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GRAMMAR WORKSHEET

PARTICIPLES: '-ED' vs. '-ING'

What is a participle?

A participle is a word formed from a verb which can be used as an adjective.

PAST PARTICIPLES* <i>examples</i>	PRESENT PARTICIPLES* <i>examples</i>
bored "I was bored at the movie theater." surprised "I was surprised when I heard the news."	boring "The movie was boring." surprising "The news was very surprising."

***Note:** '-ed' adjectives often describe people's feelings: "I feel **bored**." A boring movie, however, will make you feel bored.

- Choose the correct participle adjective form in each of the sentences below.

- I don't understand chess. The rules are very **confused** / **confusing**.
- He was **embarrassed** / **embarrassing** when he arrived late for class.
- There is a new movie playing at the theater. Are you **interested** / **interesting**?
- My little brother makes too much noise. He is **annoyed** / **annoying**.
- I like my new chair. It's quite **relaxed** / **relaxing**.
- Moving to a new home is hard work. It's **tired** / **tiring**.
- The sad news made me **depressed** / **depressing**.
- Louise got a B+. She was **satisfied** / **satisfying** with her test results.
- Our company isn't making any money. It's very **worried** / **worrying**.
- Robert thinks that roller coasters are **terrified** / **terrifying**.
- I think that insects are **fascinated** / **fascinating**. I love to study them!
- When the TV program was cancelled, Kelly was **disappointed** / **disappointing**.

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