
BBC LEARNING ENGLISH

Take an English class on quite, pretty, rather and fairly



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Now let's practise what you learned in the lesson!

Exercise 1

Complete the sentences with *quite*, *pretty*, *rather* or *fairly*.

Example: Curry is usually one of her favourite foods, but she found this one rather spicy.

1. I was _____ shocked at how good a singer she was!
2. I don't want to go out tonight- it's been _____ a stressful day.
3. It was a _____ easy exam- I'm _____ sure I'll pass.
4. It was a _____ good episode of the show, but I wasn't too keen on the music they used.
5. Everyone complained about the food, which was _____ cold and greasy.
6. The sun came out during the picnic so it turned into _____ a nice day.
7. It's a _____ good phone- nice and reliable.

Well done! Now you can check your answers at the bottom of the next page.

Exercise 2: Writing and Speaking Practice

Use “quite”, “pretty” “rather” and “fairly” to write sentences about your opinion on these topics. Compare your sentences with a friend. Did you have similar or different answers?

Example sentence: *I quite enjoy travelling on a plane, although sometimes if it a long flight I can get rather bored.*

1. Travelling on a plane.
2. Spicy food.
3. Swimming in the sea.
4. Rock music.
5. Your experiences of learning English.
6. Social media.

Remember you can watch the video recording of the lesson again, if you need a reminder of sentence position or the small differences between these words 😊

Answers to Exercise 1

1. I was rather shocked at how good a singer she was!
2. I don't want to go out tonight- it's been quite a stressful day.
3. It was a pretty easy exam- I'm quite sure I'll pass.
4. It was a fairly good episode of the show, but I wasn't too keen on the music they used.
5. Everyone complained about the food, which was rather cold and greasy.
6. The sun came out during the picnic so it turned into quite a nice day.
7. It's a pretty good phone- nice and reliable.