

Intensifiers and Mitigators Worksheet

Intermediate B1–B2 · Side A

Name: _____ Date: _____ Score: / 20

Exercise A · Intensifier or mitigator? (Q1–5)

Write INT (intensifier) or MIT (mitigator)

Options: INT (intensifier) / MIT (mitigator)

1. *absolutely* → Type: _____
2. *slightly* → Type: _____
3. *extremely* → Type: _____
4. *rather* → Type: _____
5. *incredibly* → Type: _____

Exercise B · Fill in the blank (Q6–10)

Use an appropriate intensifier or mitigator from the box (*very, quite, fairly, absolutely, a little, incredibly, slightly, rather*).

6. The film was ___ brilliant — I've never seen anything like it.
→ _____
7. She was ___ tired after the long journey, but she was fine.
→ _____
8. The exam was ___ difficult, but most students passed.
→ _____
9. He is ___ talented — truly exceptional.
→ _____
10. The weather was ___ chilly, but not unpleasant.
→ _____

Intensifiers and Mitigators Worksheet — Side B

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Exercise C · Correct the mistake (Q11–14)

Rewrite each sentence using a more natural intensifier.

11. She was very exhausted after the race. (use 'absolutely')
→ _____
12. The food was absolutely good. (use a more natural intensifier)
→ _____
13. I'm fairly certain about the answer. (strengthen the certainty)
→ _____
14. The traffic was incredibly light. (soften the statement)
→ _____

Exercise D · Multiple choice (Q15–17)

Choose the most natural intensifier.

15. She was ___ right about the problem.
(a) absolutely (b) fairly (c) very
16. It was ___ cold, but not freezing.
(a) incredibly (b) a bit (c) absolutely
17. The speech was ___ moving — everyone cried.
(a) quite (b) deeply (c) fairly

Exercise E · Write your own sentences (Q18–20)

Use one intensifier and one mitigator.

18. Use an intensifier to describe a film → ___
→ _____
19. Use a mitigator to soften a criticism → ___
→ _____
20. Use 'absolutely' with an extreme adjective → ___
→ _____

Answer Sheet — Intensifiers and Mitigators Worksheet

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Exercise A — Intensifier or mitigator?

Q1–5

1. INT
2. MIT
3. INT
4. MIT
5. INT

Exercise B — Fill in the blank

Q6–10

6. absolutely
7. a little / slightly
8. fairly / quite / rather
9. incredibly
10. slightly / a little / rather

Exercise C — Correct the mistake

Q11–14

11. She was absolutely exhausted after the race.
12. The food was very / really good.
13. I'm completely / absolutely certain about the answer.
14. The traffic was fairly / relatively light.

Exercise D — Multiple choice

Q15–17

15. absolutely
16. a bit
17. deeply

Exercise E — Write your own sentences

Q18–20

18. (own answer)
19. (own answer)
20. (own answer)

Total: 20 points · Side A: Q1–10 · Side B: Q11–20