

BASE Adjectives		STRONG Adjectives	
Use: really, very, incredibly		Use: absolutely, really,	
pretty		gorgeous	
ugly		hideous	
dirty		filthy	
good		marvellous, wonderful	
bad		terrible, dreadful	
happy		thrilled overjoyed	
angry		furious	
hungry		starving	
tired		exhausted	
funny		hilarious	
big		huge, enormous	
small		tiny	
interesting		fascinating	
tasty		delicious	
cold		freezing	
hot		boiling	
silly		ridiculous	
sad		devastated	

	very	really	Incredibly	absolutely
Base Adjectives	✓	✓	✓	✗
Strong Adjectives	✗	✓	✗	✓

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2. Derek invited thirty people to his birthday party, so he ordered a really big cake. It was absolutely _____.
3. When I told mum that John had asked me to marry him, she was really happy. She was absolutely _____.
4. He told me he didn't do his homework because his dog had eaten his book. That's a really silly excuse. It's absolutely _____.
5. When Peter left me for another woman, I was very sad. I felt absolutely _____ for a whole month.
6. I'm so hungry that I could eat a horse! I'm absolutely _____.
7. Jane's stories about her trips to Africa are really interesting. They're absolutely _____.
8. I've never seen a prettier baby girl in my whole life. She's absolutely _____.
9. These dumplings are really tasty! They're absolutely _____.
10. When we went inside the museum, we had to take our jumpers off because it was really hot. It was absolutely _____ in all the rooms.
11. Your homework this week is really bad. In fact, it's absolutely _____. You must do all the exercises again.
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Answers:

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