

▶ 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