

**Introduce yourself.** Tell where you are from and where you live now. Tell how long you have lived here.

**Practice speaking:**

1-Is this the only English class you attend? At what age did you begin to learn English? Do your children speak English better than you?

2-If you could speak to a student from your country who has lived in the U.S. for over a year, what would you ask them? What advice would you give to someone who is thinking of moving here?

3-Did you come to the U.S. because your spouse came here to study or work? Why did you come to the U.S.? How long do you plan to stay in the U.S.?

**GRAMMAR:** The present participle form of the verb is the “ing” form. It is used in present continuous and past continuous sentences. EX: She is drinking a Coke. They were staying with Mother.

Make a sentence using present continuous tense.

The past participle form of the verb is used in present perfect and past perfect tenses. EX: We have drunk all the Coke. They have stayed in many different hotels. She had seen a doctor about her foot. We had been to Italy before.

Sometimes present participles (ing form) can be used as adjectives. Read the examples below. It was a boring book. She was an interesting teacher. It was a frightening experience. It was a confusing question. That is surprising news.

These participial adjectives can cause problems for students of English. Which word should I use: confused or confusing.

Examples: This lesson is confusing. In this sentence, confusing is an adjective describing the lesson. The teacher has confused the students. In this sentence, has confused is present perfect tense. Confused is acting as a verb, not an adjective.

Wrong: I am confusing about this lesson. Right: I am confused about this lesson.

Wrong: I am boring by this movie. Right: I am bored by this movie.

**Choose the correct word in these sentences.**

**boring or bored:**

The professor was so \_\_\_\_\_. I slept through all his lectures.

I think Algebra is a \_\_\_\_\_ subject.

**alarming or alarmed:**

We were \_\_\_\_\_ by the loud siren. The siren was really loud. It was an \_\_\_\_\_ sound.

**amusing or amused:**

He told an \_\_\_\_\_ story.

The teacher was not \_\_\_\_\_ when I put a tack on her chair.

**confusing or confused:**

I am \_\_\_\_\_ about which word I should use. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ problem.

**depressing or depressed:**

This rainy weather is \_\_\_\_\_. I feel \_\_\_\_\_ about the rainy weather.

**exciting or excited:**

May was \_\_\_\_\_ about riding the roller coaster. The roller coaster was an \_\_\_\_\_ ride.

**embarrassing or embarrassed:**

I was \_\_\_\_\_ when the teacher called on me. It is \_\_\_\_\_ when I can't answer the question.

**exhausting or exhausted:**

I hate cleaning my house. It is \_\_\_\_\_. I was \_\_\_\_\_ after cleaning all day

**frightening or frightened:**

I am \_\_\_\_\_ of bees. That was a \_\_\_\_\_ film.

**frustrating or frustrated:**

Mathematics can be \_\_\_\_\_. Sal has \_\_\_\_\_ his little sister by hiding her doll. He won't tell her where he hid it.

**interesting or interested:**

Dan is \_\_\_\_\_ in animals. There are many \_\_\_\_\_ animals in the zoo.

**DISCUSSION**

1. What is something that confuses you?
2. Does rainy weather depress you? How do you feel about rainy weather. What things depress you?
3. Talk about something that you are interested in.

4. When do you get frustrated?
5. What are some things you are frightened of?
6. Talk about a time when you were embarrassed.
7. What is the most exciting thing you have ever done?
8. Describe a relaxing vacation you would like to go on.
9. I would be surprised if my spouse...
10. The most disgusting thing I have ever eaten is...