



## Important, Interesting and Serious Exercise

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- **important** - is usually used with **positive** meaning
  - **interesting** - often means '**not boring**'
  - **serious** - is often used with **negative** meaning
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**A** Fill the gaps with **important**, **interesting** and **serious**.

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- 2 There were quite a few ..... members of the government at the fancy dress ball.
- 3 I find my degree course very ..... , thank god.
- 4 Clive's had a car crash but luckily it wasn't .....
- 5 Mr Glum's so ..... the whole time. He never smiles.
- 6 I saw a really ..... documentary about stroking sharks.
- 7 I had a really ..... conversation with JK about religion, down the pub last night.
- 8 Apart from being gorgeous, Sophy's such an ..... person: she's travelled all over The States, and next she's off to The Pacific.
- 9 He has a very ..... position in the company, but he's always stressed and he says it's boring work.
- 10 The recent rise in street crime is very .....
- 11 It is very ..... for Spain to improve its road safety record.
- 12 Geoff isn't as ..... to the company as he thinks he is.
- 13 The continued use of fossil fuels poses a ..... threat to the survival of the human species.
- 14 When I asked you to stop phoning me late at night, I was being deadly .....
- 15 It's ..... not to forget a torch when you go camping.

**B** Now make up some examples of your own.

- 1 .....
- 2 .....
- 3 .....
- 4 .....





## Answers

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