Adjuncts, Disjuncts & Conjuncts

Adverbs are often placed in several places in a sentence. An adverb is an adjunct if it is neatly placed within the sentence. An adverb is a disjunct if it is set off from the rest of the sentence and acts as a kind of evaluator for it. Finally, an adverb acts as a conjunct if it is set off from a sentence, usually with a comma, and serves as a connection between two ideas. Determine whether the underlined adverb in each sentence is an adjunct, disjunct or a conjunct and then circle A, D, or C respectively.

1. It is almost always this warm in Texas. A D C
2. Frankly, Martha is a bit scary. A D C
3. If she starts singing again, then I’m not staying. A D C
4. She often plays the piano alone. A D C
5. I love chocolate; however, I’m allergic to it. A D C
6. She told him the instructions repeatedly, yet he just sat there. A D C
7. His mom told him to come home before dark. A D C
8. Although he was an actor, he could sing well, too. A D C
9. She yelled his name loudly. A D C
10. Fortunately, no one was hurt. A D C

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