

So

Form *so* + adjective + *that*
 so + adverb + *that*
 so + *many/much* + noun + *that*

Use**Example**

To show the results of a situation or action

*The burglar was **so** clever **that** no one could catch him.*
*Jane took the money **so** quickly **that** no one saw her.*
*There was **so** much money **that** the robber couldn't carry it all.*

Watch out!

- The word *that* is not usually necessary to introduce the second clause.
 ✓ *The crime rate is **so** high people are very frightened.*
- The word *so* has a number of other uses. Try not to get confused between them.
 ✓ *The crime rate is **so** high **that** people are very frightened.*
 ✓ *I saw that burglar leaving the house, **so** I called the police.*

Such

Form *such* + *a/an* + adjective + singular noun + *that*
 such + adjective + plural noun + *that*
 such + *a lot of* + noun + *that*

Use**Example**

To show the results of a situation or action

*It was **such** a terrible crime **that** the man was sent to prison for life.*
*The security guard had **such** good hearing **that** he heard the door open immediately.*
*There is **such** a lot of crime here **that** the police can't cope.*

Enough

Form *enough* + noun (+ *for* and/or + full infinitive)
 adjective + *enough* (+ *for* and/or + full infinitive)
 adverb + *enough* (+ *for* and/or + full infinitive)

Use**Example**

To show the results of a situation or action where there is/isn't the right amount/number of something

*There aren't **enough** police officers on the streets to keep us safe.*
*It wasn't dark **enough** for the burglar to start working.*
*Did the police respond quickly **enough** to help?*

Watch out!

- A common mistake is to put *enough* before an adjective when the correct word is *quite* or *fairly*.
 ✓ *It's **quite** / **fairly** dangerous around here so don't go out alone.*
 ✗ *It's **enough** dangerous around here so don't go out alone.*

Too

Form *too* + adjective (+ *for* and/or + full infinitive)
 too + adverb (+ *for* and/or + full infinitive)
 too + *many/much* + noun (+ *for* and/or + full infinitive)

Use**Example**

To describe something that is more than necessary and which has a negative effect

*The young man was **too** young to go to prison.*
*We arrived **too** late for the start of the trial.*
*We send **too** many innocent people to prison.*

Watch out!

- We do not use *too* when we want to describe something we consider to be positive. Instead, we use *very*, *really* or *extremely*.
 ✓ *You were **very** / **really** / **extremely** lucky not to get caught.*
 ✗ *You were **too** lucky not to get caught.*