

ADJECTIVES WITH – ed AND –ing

Rewrite these sentences using -ed/-ing or other endings. Make necessary changes.

1. The coincidence amazed us. We _____ by the coincidence.
2. The journey tired us. The journey _____.
3. Gloria enchanted me. Gloria _____.
4. The children really tired us. The children _____.
5. The children delighted us. We _____ with the children.
6. The new building impressed everybody. Everybody _____ with the new building.
7. We were terribly bored with the long explanation. The long explanation _____.
8. It was such a depressing story. They _____ with the story.

Choose the correct alternative to complete the sentences below.

- a. Did you see that documentary about political corruption last night? It was a really **interested / interesting** programme - I was quite **shocked / shocking**.
- b. The Prime Minister said he was very **pleased / pleasing** with the country's economic progress, although there are some **worried / worrying** signs that there may be difficult times ahead.
- c. There was a very **excited / exciting** basketball game on TV last night, but I was a bit **surprised / surprising** that my team lost.
- d. I know that people are always **fascinated / fascinating** by celebrities' private lives, but I do think some of the personal questions they ask on chat shows can be a bit **embarrassed / embarrassing**.
- e. The instructions for this DVD player are so **confused / confusing**, it's so **frustrated / frustrating** trying to follow them.
- f. I was a bit **annoyed / annoying** that I forgot to record that Julia Roberts film last night, although the review in the paper said it was very **disappointed / disappointing**.
- g. I was really **frightened / frightening** by that ghost story you told us last weekend.

Use the verbs in the box to form adjectives with –ED and –ING. Then, complete the sentences with appropriate adjectives.

BORE	CONFUSE	EMBARRASS	EXCITE	FASCINATE
INTEREST		SURPRISE	TERRIFY	WORRY

1. I was _____ by a programme I saw about the history of chocolate.
I saw a _____ programme about the history of chocolate.
2. Climate change is very _____, I think.
I'm very _____ about climate change.
3. We thought the football match was _____.
We were _____ by the football match.
4. Everyone thought it was _____ that Andy failed his university course.
Everyone was _____ when Andy failed his university course.
5. I felt _____ when I accepted the prize because I didn't know what to say.
Accepting the prize was _____ because I didn't know what to say.
6. Visiting New York was _____.
I felt _____ when I visited New York.
7. I'm _____ in books about other cultures because they teach us a lot.
I think books about other cultures are _____ because they teach us a lot.
8. People were _____ by the film!
People thought it was a _____ film!
9. The instructions for the DVD player are _____.
I'm _____ by the instructions for the DVD player.