



GRAMMAR PRACTICE

So and Such in Entertainment Reviews

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1. Lead-in discussion

Talk with a partner. You may already use this grammar without noticing it.

No.	Question
1	Describe a film that was so exciting you wanted to watch it again.
2	Name such a good book that you would recommend it.
3	What concert or festival was so popular that tickets sold out?
4	How can reviewers use so and such to make opinions stronger?

2. Grammar in context

Read the text. The bold phrases show the grammar used in a natural topic context.

A Review of a Music Festival

The festival was **so popular** that tickets sold out within hours. It was **such an exciting event** that many people travelled from other cities.

The main singer had **such a powerful voice** that the audience became silent during the final song. The lighting was **so impressive** that even small children watched in amazement.

However, the queues were **so long** that some visitors missed the first performance. Overall, it was **such a memorable evening** that I would definitely go again.

3. Notice the pattern

Use so + adjective/adverb and such + noun phrase to add emphasis, often followed by that + result.

Use	Form / signal	Example
so + adjective	so popular	The festival was so popular that tickets sold out.
such + noun phrase	such an exciting event	It was such an exciting event that people travelled far.
Result	that + clause	The queues were so long that people missed the show.
Article with singular noun	such a/an + adjective + noun	such a powerful voice

4. Build accurate sentences

Complete each sentence using the grammar focus. Then write two examples of your own.

No.	Prompt	Use	Your answer
1	The film was / exciting / I watched it twice.	so ... that	
2	It was / good book / I recommended it.	such a ... that	
3	The queues were / long / people missed the show.	so ... that	
4	She had / powerful voice / the audience became silent.	such a ... that	

1. _____

2. _____

5. Use it in exam answers

Complete the tasks using the grammar focus naturally.

Task	What to do
Speaking	Describe a film, book or concert using so/such for emphasis.
Writing	Write a short review paragraph using at least four so/such structures.
Reading	Underline so/such structures in the context text.

6. Common mistakes

Correct the mistakes.

No.	Mistake	Your correction
1	It was so exciting event.	
2	The film was such exciting that I watched it twice.	
3	She had so powerful voice.	
4	The queues were such long that people missed the show.	

7. Topic discussion questions

Use these for pair work, small-group discussion, or speaking-test warm-up practice.

1. What makes a film so good that people watch it again?
2. Have you ever read such a good book that you recommended it?
3. Can reviews sometimes be too positive?
4. What makes a concert or festival memorable?

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4. Build accurate sentences

1. The film was so exciting that I watched it twice.
2. It was such a good book that I recommended it.
3. The queues were so long that people missed the show.
4. She had such a powerful voice that the audience became silent.

Own answers will vary. Check that the grammar focus is accurate and natural.

6. Common mistakes

1. It was such an exciting event.
2. The film was so exciting that I watched it twice.
3. She had such a powerful voice.
4. The queues were so long that people missed the show.

Notes for checking

1. so + adjective: so popular - The festival was so popular that tickets sold out.
2. such + noun phrase: such an exciting event - It was such an exciting event that people travelled far.
3. Result: that + clause - The queues were so long that people missed the show.
4. Article with singular noun: such a/an + adjective + noun - such a powerful voice