

# Intensifiers and Mitigators

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Intensifiers are adverbs or adverbial phrases that reinforce the meaning of verbs, adjectives or adverbs.

1. a) Are you absolutely sure that this is the answer?

b) Why does Kaamesh seem so sad today?

c) I felt extremely happy when I was gifted a puppy.

d) Zara is really meticulous in her studies.

e) Kamakshi is very rude to the customers.

f) I am utterly baffled by his actions.

g) I felt so happy to see my family again.

h) I expect you to be completely done with your project by tonight.

2a. Kabir is not at all concerned about the results.

b. Yuck! This shawarma is too salty?!

c. Shreshthi ~~was~~ has caught a really bad cold.

d. This map is extremely confusing.

e. What an absolutely dreadful day!

f. <sup>where</sup> ~~you must~~ on earth did you find that old map?

g. ~~where~~ you must thoroughly wash fruits before eating them.

h. Saisha was being utterly nice to everyone today.

3a. I am a bit displeased by Geet's behavior tonight.

b. The clock seems slightly tilted to the

right.

g) The heat makes me feel more or less exhausted.

d) Our stick barely grazed the mango before it fell down.

e) Everyone in the class was hardly on board with the plan.

f) The children can rather wait for school to let out.

g) Can you lend me some money? I'm somewhat short on cash.

h) Iaa felt less enthusiastic about dinner after learning there was no dessert.

4/a) Remedial classes are extremely helpful for new students.

b) Don't worry - Yours is a fairly good

drawing

a, I feel terribly hungry - I might ask for a very large portion tonight

d, Meenu is very short. She can hardly reach the top of the cupboard.

e, I loved The Hunger Games movie so much! They were quite interesting!

f, My uncle makes very delicious gulab jamuns. He is an extremely talented cook!

g, It is rather chilly outside. I might have to start wearing a slightly thicker coat

h, What on earth are you thinking? It's too early in the morning for your band practice?!

5a. I ~~soo~~ really want to go to Mexico this year! I've heard that it's a very beautiful place.

b. Viti is <sup>barely</sup> ~~extremely~~ excited for the sports day - she hates running.

c. I'm ~~so~~ extremely sorry for ~~for~~ forgetting your birthday - I promise I will make up for it.

d. Hak looks ~~ut~~ really tired today - We should let him rest.

e. Are you sure that you want to go ~~the~~ work? You still look somewhat sick.

f. Once you ~~hardly~~ thoroughly read the text, you will be able to answer every ~~question~~ question.

g. I feel ~~so~~ absolutely full after the ~~that~~ ~~course~~ meal you had prepared for us.

h, why are you so angry? I barely  
touched your food!