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**6 MINUTE ENGLISH**

**Vocabulary**

**Antonyms**

Words that have opposite meanings. It is common to use them when we compare things

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## BEFORE YOU LISTEN

### REMEMBER!

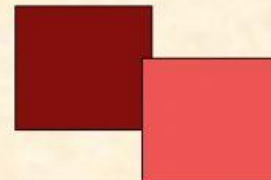
**DEGREE ADVERBS** tell us about the intensity of something and they are usually placed before the adjective or adverb that they modify,

1.- Make sure you remember what they mean. Match each one to their correct translation.

|          |             |
|----------|-------------|
| QUITE    | un poco     |
| A LITTLE | muy         |
| TOO      | demasiado   |
| A BIT    | bastante    |
| VERY     | ligeramente |



2.- Listen and match the words to the correct image.



shoe size

light red

flat shoes

dark red

try on

heeled shoes

## WHILE YOU LISTEN

3.- Here is Ruth shopping for shoes. Listen and choose the correct adjectives to complete the conversation.

**Assistant**

Here's a selection.

**Ruth**

I'll try these on first... Hmm – they're a bit \_\_\_\_\_ – too \_\_\_\_\_.

**Assistant**

OK. Try these. They're the next size up.

**Ruth**

Hmm... they're a little more \_\_\_\_\_, but they're too \_\_\_\_\_ at the back and they feel a bit \_\_\_\_\_! I've got very \_\_\_\_\_ feet.

**Assistant**

What about the flat ones?

**Ruth**

They look a bit \_\_\_\_\_.

**Assistant**

These \_\_\_\_\_ blue ones with the heels are really popular at the moment.

**Ruth**

Yes, they're quite \_\_\_\_\_, but I think I prefer the \_\_\_\_\_ blue ones... Actually, the dark blue ones are quite nice... Oh, I'm so \_\_\_\_\_!

**4.- Listen to Finn and Catherine explaining the meaning of these words. Match them to their definitions.**

|               |                                                |                                     |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| dark          | fitting* too closely, so feeling uncomfortable | *FIT- (clothes) quedar bien, servir |
| light         | large in size from side to side                |                                     |
| tight         | pale in colour                                 |                                     |
| loose         | feeling pleasant to wear                       |                                     |
| wide          | not fitting closely                            |                                     |
| narrow        | not good at making decisions easily            |                                     |
| comfortable   | small in size from side to side                |                                     |
| uncomfortable | belonging to a past age; not modern            |                                     |
| decisive      | very fashionable                               |                                     |
| indecisive    | almost black in colour                         |                                     |
| old-fashioned | good at making decisions quickly and easily    |                                     |
| trendy        |                                                |                                     |
| modern        |                                                |                                     |
| up-to-date    |                                                |                                     |
| cool          |                                                |                                     |
|               | feeling unpleasant or slightly painful to wear |                                     |

**QUIZ**

Which word is the opposite of ... ?

- 1.- TIGHT – loose narrow
- 2.- TRENDY – modern old-fashioned
- 3.- COMFORTABLE - discomfortable uncomfortable

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