



Formal vs. Informal Intensifiers Exercise

Read the sentence and decide if the situation is formal or informal. Choose the correct intensifier for the situation.

1. The presentation at the conference was _____ (highly / totally) impressive, especially considering the complexity of the research they presented.
2. It's _____ (extremely / so) important that you submit your report on time as the board will be reviewing all documents tomorrow.
3. That café we found by the beach was _____ (pretty / exceptionally) nice - we should definitely go back!
4. The food at this restaurant has been _____ (highly / super) recommended by several well-known critics in the local food guide.
5. I'm _____ (really / extremely) sorry I forgot your birthday - I feel awful about it.
6. The concert last night was _____ (so / incredibly) loud, especially when the band played their final song - my ears are still ringing!
7. Her performance in the final exam was _____ (exceptionally / pretty) strong, especially in the last section where she scored full marks.
8. The film we watched was _____ (so / highly) boring - I almost fell asleep!
9. During the interview, it was _____ (extremely / super) difficult to hear what the speaker was saying due to construction noise outside.
10. This wine you brought is _____ (really / exceptionally) good - where did you buy it?

Answers:

1. The presentation at the conference was **highly** impressive, especially considering the complexity of the research they presented. (formal)
2. It's **extremely** important that you submit your report on time as the board will be reviewing all documents tomorrow. (formal)
3. That café we found by the beach was **pretty** nice - we should definitely go back! (informal)
4. The food at this restaurant has been **highly** recommended by several well-known critics in the local food guide. (formal)
5. I'm **really** sorry I forgot your birthday - I feel awful about it. (informal)
6. The concert last night was **incredibly** loud, especially when the band played their final song - my ears are still ringing! (informal)
7. Her performance in the final exam was **exceptionally** strong, especially in the last section where she scored full marks. (formal)
8. The film we watched was **so** boring - I almost fell asleep! (informal)
9. During the interview, it was **extremely** difficult to hear what the speaker was saying due to constant noise outside. (formal)
10. This wine you brought is **really** good - where did you buy it? (informal)