## Just

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This word you use every day, although you just may not realize it. You might say, "I'll have just a little of that cheesecake or this coffee is just right." "Just a minute," you say. "Just because you say so doesn't mean I do it." I say, "Just talk to me. See how many times you use it."

Just as important. Just around the corner. Just be (happy, content, thankful, quiet, sure before you do anything). Just as (she looked up, he came into the room) ... Just to look. Just after ... Just a note to say thank you or hello. Just going to ... Just in case... Just born or promoted or moved here. Just in time. Just about to ... Just as well. Just do it. Just before ... Just think (before you say anything). Just say no. Just finished or started.

You have just realized that, just as I thought, this is a word you use just as easily as breathing.