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Un exercice complémentaire pour travailler les adjectifs composés en -ing.

Cet exercice pourra aussi être fait en prolongement de Language Watch/ Grammarama page 154.

(Exercice corrigé sur cette page. Page suivante : exercice en version photocopiable.)

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- These people _____ very _____.

b. Now explain what the following adjectives mean:

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- A **wood-eating** insect is _____.
- A **heart-breaking** experience is an experience that _____.

c. Build adjectives from the following sentences:

- His mother **loves jazz**: he has a _____ mother.
- This city **looks very strange**: it is a _____ city.
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Corrigé

a. Explain what the adjectives mean:

- This experience **opened** her **eyes**.
- These people **work** very **hard**.

b. Now explain what the following adjectives mean:

- A **fast-growing** plant is a plant that **grows very fast**.
- A **wood-eating** insect is **an insect that eats wood**.
- A **heart-breaking** experience is an experience **that breaks your heart**.

c. Build adjectives from the following sentences:

- His mother **loves jazz**: he has a **jazz-loving** mother.
- This city **looks very strange**: it is a **strange-looking** city.
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