

**Reviews vocabulary make me say yes
with extreme adjectives, synonyms and antonyms**

Ask a Yes/ No question using at least one word below. If your partner says “Yes”, you can cross off that word and get one point, but if they say something else (“No”, “I don’t know”, etc), you don’t get a point and the word can be used again. Words on the same line don’t always have exactly the same meaning, so choose one word (not one line) each time.

Suggested yes/ no questions to ask with reviews vocabulary

- Did you find...?
- Do you generally find...?
- Do you think it is fair to say that...?
- Have you ever found that...?
- In your experience,...
- Is... more.../ ...er than..., do you think?
- Would ... be ... enough for..., in your opinion? – Would ... be too ... for...?
- Would you agree that...?
- Would you describe... as...?
- Would you rank ... as the most.../ the ...est ... (...)?
- Would you rate ... as...?
- Would you say that...?
- Would... find... to be..., do you think?

Possible topics of reviews

- place (attraction/ sightseeing spot, café, restaurant, shop, etc)
- arts and media (book, exhibition, magazine, album, concert/ gig, film/ movie, TV programme, etc)
- service
- technology (e.g. app)
- thing (product, dish, etc)

- ambience/ atmosphere
- appearance (décor, etc)
- contents/ materials
- cost/ value for money
- design
- dimensions/ measurements (weight, size, etc)
- effect on people/ society
- experience
- quality
- range
- style
- suitability (for particular people)
- taste
- texture
- use(s)
- comparisons to other things

Ask about any topics above, words below, etc that you are not sure how to use.

- absolutely/ totally/ completely/ utterly – slightly/ a little/ a bit/ a tiny bit
- accessible/ convenient/ close/ near – inaccessible/ inconvenient/ far
- addictive/ moreish
- amazing/ brilliant/ fantastic/ outstanding/ superb/ terrific – awful/ dreadful/ terrible
- amusing/ funny/ hilarious – unfunny
- annoying/ irritating/ infuriating – calming/ relaxing
- attractive/ beautiful/ gorgeous/ pretty/ stunning – hideous/ ugly/ unattractive
- bland/ boring/ dull/ tedious – interesting/ fascinating/ intriguing
- cheerful/ uplifting – depressing
- comforting/ cosy/ welcoming
- compact/ pocket-sized/ portable/ tiny – huge/ massive/ enormous/ bulky
- cool/ stylish
- cutting edge/ modern/ up to date – out of date/ old-fashioned/ classic/ traditional
- delicious/ tasty – disgusting/ revolting
- distinctive/ original/ unique/ unusual – unoriginal/ cliched/ typical/ common
- easy/ simple – challenging/ difficult/ impossible/ tricky/ complicated
- energetic/ lively – quiet/ calm
- entertaining/ fun – a chore
- exciting/ gripping/ thrilling
- extremely – fairly/ somewhat
- famous – infamous/ notorious
- fashionable/ popular/ trendy/ booming – unfashionable/ unpopular/ obscure/ niche/ cult
- favourite – least favourite/ most hated
- forgettable – memorable/ unforgettable
- good for you/ educational/ healthy – bad for you/ unhealthy
- got better/ improved – got worse/ worsened
- impeccable/ perfect/ flawless – flawed
- important/ essential/ crucial – pointless/ trivial/ unimportant
- impressive/ awe-inspiring – unimpressive/ disappointing
- intellectually stimulating/ intelligent – mindless/ stupid
- knowledgeable/ (well-)informed – ignorant/ uninformed
- luxurious
- monotonous/ repetitive – varied
- moving
- nice/ lovely/ delightful/ charming/ enchanting – unpleasant
- odd/ strange/ weird/ eccentric/ unconventional – normal/ conventional
- overrated – underrated
- polite – impolite/ rude
- pretentious – humble/ unpretentious
- reasonable/ good value – expensive/ a rip off/ overpriced
- ridiculous/ silly – serious
- satisfying – dissatisfying
- sophisticated – unsophisticated
- subtle/ restrained/ understated – over the top/ excessive
- surprising/ shocking/ astonishing – predictable
- tasteful – tasteless/ tacky

Extreme adjectives for reviews presentation

Underline the strongest word or words in each line below (= words that are extreme/ ungradable and so mean “very + weaker adjective” and go with adverbs like “absolutely/ totally/ completely/ utterly”, not “a little”, “fairly”, etc).

