

1 Read the conversations and choose the correct alternatives.

- A: Hey, listen to this. According to this travel article, there's a hotel in Las Vegas where you can take a slide through an aquarium of sharks!
- B: Are you ¹*quite/bitterly* sure that's a good idea?
- A: Yeah, it sounds ²*pretty/very* amazing, doesn't it?
- B: Umm, to be ³*completely/barely* honest, I think it sounds ⁴*absolutely/nearly* terrifying.
- A: I guess we have ⁵*entirely/virtually* different tastes in what we think is fun, then!



- A: I got ⁶*somewhat/essentially* emotional at the play I saw last night.
- B: Really? What was it about?
- A: The power of friendship. It was ⁷*totally/deeply* unique, because it was performed in sign language.
- B: That must have been ⁸*completely/fairly* difficult to understand.
- A: Actually, it was fine. The actors were ⁹*seriously/totally* talented and they had subtitles on a screen, like in a film.
- B: Wow. Sounds mesmerising.
- A: Yeah, the whole thing was ¹⁰*quite/very* brilliant.



- A: You won't believe it, but the wifi in the flat is down again! I'm ¹¹*absolutely/perfectly* sick of this.
- B: Really? I was ¹²*pretty/absolutely* hopeful it would stop happening after the engineer came.
- A: It seems to happen every time I have an assignment. I'm ¹³*barely/nearly* capable of meeting the deadlines as it is.
- B: Look, what we need to do is ring the helpline.
- A: Not again! You know it's ¹⁴*virtually/very* impossible to get through at this time of day.
- B: It's worth a try though, isn't it?
- A: I'm ¹⁵*rather/essentially* sceptical myself. Feel free to try, though.



2 Work in pairs. Practise the conversations.

3 Work in pairs. Have a conversation about one of the topics below. Use adjectives with modifiers where possible.

- a place that you think is quite amazing
- something you think is absolutely ridiculous
- something you find utterly terrifying
- a film, show or book that was deeply moving
- whether you think people should be completely open about their opinions

A: *What's a place you've been that was absolutely amazing?*