ROOT: "diligentia" (n).
Diligently comes from the noun *diligence* which came into use in the mid-14th century to mean 'constant and earnest effort to accomplish what is undertaken'. Diligence stems from the Latin *diligentia* meaning 'attentiveness, carefulness.' Today, diligently means to do something thoroughly, well, and carefully.

Type of word: adverb

4 syllables: di-li-gent-ly

DILIGENTLY

SYNONYMS:
- Attentively
- Carefully
- Persistently
- Studiously
- Tirelessly
- Hardworking
- Relentlessly
- Assiduously
- Industriously

ANTONYMS:
- Carelessly
- Neglectfully
- Thoughtlessly
- Ignorantly
- Inattentively
- Lazily
- Shoddily
- Unscrupulously

Both sides are working **diligently** to resolve their differences.

EXAMPLES:

Thousands of students are **diligently** revising for their GCSEs.

QUOTES:

"Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardour and diligence."
Abigail Adams

"He who labours diligently need never despair; for all things are accomplished by diligence and labour."
Menander

HOW I REMEMBER THE WORD

HOW TO DO WORK DILGENTLY:

- TO DO SOMETHING DILIGENTLY IS TO SHOW CARE AND CONSCIENTIOUSNESS IN YOUR WORK OR DUTIES.
- THIS MEANS THAT YOU MUST BE DEDICATED TO YOUR WORK AND TRY TO BE THOROUGH AND PAY ATTENTION TO DETAIL.
- THEN YOU WILL BE WORKING DILIGENTLY.