

# ADJECTIVES: -ed or -ing

✎ There are many adjectives ending with 'ed or ing' such as **interested** and **interesting**. The adjectives with 'ed or ing' are also called '**adjective pairs**'

➡ We use adjectives that end with 'ed' to describe people's feelings. It means describing the one(s) affected by the action or feeling.

Ex: I feel **tired**.

I am **bored**.

➡ We use adjectives that end with 'ing' to talk about a thing or person that makes us have a feeling. It means describing the source or cause of an action or feeling.

Ex: The film is **boring**.

• If a person is **boring**, this means that they make other people **bored**.

Ex: Josh keeps talking about the same story. He's really **boring**. (Don't use: *bored*)

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| • <b>Subject + find/ make + someone + Adj-ed.</b> | Ex: The wet weather <u>makes</u> <u>me</u> so depressed. |
| • <b>Subject + find + something + Adj-ing.</b>    | Ex: I <u>find</u> <u>her ideas</u> really interesting.   |
| • <b>Adjective-ing + Noun.</b>                    | Ex: It was a very <b>tiring</b> journey.                 |

✎ **Fill correct adjectives into each blank. Adjectives with ending 'ed or ing'**

1. We are very \_\_\_\_\_ because we are going back to our school. (excited/ exciting)
2. I find the story very \_\_\_\_\_ (bored/ boring).
3. Most people were \_\_\_\_\_ that he won the scholarship. (surprised/ surprising)
4. His speech was very long and very \_\_\_\_\_. (bored/ boring)
5. I'm watching a very \_\_\_\_\_ cartoon at the moment. (interested/ interesting)
6. I am very \_\_\_\_\_ about talking to my parents about it. (embarrassed/ embarrassing)
7. It was \_\_\_\_\_ that he passed the exam. (surprised/ surprising)
8. It was \_\_\_\_\_ news (shocked/ shocking) and she was \_\_\_\_\_. (shocked/ shocking)
9. I've had a very \_\_\_\_\_ day on farm today and I want to go to bed early. (tired/ tiring)
10. They found the performance \_\_\_\_\_. (disappointed/ disappointing)
11. My teacher told us an \_\_\_\_\_ story. (amused/ amusing)
12. Are you \_\_\_\_\_ in playing games? (interested/ interesting)
13. The doctors were \_\_\_\_\_ after working all day. (exhausted/ exhausting)
14. When my wife got onto the roof, she felt \_\_\_\_\_. (frightened/ frightening)
15. It was an \_\_\_\_\_ situation. (embarrassed/ embarrassing)
16. Their instructions made me \_\_\_\_\_. (confused/ confusing)
17. Our children feel \_\_\_\_\_ because they have stayed at home for a long time. (bored/ boring)
18. Lying in a warm bath is \_\_\_\_\_. (relaxed/ relaxing)
19. We found the football match \_\_\_\_\_. (excited/ exciting)
20. The two-hour delay was \_\_\_\_\_. (annoyed/ annoying). All the passengers felt \_\_\_\_\_ about the delay. (annoyed/ annoying)