

# So or such?

Hello and welcome back, in this lesson we will be exploring the use of the words 'so' and 'such'.

We will learn which is best for which situation.



## Why use them?

So and such are used to emphasise nouns and adjectives.

## Examples:

It was so hot yesterday that I went swimming down at the pool.



That was such a good film.  
Who was the main actor?



## How to use so

We use:

**So + Adjective or Adverb**

He was so quick, he won  
the race easily.



My mother spoke French so well!



## How to use such

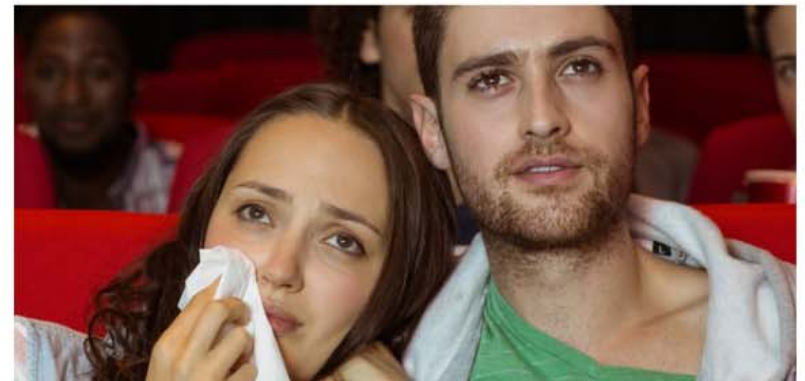
We use:

### Such + Noun or Adjective and Noun

He drove such a fast car that he won easily



Such films always make me cry.



<b>so + adjective</b>	<b>such + noun phrase</b>
<i>You're so kind.</i>	<i>He's such a kind person</i>
<i>It was so hot we couldn't work.</i>	<i>November was such a cold month.</i>

## So / Because

So and because are used to talk about reasons and causes for connected events.

Let's take a look at a little story:

Tom gets up. He sees the weather forecast. "It's going to rain," they say. He decides to take his umbrella. Later on, it rains, but Tom is smiling under his umbrella!

They said it was going to rain, so Tom took his umbrella.  
Tom took his umbrella because he saw the weather forecast.  
Tom didn't get wet because he had his umbrella, so he was happy!



Watch out!



1. We use *such*, not *so*, before a noun, even if there is an adjective before the noun:  
*They're **such** snobs! They won't speak to anyone else in the village.* ✓  
Not: They're so snobs ... ✗
2. We use *such*, not *so*, before a noun phrase with the indefinite article *a/an*:  
*This is **such a** wonderful kitchen!* ✓  
Not: This is a so wonderful kitchen! ✗
3. We use *so*, not *such*, before adjectives:  
*Thank you. You're **so** kind.* ✓  
Not: You're such kind. ✗
4. We use *so*, not *such*, before adverbs:  
*She always dresses **so** elegantly.* ✓  
Not: She always dresses such elegantly. ✗