

ED/ ING ADJECTIVES

What's the Difference? -ed vs. -ing

▶ use to describe how people feel

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bored	interested	excited
confused	surprised	frustrated



This lesson is difficult. I am confused!
Ken had nothing to do. He was very bored.

▶ use to describe something that causes an emotion

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boring	interesting	exciting
confusing	surprising	frustrating



This lecture is very confusing. I don't understand!
The movie was interesting. I want to watch it again.

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Choose the right option.

1. I found the talk on butterflies pretty **boring / bored**. I nearly fell asleep!
2. I'm really **confusing / confused** about what to do - can you help me make a decision?
3. Toni failed her driving test again - she was so **disappointing / disappointed**.
4. Wow! That film was **amazing / amazed!** It was better than I thought it would be.
5. Do you find science **interesting / interested?**
6. I'm so **exciting / excited** - we're going on holiday on Saturday!



Fill in with the suitable form of the adjective given.

1. Is the book you are reading very _____ (INTEREST)
2. The new James Bond film is really _____ (THRILL)
3. We were both _____ that she hadn't heard the news (SURPRISE).
4. The images of the war were very _____ (DEPRESS)
5. Can you tell me where that _____ noise comes from? (ANNOY)
6. They were _____ the weather wasn't good yesterday. (DISAPPOINT)

