21 Listen and repeat. Then act out.

Exclamations

Exclamations are words and phrases used to express surprise, shock, etc. They take an exclamation mark (!). Some exclamations are: *Good heavens! Goodness! Oh dear! Ah! Really! Good grief!* etc.
Good heavens! *You've cut yourself!*

We also use: *what (a/an)*, *how*, *such*, *so* or a negative question to make a comment or exclamation.
What *a fast runner!* ***How*** *fast he runs! He is* ***such*** *a fast runner! He runs* ***so*** *fast!* ***Doesn't he*** *run fast!* ***Wouldn't*** *it be fantastic!*

Exclamations are introduced by *what* or *how* as follows:

- ***what a(n)*** **+ adjective + singular countable noun** ***What a boring*** *film!*
- ***what*** **+ adjective + uncountable / plural noun** ***What horrible*** *weather!* ***What beautiful*** *roses!*
- ***how*** **+ adjective / adverb** ***How clever*** *he is!* ***How quickly*** *he speaks!*

18 Fill in: *What ...*, *What a(n)*, ... or *How ...* .

1 .....What..... noisy children they are!
2 ..... great idea!
3 ..... strange his story was!
4 ..... interesting life he's led!
5 ..... delicious food!
6 ..... kind he is to everyone!
7 ..... terrible news!
8 ..... boring book this is!

19 Fill in: *what (a/an)*, *how*, *such (a/an)* or *so*.

1 A: Henry's ....such a.... clever student.
B: I agree. He always gets A's and hardly ever studies.

2 A: Wasn't it great to celebrate half-term in Hawaii!
B: Absolutely! ..... unforgettable experience!

3 A: My parents just bought me a new car for my birthday!
B: ..... wonderful! You must be ..... thrilled!

4 A: ..... delicious smell!
B: Yes, my mum is ..... amazing cook!

5 A: ..... terrific designs! The new architect is ..... talented!
B: Yes, he has ..... great future ahead of him.

6 A: Let's organise a party for Tim's graduation.
B: ..... excellent idea! He'll be ..... excited.

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8 Clauses

20 Look at the pictures and use the adjectives / adverbs in the list to complete the exclamations.

• ~~exciting~~ • cute • amazing • tall • tasty • crowded • colourful • beautifully

1 It is ..such an.... .exciting. game!

2 .... spaghetti!

3 .... building!

4 .... she sings!

5 They are ....!

6 Look .... the train is!

7 The peacock's tail is .....!

8 Isn't it .... car!

21 Fill in the missing words in the letter below.

Dear Julie,

I'm writing to thank you and your parents for letting me stay at your house in London. I had 1) .....such..... an amazing time in England. You can't believe 2) ..... welcome you made me feel!

I really enjoyed our visit to Buckingham Palace. 3) ..... an amazing building! The ballroom and other areas of the palace were 4) ..... beautifully decorated! And our visit to the London Eye was 5) ..... a great way to see the city. I still can't believe 6) ..... lovely the place is!

Thank you once again for your kindness and hospitality. Your parents are 7) ..... nice people! I hope you can visit me here in Spain. It would be 8) ..... great to see you again!

Yours,
Carmen

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