

ARE YOU BORED OR BORING?



Someone is **BORED** if something is **BORING**.

- **ED** adjectives tell us how somebody feels. They are for people.
- **ING** adjectives tell us about a person or a thing, not about feelings.

EXAMPLES: *This book is **interesting**.
I'm **interested** in buying that book.*

1. Underline the correct option:

- a) Hannah feels a bit **bored/boring** today. She's reading a novel, but it's not really **interested/interesting**. A friend recommended her to read that novel. However, she finds it quite **disappointed/disappointing**. When Hannah told her friend she was not enjoying the book, she was **shocked/shocking**.
- b) Last Friday morning, Hannah was very **excited/exciting**. She was offered a promotion in her job. She felt **surprised/surprising** about it, because she didn't expect it. With her new position, she also has more responsibilities, and she's starting to feel **exhausted/exhausting**.
- c) Yesterday, Hannah had to visit a client from the Law firm she works for. The directions were quite **confused/confusing** and she got lost. For that reason, she arrived half an hour late to her appointment and she felt very **embarrassed/embarrassing**. The client was **annoyed/annoying**, but he accepted her apologies.
- d) Hannah spent the weekend with her sister and her niece, Annie, who is a really **amused/amusing** two-year-old girl. They went to the amusement park, which was really **excited/exciting** for Annie. This was the most **relaxed/relaxing** moment of the week. Hannah loves spending time with her family!

2. Now complete with a suitable adjective from the list. Do not repeat!:

**bored/boring astonished/astonishing disgusted/disgusting depressed/depressing amazed/amazing
embarrassed/embarrassing interested/interesting surprised/surprising confused/confusing**

1. The instructions to build the model were quite _____. We had to ask for my father's help.
2. John lived a very _____ situation when he realised he had a big stain on his shirt.
3. You look _____. Don't you have anything to do?
4. Anne is learning English very fast. Her progress is _____.
5. The film wasn't as _____ as we expected. Our friends had told us it was great.
6. We were really _____ when Tom passed the exam. He hadn't studied much.
7. Dana felt quite _____ when her little dog was put to sleep. She cried for days.
8. The new ride in the amusement park is really _____. I had never seen anything like that! Awesome!
9. The meat we had at the restaurant was absolutely _____! We'll never come back there!
10. I usually feel _____ when I have to speak in public. I'm very shy.
11. The film was quite _____. It told the sad story of a very poor family.
12. Gabriel is very _____ in politics. He knows a lot about the subject.
13. You looked really _____ when we gave you your birthday present. You didn't expect it, did you?
14. I always get _____ when I drive in the city centre. All the streets look the same! I get lost easily.
15. I was really _____ when I was offered the job. It was a great opportunity.