

ADJECTIVES: -ed or -ing

✎ There are many adjectives ending with 'ed or ing' such as **interested** and **interesting**. The adjectives with 'ed or ing' are also called '**adjective pairs**'

➡ We use adjectives that end with 'ed' to describe people's feelings. It means describing the one(s) affected by the action or feeling.

Ex: I feel **tired**.

I am **bored**.

➡ We use adjectives that end with 'ing' to talk about a thing or person that makes us have a feeling. It means describing the source or cause of an action or feeling.

Ex: The film is **boring**.

• If a person is **boring**, this means that they make other people **bored**.

Ex: Josh keeps talking about the same story. He's really **boring**. (Don't use: *bored*)

🔴* **Notice:**

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| • Subject + find/ make + someone + Adj-ed. | Ex: The wet weather <u>makes</u> <u>me</u> so depressed. |
| • Subject + find + something + Adj-ing. | Ex: I <u>find</u> <u>her ideas</u> really interesting. |
| • Adjective-ing + Noun. | Ex: It was a very tiring journey. |

✎ **Fill correct adjectives into each blank. Adjectives with ending 'ed or ing'**

1. We are very _____ because we are going back to our school. (excited/ exciting)
2. I find the story very _____ (bored/ boring).
3. Most people were _____ that he won the scholarship. (surprised/ surprising)
4. His speech was very long and very _____. (bored/ boring)
5. I'm watching a very _____ cartoon at the moment. (interested/ interesting)
6. I am very _____ about talking to my parents about it. (embarrassed/ embarrassing)
7. It was _____ that he passed the exam. (surprised/ surprising)
8. It was _____ news (shocked/ shocking) and she was _____. (shocked/ shocking)
9. I've had a very _____ day on farm today and I want to go to bed early. (tired/ tiring)
10. They found the performance _____. (disappointed/ disappointing)
11. My teacher told us an _____ story. (amused/ amusing)
12. Are you _____ in playing games? (interested/ interesting)
13. The doctors were _____ after working all day. (exhausted/ exhausting)
14. When my wife got onto the roof, she felt _____. (frightened/ frightening)
15. It was an _____ situation. (embarrassed/ embarrassing)
16. Their instructions made me _____. (confused/ confusing)
17. Our children feel _____ because they have stayed at home for a long time. (bored/ boring)
18. Lying in a warm bath is _____. (relaxed/ relaxing)
19. We found the football match _____. (excited/ exciting)
20. The two-hour delay was _____. (annoyed/ annoying). All the passengers felt _____ about the delay. (annoyed/ annoying)