

The use of 'enough'

GRAMMAR

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Intermediate

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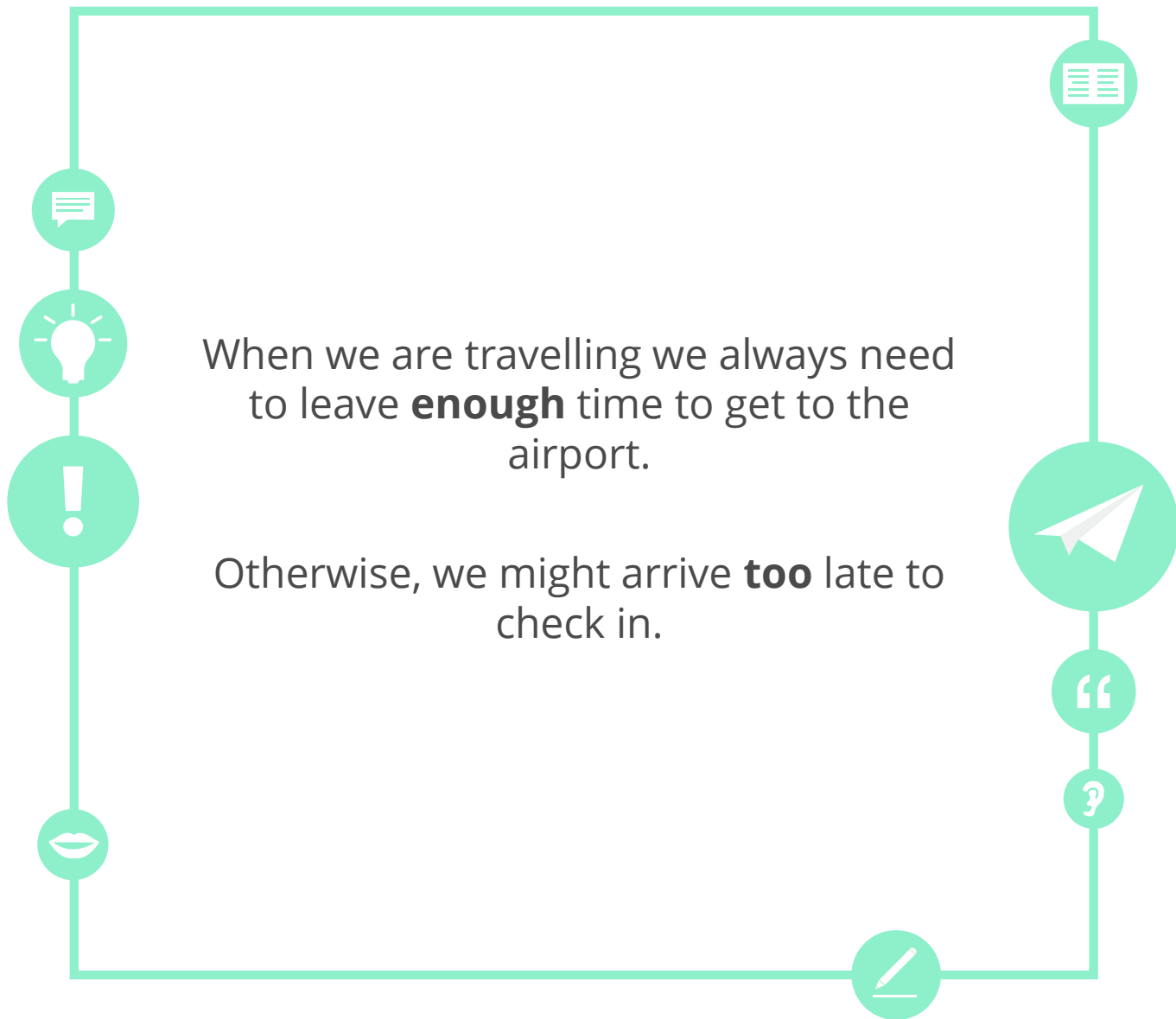




Goals

- Can determine when to use the phrase 'not enough'.
- Can distinguish between the uses of 'too' and 'not enough'.







