

LANGUAGE FOCUS

There are **so many** things conspiring against you **that** it's hard to nod off...

These seats are, however, in **such high demand**, **that** some airlines, especially low-cost ones, charge more for them.

We often use *so / such...that* to express a consequence.

- Use *so* + adjective or adverb, e.g. *The taxi driver drove so quickly (that) we got to the airport on time.*
- Use *so much* + uncountable noun and *so many* + plural countable noun, e.g. *There was so much traffic / There were so many buses on the road (that) we nearly missed our flight.*
- Use *such a* + adjective + single countable noun, e.g. *It was such a great hotel (that) we want to go back there.*
- Use *such* + adjective + uncountable or plural noun, e.g. *We had such terrible weather / such small rooms (that) we didn't enjoy the holiday.*

COMPLETE THE SENTENCES TO MAKE TRUE SENTENCES ABOUT YOU.

- 1- Yesterday was such a ---- day that
- 2- I have so many ---- that ...
- 3- I have so much work that
- 4- I was so ---- last night that ...
- 5- My child/children was/were ----ing so ----
that ...

Circle the correct word.

- 1 Her suitcase was so / *so much* / *such* heavy that she couldn't pick it up.
- 2 We had *so* / *such* / *such a* long delay that we missed our connecting flight.
- 3 There were *so* / *so much* / *so many* people at the airport that there weren't any trolleys left.
- 4 We flew over *so* / *such* / *such a* lovely countryside that I took some photos from the plane.
- 5 There was *so* / *so much* / *so many* rain that the road to the airport was flooded.
- 6 We were sitting in *so* / *so much* / *such* narrow seats on the plane that it was very uncomfortable.
- 7 The flight attendant spoke *so* / *so much* / *such* softly that I couldn't hear what she was saying.

Complete the sentences with *so*, *such*, *so much* / *many*, or *such a*.

- 1 My case is so heavy (that) I can hardly pick it up.
- 2 It was _____ small airport (that) there were only two flights per day.
- 3 There were _____ people at the airport (that) we couldn't see my cousin.
- 4 It was _____ awful weather (that) we couldn't leave the hotel.
- 5 I bought _____ souvenirs in Mexico (that) I had to buy another bag.
- 6 The staff at the first hotel were _____ unfriendly (that) we decided not to stay there.
- 7 The receptionist was _____ rude man (that) most people complained to the owner.
- 8 They were _____ cheap tickets (that) we decided to buy them.
- 9 I ate _____ food at the barbecue (that) I had to lie down.
- 10 The service at the restaurant was _____ good (that) I left a big tip.