Some verbs are gradable. They refer to actions that can happen more or less completely, fully etc. Gradable verbs can be modified by various degree adverbs.

We **quite enjoyed** the holidays.
I **entirely agree**.
His attitude **kind of** gets on my nerves.
I was **greatly annoyed** by the letter.
I **half believed** her story.

There are some common **degree adverb + verb** combinations. It is impossible to give complete details here. However, a few examples are given below:

*Fully understand* (NOT fully agree) (NOT fully like)
*Firmly believe* (NOT firmly like) (NOT firmly think)
*Rather like* (NOT rather understand) (NOT rather think)

**Questions**

In questions about degree we use **how much**.

How much do you want a rise?

With adjectives we use **how**.

How old is she?

Before a singular countable noun we use **how much of a**.

**How much of a** thinker is he?

**Word order**

Degree adverbs like **quite, half, kind of** and **sort of** go in mid-position with the verb.

We **quite enjoyed** the performance. (NOT We enjoyed quite the performance.) (NOT We enjoyed the performance quite.)

Longer adjectives usually go at the end.

We liked the performance **enormously**. (NOT We liked enormously the performance.)