



Jill is bored. She has a very boring job.



Children can be very annoying. Mr. Brown is annoyed.



Mary is very frightened. It's a frightening film.

1 The commonest *-ing* adjectives are:

amusing interesting worrying annoying shocking disappointing
boring surprising exciting terrifying frightening tiring

If something interests you, you can describe it as *interesting*. If something frightens you, you can describe it as *frightening*, and so on.

I got some interesting news this morning. There was a frightening film on tv last night.

There was a shocking story in the newspaper this morning. I'm going to bed early. I've had a tiring day.

2 The commonest *-ed* adjectives are:

annoyed finished tired bored frightened worried closed interested
broken delighted pleased disappointed excited surprised

If something annoys you, you can say you feel *annoyed*. If something interests you, you can say you feel *interested* and so on.

If you break something it is *broken*. If you finish something it is *finished*.

Usually these *-ed* words come after part of the verb *be* or a few other verbs like *feel*, *look*, *seem* and *sound*.



The wolf looked delighted to see Little Red Riding Hood.



'I think it's broken.'

A Use -ing words to say what you think of these things:

- 1 Horror films *frightening* _____ 2 Computer games _____
 3 English lessons _____ 4 Football _____
 5 Small children _____ 6 Road accidents _____
 7 Jogging _____ 8 Pop music _____

B Use -ed words to say how you would feel if these things happened:

- 1 If you were driving a car and you were stopped by the police _____
 2 If you got an unexpected parcel in the post _____
 3 If you heard that you had won a lot of money in a competition _____
 4 If you broke your leg and were in hospital for three weeks _____
 5 If you woke up in the night and heard burglars in the house _____

C Complete these sentences using the correct form of the verb in brackets. Use the -ed form in one sentence in each pair and the -ing form in the other:

- 1 a Annette was *bored*. She had nothing to do. (bore)
 b She had a book to read but it was very *boring*.
 2 a I enjoyed our visit to the museum. It was really _____. (interest)
 b I like swimming but I'm not _____ in jogging.
 3 a I didn't enjoy the film very much. The dinosaurs were too _____. (terrify)
 b The whole house was on fire. We were all _____.
 4 a There are far too many accidents on the roads. It's very _____. (worry)
 b I thought we were lost. I was really _____.
 5 a My brother always laughs at me. He's very _____. (annoy)
 b He wasted a lot of money. His father was extremely _____.
 6 a We were all _____ to hear that the president had been killed. (shock)
 b I don't feel at all well. I've got a _____ cold.
 7 a The first half was good but the second half wasn't very _____. (excite)
 b We were all very _____ when we heard the news.
 8 a I knew what would happen. It wasn't at all _____. (surprise)
 b I was _____ to hear that Anna had failed her exam.
 9 a It was _____ that there weren't more people at the concert. (disappoint)
 b There weren't many people at the theatre. The actors were very _____.
 10 a He told a few funny stories but they weren't very _____. (amuse)
 b I don't think that's very funny. I am not _____.