

Extreme Adjectives

Teacher's Notes

Description: Is her dress just ugly, or is it **hideous**? Is the room cold, or is it **freezing**? Are you hungry, or are you absolutely **starving**? When it comes to adding emphasis to our speech, nothing quite beats an Extreme Adjective. For though one can generally get by with ordinary adjectives, these wonderful words, take our descriptions to a whole new level. The exercises in this activity sheet enable students to practise Extreme Adjectives in a fun and personalized way, both alone and in pairs.

Aim: To practise Extreme Adjectives through a series of written and communicative exercises.

Procedure: Give each student a copy of the two-page activity sheet

Exercise A: Students begin by matching the beginnings of the sentences with the correct endings, underlining the Extreme Adjective in each sentence.

answer key:

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| 1. i, soaked | 2. j, furious | 3. h, hideous | 4. a, starving | 5. d, spotless |
| 6. b, packed | 7. c, exorbitant | 8. f, terrifying | 9. e, filthy | 10. g, ancient |

Exercise B: Next, students write the Extreme Adjectives from Exercise A next to their definitions.

answer key:

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| 1. hideous | 2. soaked | 3. ancient | 4. starving | 5. exorbitant |
| 6. filthy | 7. spotless | 8. furious | 9. packed | 10. terrifying |

Exercise C: Students then match the more common Extreme Adjectives with their meanings.

answer key:

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| 1. b | 2. d | 3. e | 4. c | 5. a | 6. g | 7. f |
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Exercise D: After this, students complete the sentences using Extreme Adjectives from the previous page, plus one of the words provided.

answer key:

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| 1. chocolate, filthy | 6. church, ancient |
| 2. baby, tiny | 7. conditioner, boiling |
| 3. mop, spotless | 8. house, huge |
| 4. packed, seat | 9. fight, soaked |
| 5. gorgeous, admirers | 10. dinner, starving |

Exercise E: Lastly, students complete the conversation questions using Extreme Adjectives. Once they've done this, they ask them to a partner.

answer key:

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| 1. terrifying | 2. exhausted | 3. furious | 4. starving | 5. hideous |
| 6. hilarious | 7. exorbitant | 8. freezing | 9. delighted | 10. boiling |