

Short Story Most Common Emotion/ Experience Words

- Read all of the story to get the main idea.
- Then, cross out the wrong word form in the sentence.
- Does the word describe a feeling (+ED), experience (+ING) or thing (+ING)?

Example: The **food** was so ~~disgusted~~ / disgusting because it smelled very bad.

A Very long Bus Ride

I am a 70-year-old woman and I have a 9-year-old granddaughter. I take care of her every Saturday afternoon when my son is at work. Last Saturday, I had a very embarrassed / embarrassing time when she was with me.

It was raining outside, and my granddaughter was boring / bored. I told her we could go shopping. Then, she was very excited / exciting. The 45-minute bus ride to the shopping mall was frustrated/ frustrating. The bus was full, so many people were standing up.

I was surprised / surprising when I saw a young man sitting down at the front. I was also a little upset / upsetting because young people always let older people sit down on the bus in my country. My granddaughter saw that I was not happy, so she was confused / confusing. I looked at the young man for a long time, but he didn't look worried / worrying. After 15 minutes, I was very tired, so I talked to the young man.

I said, "Excuses me. Can I sit down?"

He calmly spoke to me, "I'm sorry. I cannot stand. My wheelchair is behind you."

I felt very humiliated / humiliating, so I said, "I am so sorry." I wanted to look away, but I had to stand in front of him for the next 30 minutes.

I was very relieved / relieving when we got to the shopping mall!

This experience taught me that I should not make assumptions about other people.

Your turn! Discussing Public Transportation (busses, sky trains or subways).

1. In your home country, can people who use wheelchairs ride on the bus? Explain.
2. Do you think young people should always give their seat to older people? Explain.
3. Have you ever had an embarrassing experience on a bus or public transport? Explain.
4. Have you ever had a surprising experience when you used public transport?