

► Developing vocabulary

Adjectives ending in *-ing* and *-ed*

Choose the correct alternative. Then complete the rule.

- 1 When a film is excited/exciting, we feel excited/exciting.
- 2 When a situation is frightened/frightening, we feel frightened/frightening.
- 3 When a book is bored/boring, we feel bored/boring.

To describe how somebody feels, we use the ending.

To describe the effect that something has on your ideas and feelings, we use the ending.

VOCABULARY EXTENSION

4 Match the *-ing* adjectives (1–6) with their synonyms or explanations (a–f). Use your dictionary if necessary.

1 depressing

2 disgusting

3 exhausting

4 worrying

5 terrifying

6 amazing

a very tiring

b horrible, very bad

c very sad

d very good or surprising

e making you unhappy because you think of problems or bad things

f very frightening

5 Write the *-ed* form of the adjectives (1–6) from 4. Check your answers in your dictionary if necessary.

1 _____ 4 _____

2 _____ 5 _____

3 _____ 6 _____

6 Complete the sentences with *-ing* or *-ed* adjectives from 4 and 5.

1 Yuck! I think eating insects is _____.

2 I haven't slept for two nights. I'm _____.

3 This programme is very _____. It's all about the terrible problems in the world.

4 She hasn't studied. Now she's thinking about her exams and she's very _____ about them.

5 I'm really afraid of high places so the idea of going up that mountain is _____.

6 John was _____ when he passed the exam. He didn't study.



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