Grammar Explanation

Using adjectives with –ed and –ing endings correctly

Some verbs become adjectives when –ing or –ed endings are added to them. However, their meanings are different depending on which of the two endings they have.

• Use –ed adjectives such as interested, excited when you describe feelings or emotions that someone experiences.
  
  o Example: Alex was really excited when he found out that he had won the scholarship.

• Use –ing adjectives such as interesting, exciting to describe something that causes these feelings or emotions.

  o Example: Winning such a highly competitive scholarship is an exciting opportunity for Alex to pursue his education.

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