before I have seen such minute detail on a sculpture.
- Never before have I seen such minute detail on a sculpture.
Unit 6A

Vocabulary: Word Formation(1)
An incredible vegetable

Garlic, a member of the Liliaceae family which also includes onions, is commonly used in cooking all around the world. China is currently the largest producer of garlic, which is particularly associated with the dishes of northern Africa and southern Europe. It is native to central Asia and has long had a history as a health-giving food, used both to prevent and cure. In Ancient Egypt, workers building the pyramids were given garlic to keep them strong, while Olympic athletes in Greece ate it to increase their resistance to infection.

The forefather of antibiotic medicine, Louis Pasteur, claimed garlic was as effective as penicillin in treating infections. Modern-day science have proved that garlic can indeed kill bacteria and even some viruses, so it can be very useful for people who have coughs and colds. In , some doctors believe that garlic can reduce blood pressure .

The only disadvantage to this truly amazing food is that the strong and rather unpleasant smell of garlic is not the most pleasant!
**Vocabulary: Formation of Adjectives**

In this lesson, we will proceed in two parts. In part one, we will focus on **adjectives which can be formed from nouns**. Then in part two, we will continue and see which of the adjectives we have formed from nouns, can become adverbs as well.

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*Keep in mind:*
- Not all nouns can become adjectives, and not all adjectives can become adverbs.
- Although there are some guidelines for spelling, and spelling exceptions, there are many obscurities which don’t seem to follow any rules and need to be memorised - that is why we consider word formation a vocabulary exercise!
Task 6.1
Insert the nouns from the box below into the correct column of the suffix chart, in their correct forms. Some of the nouns can fit into more than one column:

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3. For adj.’s. ending in -e, drop it —> nature - natural
4. For adj.’s. ending in -y, drop it —> study - studious
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   For adj.’s. ending in **consonant vowel consonant**, double last consonant and add -y —> smog - smoggy
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 end       rest       point       fame       hard       number       religion       thought       achieve       count
 drink       employ       stop       respect       smell       sport       dead       cheese       big       psychology
 intellect       pain       hero       academy       fantasy       regret       mystic       ice       honour       mystery
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   MOUNTAIN

2. On the second day of their trip, they took a _______________ boat ride around the scenic lake.  
   LEISURE

3. Please don’t worry about the monkeys in the camp, they are _______________.  
   HARM

4. Patty’s natural _______________ abilities gave her an advantage over the other children when it came to swimming.  
   ATHLETE

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   FASHION

6. Henry was _______________ for cashing up the tills, checking the stock, and paying the bar staff on weekends.  
   RESPONSE

7. It is important to be _______________ when handling dangerous chemicals in the lab.  
   CARE

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   FOOL

9. Lions are extremely _______________, and will attack any members of other prides who stray into their territory immediately.  
   TERRITORY

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    FRIEND
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2. On the second day of their trip, they took a **leisurely** boat ride around the scenic lake.  
   LEISURE

3. Please don’t worry about the monkeys in the camp, they are **harmless**.  
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8. Claudia’s investment banker told her it would be **foolish** to invest in property at that point in time.  
   FOOL

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   TERRITORY

10. The **friendly** receptionist gave me some great advice on some interesting things to do during my stay in Berlin.  
    FRIEND