- amazing/ brilliant/ fantastic/ good/ outstanding/ superb/ terrific
- awful/ bad/ dreadful/ terrible
- amusing/ funny/ hilarious
- annoying/ irritating/ infuriating
- attractive/ beautiful/ gorgeous/ pretty/ stunning
- hideous/ ugly/ unattractive
- interesting/ fascinating
- compact/ little/ pocket-sized/ portable/ small/ tiny
- big/ huge/ large/ massive/ enormous
- cutting edge/ modern/ up to date
- distinctive/ original/ unique/ unusual
- challenging/ difficult/ impossible/ tricky/ complicated
- exciting/ gripping/ thrilling
- fashionable/ popular/ trendy/ booming
- memorable/ unforgettable
- important/ essential/ crucial
- pointless/ trivial/ unimportant
- impressive/ awe-inspiring
- mindless/ stupid
- nice/ lovely/ delightful
- surprising/ astonishing

Suggested answers

The extreme adjectives are underlined.

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Vocabulary for reviews synonyms and antonyms

Write as many words with the same and/ or opposite meanings to the words below as you can. In this activity, words which mean “very...” the other word (e.g. “freezing” and “cold”) count as synonyms.

- outstanding
- amusing
- infuriating
- gorgeous
- tedious
- uplifting
- tiny
- cutting edge
- tasty
- simple
- lively
- booming
- forgettable
- essential
- impressive
- intellectually stimulating
- knowledgeable
- monotonous
- strange
- overrated
- polite
- pretentious
- reasonable
- subtle
- astonishing
- tasteful

Mixed answers – line by line version

- amazing/ brilliant/ fantastic/ superb/ terrific – awful/ dreadful/ terrible
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- attractive/ beautiful/ pretty/ stunning – hideous/ ugly/ unattractive
- awe-inspiring – unimpressive/ disappointing
- boring/ dull – interesting/ fascinating
- delicious – disgusting/ revolting
- depressing
- easy – challenging/ difficult/ impossible/ tricky/ complicated
- energetic – quiet/ calm
- fashionable/ popular/ trendy – unfashionable/ unpopular/ obscure/ niche/ cult
- funny/ hilarious – unfunny
- good value – expensive/ a rip off/ overpriced
- huge/ massive/ enormous/ massive
- humble/ unpretentious
- impolite/ rude
- important/ crucial – pointless/ trivial/ unimportant
- (well-)informed – ignorant/ uninformed
- intelligent – mindless/ stupid
- memorable/ unforgettable
- modern/ up to date – out of date/ old-fashioned/ classic/ traditional
- odd/ weird/ eccentric/ unconventional – normal/ conventional
- repetitive – varied
- restrained/ understated – over the top/ excessive
- surprising/ shocking – predictable
- tasteless/ tacky
- underrated

Mixed answers – opposites split version

- amazing/ brilliant/ fantastic/ superb/ terrific
- annoying/ irritating
- attractive/ beautiful/ pretty/ stunning
- awe-inspiring
- awful/ dreadful/ terrible
- boring/ dull
- calming/ relaxing
- challenging/ difficult/ impossible/ tricky/ complicated
- delicious
- depressing
- disgusting/ revolting
- easy
- energetic
- expensive/ a rip off/ overpriced
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- odd/ weird/ eccentric/ unconventional
- out of date/ old-fashioned/ classic/ traditional
- over the top/ excessive
- pointless/ trivial/ unimportant
- predictable
- quiet/ calm
- repetitive
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