

The Minister's Black Veil

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**PART 2:
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1 Comprehension check

Look at the statements below. Decide if each statement is correct or incorrect. If it is correct, mark A. If it is not correct, mark B.

A B

- 1 Everyone talked about the black veil, but not to Reverend Hooper.
- 2 The whole congregation went to Reverend Hooper's house to discuss the veil with him.
- 3 The people asked Reverend Hooper why he wore the veil, but he didn't tell them the reason.
- 4 Only one person in the village asked Reverend Hooper the reason why he wore the veil.
- 5 Reverend Hooper could only take off the veil when he was alone.
- 6 Elizabeth was unhappy because people were saying bad things about Reverend Hooper.
- 7 Elizabeth didn't accept the veil, so Reverend Hooper told her to leave.
- 8 Reverend Hooper understood that he could only be happy alone.

'You don't know how lonely and frightened I am!'

Some adjectives seem very similar, but they must be used in different situations. Adjectives which end in **-ed**, like **excited**, **bored**, **confused**, **frightened**, **surprised**, **interested**, describe the emotion that someone feels. Adjectives which end in **-ing**, like **exciting**, **boring**, **confusing**, **frightening**, **surprising**, **interesting** describe the thing or situation which causes the emotion.

Look at these examples:

The film was boring.

I was bored when I watched the film.

If you say 'I was boring,' it means that you caused other people to feel bored, not that you felt bored yourself.

Adjectives in **-ed** and **-ing**

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of an adjective. You can choose any adjective you wish. There is an example at the beginning (0).

- 0 It was a boring sermon. I felt bored listening to it.
- 1 This is a/an book. I felt reading it.
- 2 He's a/an person. I feel when I'm with him.
- 3 This game is very I feel when I play it.
- 4 That city is I feel when I'm there.
- 5 That news is really I felt so when I heard it.