

Unit 3 News Stories

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Check the meanings of the adjectives in the box below. Look at the headlines and pictures A and B. Write each adjective into the appropriate column under each picture, together with its meaning.

tragic

weird

bizarre

heartbreaking

surprising

distressing

terrible

intriguing

Powerful earthquake kills thousands of people in Nepal



Man bites crocodile on nose in Australia



1. *tragic (sad)*

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

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1 Listen to the interview with Jack about news stories. Write short answers to the questions (not more than **THREE** words).

1. How does Jack get news?

2. What does he like about newspaper headlines?

3. What kind of news stories does he enjoy most?

4. What doesn't he like reading about?



2 Read the information about adjectives, and the pairs of adjectives in the box below. Then complete activities **A** and **B** in the box underneath.

Adjectives ending in **-ed** describe how we feel about someone or something.

Adjectives ending in **-ing** describe someone or something that has an effect on us.

interested/interesting

excited/exciting

disappointed/disappointing

shocked/shocking

amused/amusing

surprised/surprising

A Circle the correct adjective in each of the following sentences. The first one has been done for you.

1. I am not very interested/interesting in the lives of celebrities.
2. I watched an **amused/amusing** film on TV last night. It was so funny that I couldn't stop laughing.
3. Maha has some **excited/exciting** plans for the future.
4. Ali was very **disappointed/disappointing** that his team lost the match.
5. Those statistics about traffic congestion are very **shocked/shocking**.
6. I was **surprised/surprising** to see Fatma in class today. I thought she had gone to Dubai.

B With a partner, think of similar pairs of adjectives. Make a list in your exercise book. Then write pairs of sentences to show the differences between the adjectives.