MINI-LESSON 26: PARTICIPIAL ADJECTIVES (-ED VS. -ING)

🔷 What Are Participial Adjectives?

Participial adjectives are formed from **verbs** and usually end in **-ed** or **-ing**. They describe feelings or things that cause feelings.

Ending	Use for...	Example
-ed	How someone **feels**	I'm **bored**. (I feel bored.)
-ing	What **causes** the feeling	This movie is **boring**.

📌 **More Examples:**

- She was **interested** in the story.

- The story was **interesting**.

- He felt **confused**.

- The instructions were **confusing**.

- They were **annoyed**.

- The neighbors were very **annoying**.

- The children were **amused**.

- The clown was **amusing**;

✏️ Practice Exercises

✅ A. Choose the correct adjective (-ed or -ing).

1. I was really (embarrassed / embarrassing) when I forgot her name.

2. This puzzle is (confused / confusing).

3. She looked (bored / boring) during the meeting.

4. The book was so (interested / interesting) that I finished it in one day.

5. We were (shocked / shocking) by the news.

6. That joke was (amused / amusing).

✅ B. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the word in parentheses.

1. That movie was really _____. (excite)

2. He is _____ with the results. (disappoint)

3. This class is so _____! (bore)

4. I'm _____ about the trip. (worry)

5. The speech was _____ to everyone. (inspire)

6. She felt _____ after the long day. (exhaust)

✅ C. Write your own sentence using the correct form.

1. (surprise)
   ➜ _____

2. (interest)
   ➜ _____

3. (tire)
   ➜ _____

4. (annoy)
   ➜ _____

5. (amaze)
   ➜ _____

6. (confuse)
   ➜ _____

✅ Answer Key

A. Choose the correct adjective

1. embarrassed
2. confusing
3. bored
4. interesting
5. shocked
6. amusing

B. Complete the sentences

1. exciting
2. disappointed
3. boring
4. worried
5. inspiring
6. exhausted

C. Example Sentences (answers may vary)

1. I was surprised by how easy the test was.
2. This documentary is very interesting.
3. He felt tired after running five miles.
4. That noise is annoying.
5. The magic trick was amazing!
6. I'm confused about the instructions.