

Stop Saying Angry: Annoyed, Frustrated or Furious?

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Study task: Listen again and notice the expressions you studied.

1

annoyed

agacé

DEF

Slightly angry or irritated because something bothers you.

Usually less intense than furious. Use annoyed with a person and annoyed about a situation; context determines the actual feeling.

FR

Légèrement en colère ou irrité parce que quelque chose dérange.

Généralement moins intense que furious; employer annoyed with pour une personne et annoyed about pour une situation, selon le sentiment réel.

I was annoyed because someone kept talking during the film.

I was annoyed because someone kept talking during the film. → J'étais agacé parce que quelqu'un parlait sans arrêt pendant le film.

She was annoyed with me for leaving the kitchen untidy.

She was annoyed with me for leaving the kitchen untidy. → Elle était agacée contre moi parce que j'avais laissé la cuisine en désordre.

2

frustrated

frustré

DEF

Unhappy or irritated because you cannot achieve what you are trying to do.

The key idea is blocked progress, not simply stronger anger. Use frustrated with something or frustrated by a problem.

FR

Mécontent ou irrité parce que l'on ne parvient pas à faire ce que l'on essaie de faire.

L'idée essentielle est un progrès bloqué, pas simplement une colère plus forte; employer frustrated with something ou frustrated by a problem.

You were frustrated with the ticket machine.

You were frustrated with the ticket machine. → Tu étais frustré par le distributeur de billets.

He felt frustrated because he could not find the words to reply.

He felt frustrated because he could not find the words to reply. → Il se sentait frustré parce qu'il ne trouvait pas les mots pour répondre.



3

furious*furieux*

DEF

Extremely angry.

Already a strong adjective. Absolutely furious is a natural combination; very furious is usually unnecessary. Use furious with someone for doing something.

FR

Extrêmement en colère.

L'adjectif est déjà fort; absolutely furious est naturel et very furious souvent inutile; furious with someone for doing something indique la personne et la raison.

She was furious when someone used her bank card without permission.

She was furious when someone used her bank card without permission. → Elle était furieuse quand quelqu'un a utilisé sa carte bancaire sans permission.

He was furious with his colleague for taking credit for his work.

He was furious with his colleague for taking credit for his work. → Il était furieux contre son collègue parce qu'il s'était attribué le mérite de son travail.

