

The Lonely Only

Only is used as an adjective, adverb and conjunction. Its placement in a sentence can radically affect the meaning. Be careful how you use it.

For example:

Only I hit him in the nose yesterday.

I only hit him in the nose yesterday.

I hit only him in the nose yesterday.

I hit him only in the nose yesterday.

I hit him in the only nose yesterday.

I hit him in the nose only yesterday.

I hit him in the nose yesterday only.