

Language Focus

1. frightening
2. frightened

I'm frightened about meeting her now.



Going into hospital is frightening for me.



She's frightened of walking home alone in the dark.

Conversation

- A: Have you met our new Manager? She's frightening.
B: Really? I'm supposed to give these documents to her.
A: She left strict instructions not to be disturbed.
B: I'm frightened about meeting her now.

Language Focus

1. convincing
2. convinced

She sounded convincing to the clients.



She gave a convincing demonstration of the product's new features.



I am convinced that he is innocent.

Conversation

- A: Did you appoint Ms. Sullivan as the head of the Sales Representative?
B: Yes. I see potential in her. She has already closed a deal with one of the big companies we contracted last month. She sounded convincing to the clients.
A: I agree with you.
B: And I think the CEO is also convinced that she can do the job well.

Language Focus

1. challenging
2. challenged

I find it challenging.



I am challenged to earn more money.



Teaching is a challenging career.

Conversation

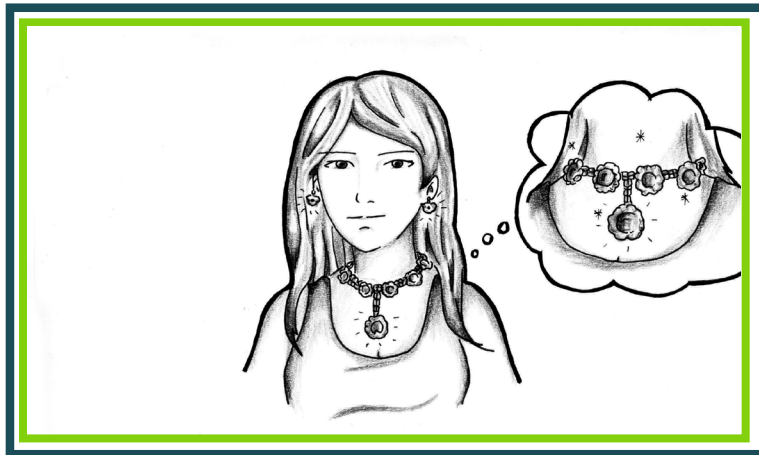
- A: I like our new office mate. She looks strict and dignified.
B: Don't you think she can be a threat to your promotion?
A: I don't see it that way. In fact, I find it challenging.
B: Well, I like to be challenged.

Language Focus

1. fascinating

2. fascinated

The place was really fascinating.



Her jewelry is fascinating.



He was fascinated by her charm.

Conversation

- A: I went out-of-town last weekend. It was fun! The place was really fascinating!
B: Wow, so you recommend going to that place? My two cousins are arriving from Canada next week.
A: Sure. They will be fascinated by the view.
B: I'll give them a ring tonight. I'll surely tell them about the place.

Language Focus

1. annoying

2. annoyed

The process was really annoying.



It's annoying to hear all his complaints.



I am annoyed to find myself going red when I'm embarrassed.

Conversation

A: Did you go to the voting center yesterday?

B: No, I was too busy. Why?

A: They introduced the use of a new machine for the election. The process was really annoying.

B: Yes, I saw that on the news last night. Some of the voters looked annoyed.

Language Focus

1. exhausted

2. exhausting

I feel exhausted after working long hours.



Hot weather makes me exhausted.



Baby-sitting can be exhausting.

Conversation

A: How's work Darren?

B: I feel exhausted after working long hours. How about you?

A: My colleague at work never stops talking. I find her exhausting.

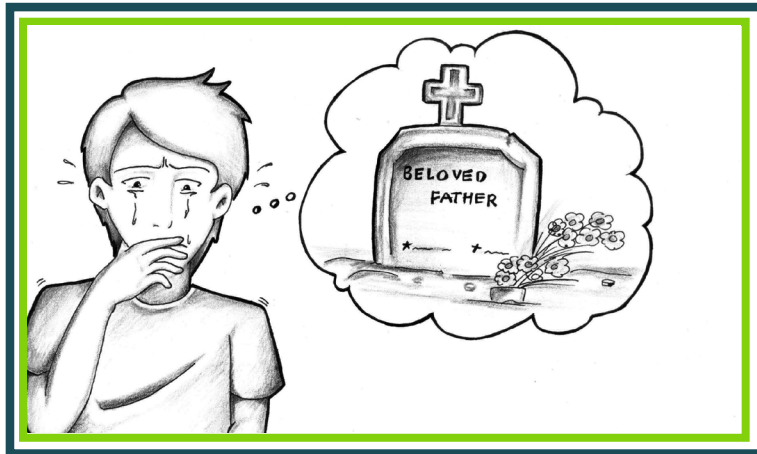
B: You've got to learn how to deal with your colleagues at work.

