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Feelings & Reactions: Bored vs Boring

Medium | B1 | Intermediate | Adjective | Comparative and superlative | Infinitive | Participle | Preposition | Collocations

1. Complete this whispered gossip between two coworkers at an office party.

"I tried talking to the new manager, but he only talks about his stamp collection. He is such a _____ person! I was so _____ that I had to fake a phone call to escape."

Select one.

A) boring / bored
B) bored / boring
C) boring / boring
D) bored / bored

2. Help the frustrated office worker complain to his colleague about their repetitive job. Select ALL the sentences that correctly and naturally use the adjectives.

Select all that apply.

A) Are you getting bored with this repetitive task?
B) It is boring to do the exact same thing every single day.
C) Are you getting boring with this repetitive task?
D) It is bored to do the exact same thing every single day.

3. Help Alex complete this dramatic text message to his best friend about a disastrous first date. Select the best word for each gap.

"Please call me with a fake emergency! I am so _____ right now. My date thought it would be fun to take me on a three-hour museum tour, and the guide is incredibly _____. I'm getting really tired _____ hearing about 18th-century spoons. Save me!"

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1
A) boring
B) bored
C) bore

Blank 2
A) boring
B) bored
C) bores

Blank 3
A) with
B) of
C) about

4. Complete the comedian's joke about a terrible evening out. Select ALL the options that grammatically and logically complete the story.

"My blind date talked about his collection of plain white socks for two solid hours! Needless to say, _____"

Select all that apply.

A) he was incredibly boring to listen to.
B) I was completely bored by his stories.
C) he was incredibly bored to listen to.
D) I was completely boring by his stories.

5. Help Marcus complete his funny review of a movie night by dragging the correct words into the blanks.

My roommate thought the documentary about competitive ironing was incredibly _____, but I found the whole topic rather _____. I was so _____ from a long day at work anyway that I quickly fell asleep on the couch. She was pretty _____ when my loud snoring ruined the grand finale!

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** fascinating
- **B)** fascinated
- **C)** fascinates

Blank 2

- **A)** boring
- **B)** bored
- **C)** bore

Blank 3

- **A)** exhausted
- **B)** exhausting
- **C)** exhausts

Blank 4

- **A)** annoyed
- **B)** annoying
- **C)** annoys

6. Help the film critic finish their harsh review by choosing the correct words.

"I expected epic battles and witty dialogue, but the three-hour film was incredibly _____, and by the end, the entire audience was completely _____."

Select one.

- **A)** boring / bored
- **B)** bored / boring
- **C)** boring / boring
- **D)** bored / bored

7. Complete Sarah's whispered complaints to her classmate during a particularly long science lecture. Choose the correct option for each blank.

"Is it just me, or is this lecture completely _____? I'm so _____ by these charts on the board. I was actually really interested _____ biology before today, but now I'm just trying to stay awake!"

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** exhausting
- **B)** exhausted
- **C)** exhausts

Blank 2

- **A)** confusing
- **B)** confused
- **C)** confuses

Blank 3

- **A)** on
- **B)** at
- **C)** in

8. Help the travel blogger complete her review of a surprisingly spooky hotel stay by dragging the correct words into the blanks.

The winding drive up to the isolated castle was quite _____ in the pitch black. When we finally arrived, we were so _____ to see a warm fire in the lobby. However, the host's bizarre rules about never looking into the antique mirrors were very _____. I went to bed feeling somewhat _____, jumping at every tiny creak in the floorboards.

Choose the correct option for each gap.

Blank 1

- **A)** terrifying
- **B)** terrified
- **C)** terrifies

Blank 2

- **A)** relieved
- **B)** relieving
- **C)** relieves

Blank 3

- **A)** confusing
- **B)** confused
- **C)** confuses

Blank 4

- **A)** frightened
- **B)** frightening
- **C)** frightens

9. Help the sleepy film critic finalize her review. Select ALL the sentences that are grammatically correct and use the adjectives properly.

Select all that apply.

- **A)** I was so bored that I almost fell asleep in the theater.
- **B)** The three-hour documentary was incredibly boring.
- **C)** I was so boring that I almost fell asleep in the theater.
- **D)** The three-hour documentary was incredibly bored.

10. Read the text message from a friend who just quit their summer job and select the correct option to fill in the blanks.

"I finally quit! I was completely _____ the endless paperwork. It was the most _____ job I've ever had."

Select one.

- **A)** bored with / boring
- **B)** boring of / bored
- **C)** bored on / boring
- **D)** boring with / bored