ADJECTIVES -ed // -ing

Adjectives finished in **-ed** are used to describe feelings and emotions. They have a passive meaning, referring to someone or something receiving a certain action.

Adjectives finished in **-ing** are used for things and situations. They have an active meaning, describing someone or something performing a certain action.

I have just bought a singing parrot. It is so **fascinating**. I am **fascinated** by my parrot.

Music **interests** me a lot. I am **interested** in music. Music is **interesting** to me.

Read the following sentences and choose the best adjective to complete the blanks:

- 1. What an ... situation! Are they always having a fight about every little thing?
- a. annoyed
- b. annoying
- 2. I was extremely ... to see that the baby knew how to handle a spoon.
- a. amused
- b. amusing
- 3. I am, I have stayed indoors for many days, let's go out and see a film.
- a. bored
- b. boring
- 4. The book was so ... that I didn't have any patience and finished it last night.
- a. captivated
- **b.** captivating
- 5. You are ... because you haven't been explained what had really happened there.
- a. confused
- b. confusing
- 6. I am more than ..., I am extremely worried, why aren't they calling us?
- a. concerned
- **b.** concerning
- 7. It is ..., how can he possibly eat snakes?
- a. disgusted
- **b.** disgusting
- 8. Seeing them there was too ... for me, I should have listened to your advice.
- a. depressed
- **b.** depressing
- 9. All the children were ... to go to the Village Museum last Sunday.
- a. excited
- b. exciting
- 10. Romania is a ... country, have you ever visited it? You will certainly love it.
- a. fascinated
- b. fascinating

- 11. Your last remark was very ..., John, you know you are wrong, aren't you?
- a. insulted
- **b.** insulting
- 12. Sarah was ... in painting when she was 15.
- a. interested
- **b.** interesting
- 13. The teacher seemed ... when the principle interrupted him yesterday.
- a. irritated
- **b.** irritating
- 14. Listen to this song, don't you think it is ...? It belongs to Claude Barzotti.
- a. relaxed
- b. relaxing
- 15. My parents have always been ... with my results at school.
- a. satisfied
- **b.** satisfying
- 16. The girl was ... when her brother tore away the head of her favourite doll.
- a. shocked
- **b.** shocking
- 17. I am ... you managed to come, you said you were busy when I called.
- a. surprised
- **b.** surprising
- 18. It is ... to see how many people are killed in car accidents every day.
- a. terrified
- **b.** terrifying
- 19. You must be ... , Joanna, have you ever met a VIP before?
- a. thrilled
- **b.** thrilling
- 20. I had a very ... day last Monday, going shopping and looking for the best wedding dress.
- a. tired
- b. tiring