

Adjectives ending in *-ed* and *-ing* by Véronique Ward

1. a. In pairs, think of three adjectives that describe how the people in the images are feeling.



- b. With your partner, list as many adjectives as you can that describe how someone is feeling. What do all of these adjectives have in common?
- c. With a different partner, think of three adjectives that describe the situations in the images below. What do all of these adjectives have in common?



2. Look at the examples in exercise 1 again. Complete the rules with *-ed* or *-ing*.

- a. Adjectives ending in describe the emotion that someone feels.
- b. Adjectives ending in describe an emotional situation.
3. Look at the following adjectives to describe emotions and feelings and organise them into positive or negative adjectives.

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| excited | relaxed |
| amused | worried |
| surprised | terrified |
| disgusted | relieved |
| fascinated | bored |

Positive	Negative

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4. a. Match the adjectives from exercise 3 to their definitions.

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| 1. excited | a. feeling bad because you are thinking about problems |
| 2. amused | b. the feeling you get when something unexpected happens |
| 3. surprised | c. extremely frightened |
| 4. disgusted | d. feeling good after a bad situation has ended |
| 5. fascinated | e. when you are not interested or have nothing to do |
| 6. relaxed | f. very happy because something good is going to happen |
| 7. worried | g. a feeling towards something that tastes, looks or smells unpleasant |
| 8. terrified | h. feeling that something is funny |
| 9. relieved | i. calm and not worried about anything |
| 10. bored | j. very, very interested in something |

b. In the spaces given, write the *-ing* form of each of the adjectives above. Pay particular attention to the spelling.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

5. a. Choose the correct option in each of the following sentences.

1. He was so *excited* / *relieved* when he finally found his car after looking for hours.
2. I hate slugs! I find them *disgusting* / *worrying*.
3. The work she has to do is very *surprising* / *boring*. It's the same every single day!
4. That horror film was *fascinating* / *terrifying*! I never want to think about it again!
5. I've just got a new job that pays double my last one! I'm so *amused* / *excited*!

b. Complete the gaps with the correct form of the adjectives from exercise 4.

1. I'm totally _____ by seahorses. They're such unusual creatures!
2. It's important to do as much as possible to protect the environment. Climate change is a _____ problem.

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3. After such a stressful time at work, he needs a _____ holiday.
 4. Nobody else thought that joke was funny, but I was quite _____.
 5. I was a little _____ that she didn't accept her place at university; she'd been talking about going for so long.
6. a. Complete the sentences below with your personal information and four of the adjectives you have studied in this lesson.

The last time I felt _____
was ...

The movies that I find _____
are ...

The most _____ kind of
holiday would be ...

What my family thinks is really
_____ is ...

- b. In pairs, tell each other what you wrote and find two ways your opinions are the same and two ways they are different.