

彻底弄清-ed 形容词和-ing 形容词的区别

很多同学觉得这个问题很简单,认为描述人时就用-ed 结尾的形容词,描述事物时就用-ing 结尾的形容词,其实这样不完全正确。

这类形容词是由动词转化而来的,我们先来看两个动词的例子:

The news **surprised** Tom. ①

这消息**使**汤姆**惊讶**。

His ideas **interest** me. ②

他的想法**使**我**感兴趣**。

分析:

句①中的动词 surprise 是“**使.....惊奇**”的意思

句②中的动词 interest 是“**使.....感兴趣**”的意思

两句的动词都是表示心理状态的,而且都是使动,上面两处的省略号部分通常是人,作动词的宾语,也就是动作的承受者(被动)。而动词的主语一般是物,它使人产生感受,是动作的发出者(主动)。

因此句①可以用相应的形容词转换为:

①a. Tom was surprised. (Tom 是感受到的,被动,用-ed 形容词)

①b. The news was surprising. (news 使某人惊讶,news 为主动,用-ing 形容词)

类似地,句②可以用相应的形容词转换为:

②a. I am interested in his ideas.

②b. His ideas are interesting.

最后,我们可以这么总结:

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这两种由动词转化而来的形容词的根本区别在于是主动还是被动, -ing 形容词表示主动(使人产生感受), 意思为: 令人.....的, -ed 形容词表示被动(心理状态是 sth.给的), 意思为: 感到.....的

常见的加 ed 和 ing 构成形容词的此类动词有: bore, interest, surprise, excite, tire, amaze, embarrass, amuse, scare, frighten, confuse, puzzle, disappoint, annoy, shock, satisfy, terrify, relax 等等。

练习:

- (1) She is an _____(amuse) girl.
- (2) It is a _____(bore) speech.
- (3) He was a very clever, _____(interest) man.
- (4) The children were _____(tire) after the trip.
- (5) The _____(frighten) horse began to run.
- (6) The _____(excite) people were listening to an _____(excite) speech.
- (7) My cat is _____(frighten) because of the storm.
- (8) He was _____(worry) about his _____(worry) son.
- (9) She found her job very _____(bore).
- (10) She was almost as _____(bore) as George.

答案:

- (1) amusing

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(2) boring

(3) interesting

(4) tired

(5) frightened

(6) excited, exciting

(7) frightened

(8) worried, worrying

(9) boring

(10) boring