1. X 一直 VP

"X has always VP-ed"
"X has VP-ed all along/throughout/the whole time"
"X has continuously VP-ed"

X 一直没(有) VP

"X never did VP"
"X hasn't VP-ed all along"

->a. 開學已經兩個多月了，張天明一直住在學生宿舍里。

It had already been more than two months since classes started, and Zhang Tianming had been living in the student dorm the whole time.

b. 住隔壁的兩個孩子從回了家到現在一直在大喊大叫。

c. 他看了一些貼在報紙上的廣告，幾個月來從沒有租到房子。

d. 烤人從來都說，"今年我們要把地毯...

e. 但他從來沒有把地毯洗過。

f. 我從不喜歡跟球場的粉絲打交道。

g. 那條走廊一直吵，許多學生睡不好。

h. 大一新生的住宿樓一直沒有空調，當我大一時也不想去住。

2. Using 得 to express manner/result

A. XV 得 S

"X V-ed such that S happened."

->a. 晚上，常常到十一、二點，還有人大聲在走廊裡打招呼或開玩笑，吵得張天明早晚都睡不好。

At night there were often still people loudly greeting each other or cracking jokes in the hallway at 11 or 12 o'clock, and it was so noisy that Zhang Tianming couldn't sleep well either morning or night.

b. 孩子哭了，母親都不好吧。

c. 他笑得如此開心，以致於一直大笑。

d. 我笑得如此開心，以致於整天都在笑。

e. 我笑得如此開心，以致於我整夜都在笑。

f. 我笑得如此開心，以致於我整夜都在笑。

g. 我笑得如此開心，以致於我整夜都在笑。

h. 我笑得如此開心，以致於我整夜都在笑。

B. XV 得 VP

"X V-ed such that s/he VP-ed."

->a. 安德森差不多每天晚上都看球，激動得大喊大叫。

Anderson watched ballgames practically every night and got so excited that he screamed and shouted loudly.

b. 他笑得如此開心，以致於他整夜都在笑。

c. 我笑得如此開心，以致於我整夜都在笑。

d. 我笑得如此開心，以致於我整夜都在笑。

e. 我笑得如此開心，以致於我整夜都在笑。
Ever since college basketball season had started last week, Anderson watched ballgames practically every night and he would get so excited that he screamed and shouted loudly.

b. Ever since he graduated, he's been practicing playing basketball.
c. Ever since we got married, I've been wanting to go to China again.
d. Ever since we moved to the stadium vicinity, it's been noisy at night.
e. Ever since that day she greeted me, I've wanted to call her up.

College basketball season wasn't over until March of next year.

b. The ad columns won't have your ad until tomorrow.
c. They won't start letting that room until next year.
d. College basketball season won't start until this April.

Zhang Tianming thought, if this kept up his studies were bound to be affected.

b. I've been greatly influenced by my mother.
c. Some people are greatly influenced by ads.
d. Everyone is greatly influenced by ads.

The effect of ads on people is enormous.
b. The influence of advisory professors' suggestions on students isn't great.
c. The influence of parents on children is enormous.
d. The effect of a child's environment on his way of thinking is profound.

a. Teachers don't have much influence on students.
b. Ads don't have much effect on people.
c. My advisory professor didn't have much influence on my choice of major.

D. X 影響 Y

"X affects/bothers Y"

a. 我在這兒吸煙影響你嗎？
b. 我們兩個在這兒說話影響你嗎？
c. 小孩子在醫院的走廊里大叫影響病人睡覺。
d. Will it bother you if I watch TV in the next room for a while?
e. Will it bother you if I call my mother here and chat for a while?

6. V+directional complement

\[\text{張天明想，這樣下去學習非受影響不可，最好搬到校外，找個安靜的地方住。} \]
Zhang Tianming thought, if this kept up his studies were bound to be affected; he'd better move off campus and find a quiet place to live.

What do the following mean?

b. 找來一張報紙

c. 把房子租出去

d. 把東西收起來

e. 說不出話來

f. 拿出一張紙來

g. 打起電話來

h. 聽起來

i. 看不出來

7. 最好 VP

"It would be best to VP"
"it's best to VP"

\[\text{... it would be best to move off campus and find a quiet place to live.}\]

b. The elevator is broken; it's best to use the stairs.
c. It's best not to eat in the dorm cafeteria.
d. It's best to find a place where the surroundings aren't bad.
e. It's best to find a place far from the basketball court.
f. It's best to live in a place close to the stadium.
g. It's best to go shopping when clothes are on sale.

8. (X)最 SV 不過了

"X is the most SV"
"nothing is more SV than X"

\[\text{it would be ideal.}\]
Living here would be ideal.

\[\text{it would be perfect (lit: the most suitable).}\]
Living here would be perfect (lit: the most suitable).

c. 這個店的家具......
d. 我的女兒......
e. 他說的中文...
f. 他寫的漢字...
g. 他們的菠菜豆腐湯...
9. 如果......(的話)                 "If....., (then) ..... 

->a. 如果你每天自己做飯的話，住在這兒最合適不過了。
   If you do your own cooking everyday, this would be the perfect place.

b. If you want to eat first, you can come earlier.
c. If you want to use the kitchen, then the rent is a wee bit higher.
d. If it includes water and electricity, then it counts as cheap.
e. If transportation is both safe and convenient, then I want it.
f. If there's a basketball court in the vicinity, then I don't want it.
g. If the room they're renting doesn't have carpet, then I don't want it.
h. If the kitchen has carpet, then it's too much trouble.

10 稍微 SV 點兒                   "a little bit (more) SV"  
"a tad (more) SV"

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Usage note: Context determines whether the connotations of SV are positive or negative.