

Exclamatory sentences

An exclamatory sentence is used express a sudden emotion. It could be fear, anger, anxiety, admiration, excitement etc.

Here are some tips for constructing exclamatory sentences.

Use what a before a singular noun.

What a surprise!

Before an abstract noun or a plural noun, use what without a.

What awful weather!

Use how before a modifying adjective, an adverb or a verb.

Exercise

Use as many sentences as you can with the words given in the columns of the table given below.

What a	foolish guy nice silly as pleasant goose rude	I man! she evening! surprise! you	is! am! is! are!
What	treachery! child-like innocence! awful weather! lovely flowers!		

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How	clever	of	you!
	noble	of	him to do that!
	ridiculous!		

Examples are given below

What a nice evening!

What a pleasant surprise!

What treachery!

What awful weather!

How noble of him to do that!

How clever of you!

Note that it is possible to rewrite many of these sentences using a structure with it.

It was very noble of him to do that.

It was very clever of him.

More examples are given below.

How kind of him to help the poor man!

It was kind of him to help the poor man!

How thoughtless of him not to have locked the car!

It was thoughtless of him not to have locked the car.