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Fat is an (adjective / adverb).

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The word *louder* describes (how the boy yells / the boy).

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Louder is an (adjective / adverb).

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