So, very and too

The words too, so and very are degree modifiers. Generally speaking, so and very have positive meanings. Too, on the other hand, shows negative extremes. Can you use these words correctly? Test your understanding with this grammar exercise.

Complete the following sentences using too, so or very.

1. It was ..................... dark that I could not see anything.

   so
   very
   too

2. The tea is ..................... hot for me to drink.

   too
   so
   very

3. I was ..................... busy to meet them.

   so
   too
   very
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4. The evening was .................. cold.

very
too
Either could be used here

5. There are far .................. many mistakes in the essay.

very
too
Either could be used here

6. He behaved .................. rudely that we wanted to slap him.

very
so
too

7. I am .................. happy today.

so
very
too
Either so or very

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8. ..................... many people agree with me.

So
Very
Too
Either so or very

9. The coat was .................. expensive that I didn’t buy it.

too
so
very

10. He is ................................ frail to walk without support.

so
too
very

Answers

1. It was so dark that I could not see anything.
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2. The tea is too hot for me to drink.

3. I was too busy to meet them.

4. The evening was too / very cold.

5. There are far too many mistakes in the essay.

6. He behaved so rudely that we wanted to slap him.

7. I am so / very happy today.

8. So / Very many people agree with me.

9. The coat was so expensive that I didn’t buy it.

10. He is too frail to walk without support.