

VOCABULARY AND LISTENING

Extreme adjectives

1 Circle the correct options.

We visited New York in January. It's a ¹*stunning* / *dreadful* city, with its long straight avenues and ²*boiling* / *marvellous* buildings. The weather in the city can be extreme: the heat in summer can be ³*deafening* / *dreadful* and there can be very low temperatures in winter. It snowed while we were there, so Central Park was ⁴*deafening* / *gorgeous*



all covered in snow, but I had to buy a new hat and gloves because it was ⁵*freezing* / *boiling*! We took the subway to Wall Street – the noise of the trains was ⁶*deafening* / *enormous*, but it was ⁷*stunning* / *fascinating* to see so many people from all around the world living together in this ⁸*enormous* / *dreadful* city.

2 Complete the sentences with the adjectives from Exercise 1.

- 1 Can I borrow your gloves? My hands are *freezing* .
- 2 Turn down that music! It's _____.
- 3 I couldn't watch the end of that horror film. It was _____.
- 4 Mrs Griffin's a very interesting teacher and her history classes are _____.
- 5 I didn't realise the London Eye was really this big! It's _____!
- 6 When we were in Turkey in July it was _____ – 39°C!!
- 7 Paul had a _____ holiday – he went to Sweden and Norway and he had a great time.
- 8 Ana's brother is a fashion model – he's totally _____!
- 9 The view from the top of the mountain was absolutely _____.

3 Complete the sentences so they are true for you.

- 1 When it's boiling in summer, I _____.
- 2 When it's freezing in winter, I _____.
- 3 The most terrifying experience I've ever had was when I _____.
- 4 You can get a stunning view of my town / city if you go to _____.
- 5 A fascinating fact that I know is _____.

A virtual reality tour



4 Listen to a virtual tour of the Eiffel Tower. Match the numbers (1–5) with what they refer to (a–e). (See the *Learn to learn* tip in the Student's Book, p62.)

1 1889	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c	a pieces
2 1887	<input type="checkbox"/>	b visitors
3 300	<input type="checkbox"/>	c year of the World Fair
4 18,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	d height in metres
5 7 million	<input type="checkbox"/>	e year building was begun

5 Listen again. Answer the questions with two to four words.

- 1 What is the first image in the tour?
The original drawing
- 2 How long after the French Revolution did they build the Eiffel Tower?
- 3 What were the professions of the men who helped Gustave Eiffel?
- 4 Where were the pieces of the tower produced?
- 5 When it was finished, what did the Parisians call the Eiffel Tower?

6 Look up some facts about the Eiffel Tower. Write three things you found out about it.