

SO / SUCH in exclamations

SO + Adjective/Adverb

SUCH (a/n) (+ Adjective) + Noun

USE: *So* and *Such* can be combined with adjectives, adverbs and nouns to show extremes or extreme actions.

- The music is **so loud!** I wish they would turn it down.
- She spoke **so quickly!** She sounded like an auctioneer.
- She shouldn't have given him **such advice.** It was a mistake.
- I didn't enjoy the book. It was **such a stupid story!**

Use with THAT: The above forms can be combined with "that" to show extremes or extreme actions which lead to certain results. "That" is usually optional.

- The book was **so good (that)** I couldn't put it down.
- She spoke **so quickly (that)** I couldn't understand her.
- Don has **such a big house (that)** I actually got lost on the way to the bathroom.
- They are **such generous people (that)** they let me use their car whenever I need it.

SO + Many/Few + Plural Noun

SO + Much/Little + Uncountable Noun

- I never knew you had **so many brothers!**
- She has **so few friends (that)** she rarely gets out of the house.
- Jake earns **so much money!** And he still has trouble paying the rent.
- They have **so little food (that)** they are starving to death.

PRACTICE

A. Put in *so*, *such* or *such a*.

1. He's difficult to understand because he speaks _____ quickly!
2. I like Tom and Ann. They're _____ nice people.
3. It was a great holiday. We had _____ good time.
4. I was surprised that he looked _____ well after his recent illness.
5. Everything is _____ expensive these days, isn't it?
6. The weather is lovely, isn't it? I didn't expect it to be _____ nice day.
7. I have to go. I didn't realise it was _____ late.
8. The party wasn't successful. I didn't expect to find _____ few people.
9. I couldn't believe the news. It was _____ shock.
10. They've got _____ much money, they don't know what to do with it.

B. Make one sentence from two by using *so/such (a/n)...that*.

1. She worked hard. She made herself ill. _____
2. It was a gorgeous day. We decided to go to the beach.

3. I was tired. I couldn't keep my eyes open. _____
4. We had a great time on holiday. We didn't want to come home.

5. It was awful weather. We spent the whole day indoors.

6. I've got a lot of things to do. I don't know where to begin.

7. Your own sentence: _____