Preview and warm-up

In this lesson, you are going to learn how to use ***not enough*** and ***too***.



This hotel is **too** loud!



Enough

- *Enough* means as much as **necessary**.
- Look at these examples:

I have enough money to buy that.

I am smart enough to learn English.

I have enough time to help you today.

I drove slowly enough so that we could see the countryside.





Use with nouns, adjectives and adverbs

- **Enough** can be used with **nouns** and with **adjectives** and **adverbs**.
- **Enough** is placed **before** a **noun**.
- **Enough** is placed **after** an **adjective** or an **adverb**.

Nouns	Adjectives and adverbs
I have got enough food for everyone.	I am happy enough with this job.
She's got enough experience to do the job.	I am satisfied enough with this room.
Is there enough space in the gym?	The business centre is big enough for our conference.



Not enough

- ***Not enough*** means **less than necessary**.
- It is used with **nouns** and **adjectives and adverbs** in the same way as enough.

Nouns	Adjectives and adverbs
We do not have enough time to finish this.	The room is not clean enough.
I do not have enough money to buy this.	The restaurant is not big enough for us.
There are not enough chairs for our meeting.	You are not working fast enough.



Grammar examples

- Here are some more examples:



Do we have **enough** coffee for everyone?

Are we prepared **enough** for the meeting?



There **isn't enough** choice in the restaurant.



Look at these sentences

Decide where to put *enough* in these sentences.

1. This report is not good. Please do it again.
2. There are not options on the hotel restaurant menu. We should eat in the city.
3. Are there seats in here?
4. Is it warm for you all in the swimming pool?
5. Will you have time to get from the airport to the meeting?





Change the sentences to include *enough*

1. This room is big so we can have our conference here.



This room is big enough to have our conference here.

2. My room is clean so I am happy.



3. I am not prepared for the meeting.



4. I went to the airport late and I missed my flight.



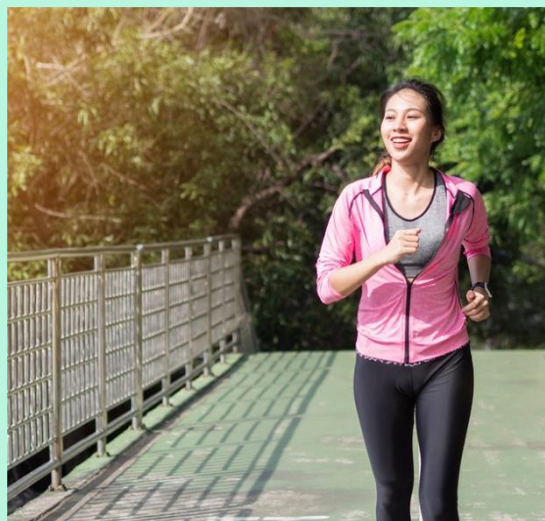
5. There were no chairs in the departure lounge and there were lots of people.





Speaking

Answer these questions with your partner.



Do you think you get enough exercise during your working week?

Do you have enough time to see a city when you travel for work?

Do you always leave enough time to get to the airport when you have a flight?

Do you think hotels have enough facilities for business travellers?



Too

- **Too** means **more than** is **necessary** or **good** for a situation.
- We use **too** with **adjectives** and **adverbs**.
- It is placed **before adjectives** and **adverbs**.

Adjectives	Adverbs
This room is too small.	You are driving too fast!
It is too late to start the meeting now.	I have been working too hard.
John is too inexperienced to lead this meeting.	I speak English too slowly.



Too much and too many

- We use ***too much*** and ***too many*** to mean **more than is necessary** of something.
- We use these words with **nouns**.
- ***Too much*** is used with **uncountable nouns** and ***too many*** is used with **countable nouns**.

Too much	Too many
I have too much work to do.	There are too many people in this terminal.
I drank too much coffee at dinner this evening.	I have too many problems at work at the moment.
There is too much noise in this hotel.	There are too many children in this business hotel.



Not too

- **Too** can also be used with **not** to mean that there is **not more** than is **necessary** or **good**.

