

Gradable		
1.	is <u>colder</u> than	23.1A~comparative/superlative form possible (as w/ all gradable adjectives)
3.	very <u>attractive</u>	23.1B~ <i>very</i> can be used to make gradable adjs stronger
8.	dead <u>exciting</u>	23.3A~ <i>dead</i> is used in informal English as intensifier; don't use in formal English; another is <i>bleeding</i>
10.	<u>absolutely</u> <u>ugly</u>	23.1B~can't use <i>absolutely</i> to make gradable adjs. stronger
11.	very <u>empty</u> (but can be either)	23.3B~can have gradable and ungradable meaning depending on if adj. describes an absolute quality- <i>There is no one here; the room is empty</i> -or a quality which is relative to sth else- <i>Our classroom is pretty empty; there are only two students here</i> . Other such adjs. are <i>beautiful, full, black, delicious, new, possible</i> .
13.	painfully <u>shy</u>	23.1B~common adv. + adj. collocation
14.	terribly <u>exciting</u>	23.1B~can use <i>terribly</i> to strengthen meaning of gradable adj.
15.	very <u>expensive</u>	23.1B~ <i>very</i> can be used to make gradable adjs stronger
16.	a little bit <u>sick</u>	23.1C~ <i>a little bit</i> can be used to weaken a gradable adj.
20.	quite <u>good</u>	23.1D~can be used w/ gradable adjs.; meaning dependent on stress & intonation
Ungradable		
2.	very <u>enormous</u>	23.2A~ungradable adjs. have meaning which represents limit of scale; we don't use <i>very</i> to make them stronger
4.	more <u>boiling</u> than	23.2A~ungradable adjs. not usu. used in comparative/superlative form
5.	slightly <u>huge</u>	23.2C~can't usu. make ungradable adjs. weaker by using <i>fairly, slightly, a (little) bit, somewhat, or not very</i> ; we can use words like <i>almost, nearly, practically, or virtually</i>
6.	a most <u>delicious</u> (but can be either)	23.2D~not usu. used in comparatives & superlatives; can be used gradably when comparing similar things at one end of scale (ex. even more delicious)
7.	virtually <u>extinct</u>	23.2C~ we can use words like <i>almost, nearly, practically, or virtually</i> with ungradable adjs. to indicate pt. close to the absolute meaning
9.	really <u>gripping</u>	23.3A~ <i>really</i> can be used w/ both gradable & ungradable adjs.
12.	slightly <u>free</u>	23.2C~ can't usu. make ungradable adjs. weaker by using <i>fairly, slightly, a (little) bit, somewhat, or not very</i> ; we can use words like <i>almost, nearly, practically, or virtually</i>
17.	quite <u>correct</u>	23.2B~can use <i>quite</i> w/ ungradable adjs.= <i>completely</i>
18.	totally <u>paralysed</u>	23.2B~can use <i>absolutely</i> w/ many ungradable adjs., but not all; w/ some, use <i>completely, totally, utterly</i> ; learn as vocab. items (no grammar rules)
19.	almost <u>dead</u>	23.2C~use <i>almost, nearly, practically, or virtually</i> to indicate pt. close to absolute meaning of ungradable adj.