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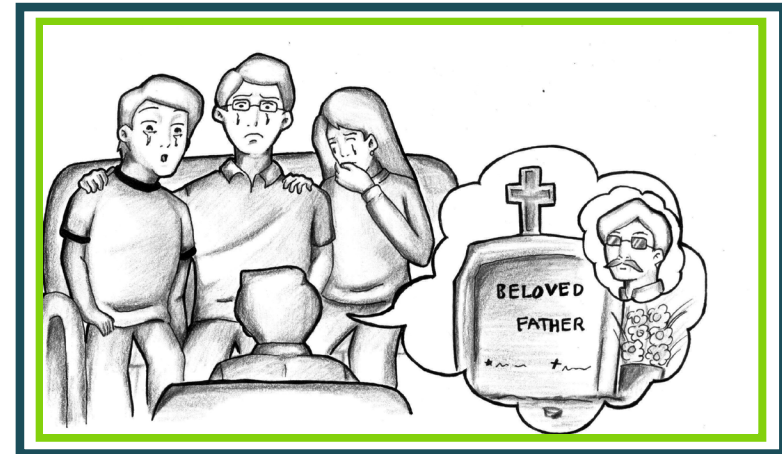
1. devastated

2. devastating

I was absolutely devastated to see lots of houses destroyed by the typhoon.



The news that his father was dead was devastating.



His family was devastated after they heard the news.

Conversation

A: Did you see the news? It was horrible.

B: Yes and I agree. I was absolutely devastated to see lots of houses destroyed by the typhoon.

A: The cars piled up like files on a desk.

B: Yeah. Just the sight alone was devastating.

Language Focus

1. depressed

2. depressing

I just heard some very depressing news.



She felt very depressed about the future.



Looking for a job these days can be very depressing.

Conversation

A: What's wrong Jimmy?

B: I just heard some very depressing news. I'm going to lose my job. I feel terrible!

A: Cheer up! Don't feel so depressed. There are plenty of other jobs.

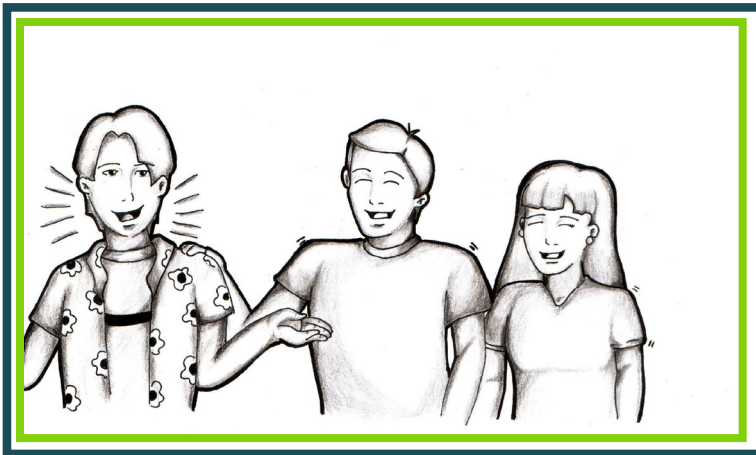
B: I know but I want this job so bad.

Language Focus

1. amused

2. amusing

Do you want to hear an amusing story?



We were all amused at his stories.



The letters that she writes are very amusing.

Conversation

- A: Do you want to hear an amusing story? It will make you laugh.
B: Go on then, make sure I'm amused!
A: If you find it amusing, what's in return?
B: Well, it'll be a nice dinner treat.

Language Focus

1. disappointed 2. disappointing

I was disappointed with the performance of the English team.



I was disappointed with the taste of wine.



His performance at school was disappointing.

Conversation

- A: I was disappointed with the performance of the English team. They played much worse than I expected.
B: I know, I think their coaches also found it disappointing.
A: I thought they were supposed to be good.
B: Yes, I supposed they were complacent about winning.