- The room is **not too** bad.
- The business centre is **not too** small for us.
- It's **not too** difficult to arrange – don't worry!





Grammar examples

- Here are some examples with **too**:



There was **too much** turbulence on the flight for me to do any work.

If it is **not too much** trouble, please ask housekeeping to come to my room.



The flight departure time was **too** early for me.

He was driving **too** slowly for me.





Writing

Put *too*, *too much* or *too many* into these sentences.

1. I work a lot of hours. I'm really tired.
2. This pillow is very hard – I can't sleep.
3. The hotel restaurant is really expensive. I will have to go to the city.
4. My boss gave me a lot of tasks to do and I will never finish them.
5. If it isn't a lot of trouble, please can you call me a taxi?





A very bad day

Fill in the gaps with *too*, *too many*, *too much* or *enough*.

John woke up _____ late and he didn't have _____ time to get to the airport so he missed his flight to Paris. He wanted to take another flight but his boss said it was _____ expensive so he had to take the Eurostar.

When he arrived at his hotel he wanted to use the business centre but there were _____ people in there already and not _____ seats for everyone.

He went up to his room and tried to go to sleep but he had _____ things on his mind. Not a good start to John's business trip to Paris!





What are the opposites of these adjectives?

expensive

clean

safe

late

big

heavy



Choose one of the adjectives from the previous activity and transform the sentences

1. The plane will not land on time for me to get to the meeting.



The plane is too late/not early enough.

2. You cannot have your suitcase as hand luggage – it must be checked in. (too)



3. The hotel room costs a lot of money. (too/enough)



4. Don't go to that part of town at night. (too/enough)



5. Please send a maid to my room, it's dirty! (enough)





Discuss

What problems have you had while travelling for business?



The bed wasn't
soft enough

The minibar was
too expensive



Speaking

**Do you ever feel
like you have too
much work to do?**



**What do you do when
you have too many
tasks to complete in
one day?**





Imagine you are...

... travelling for work and are at the gate at the airport. The airline representative tells you the flight is overbooked and there aren't enough seats. Act out the situation with a partner.

- Remember to use *too*, *too much*, *too many*, *enough* where appropriate.
- Make sure you reach an agreement between you!





Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

yes

no





Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?



If you have time, go over
the most difficult slides again



Answer key

Exercise p. 9

1. This report is not good **enough**. 2. There are not **enough** options on the hotel restaurant menu. 3. Are there **enough** seats in here? 4. Is it warm **enough** for you all in the swimming pool? 5. Will you have **enough** time to get from the airport to the meeting?

Exercise p. 10

2. My room is clean enough so I am happy. 3. I am not prepared enough for the meeting. 4. I didn't go to the airport early enough so I missed my flight. 5. There were not enough chairs in the departure lounge.

Exercise p. 16

1. I work **too** many hours. 2. This pillow is **too** hard – I can't sleep. 3. The hotel restaurant is **too** expensive. 4. My boss gave me **too** many tasks to do... 5. If it isn't **too** much trouble...

Exercise p. 17

too, enough, too, too many, enough, too many

Exercise p. 18

cheap, dirty, dangerous, early, small, light

Exercise p. 19

2. Your suitcase is too heavy (to be hand luggage...). 3. The hotel room is too expensive/not cheap enough. 4. That part of town is too dangerous/not safe enough at night. 5. Please send a maid to my room, it's not clean enough.





Match the beginnings and the endings

1. There are too...

a. much traffic on the road.

2. The swimming pool is...

b. time to finish this report.

3. There is too...

c. too late to check in.

4. I don't have enough...

d. too soft – I can't sleep.

5. The airline said I was...

e. too much trouble to call me a taxi.

6. The receptionist at the hotel said it wasn't...

f. many people in the swimming pool.

7. My bed is...

g. too small.



Email writing

Write an email to your colleague about a really bad travel day that you had. Look back at p. 17 for help.

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To: my colleague			
Subject: A really terrible day			
Hi...			



Homework answer key

Exercise p. 26

1. f, 2. g, 3. a, 4. b, 5. c, 6. e, 7. d



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