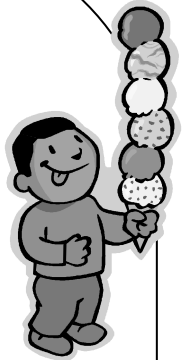


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3. The homework was difficult.

4. Our kitchen was messy.

5. Raul's burrito was spicy.

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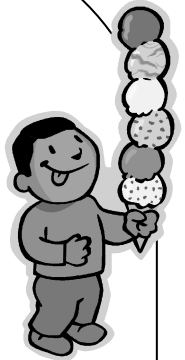
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The man was as sad as a little boy who had just dropped his ice cream cone.

12. Veronica was sleepy.

Veronica was as sleepy as a sloth.

13. The homework was difficult.

The homework was as difficult as brain surgery.

14. Our kitchen was messy.

Our kitchen was as messy as a toddler's playroom.

15. Raul's burrito was spicy.

Raul's burrito was spicy like a jalapeño pepper.

16. Eva's Internet connection was fast.

Eva's Internet connection was as fast as a roadrunner.

17. The baby giraffe's neck was long.

The baby giraffe's neck was as long as a boa constrictor.

18. The movie was exciting!

The movie was as exciting as an earthquake!

19. The umbrella is wet.

The umbrella was as wet as a sponge.

20. Jeremy and Mike are brave.

Jeremy and Mike are as brave as soldiers going into battle.