

# Instead of **VERY**

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|------------------|---------------|
| ✗ Very Shiny     | ✓ Gleaming    |
| ✗ Very Short     | ✓ Brief       |
| ✗ Very Serious   | ✓ Grave       |
| ✗ Very Sad       | ✓ Sorrowful   |
| ✗ Very Rich      | ✓ Wealthy     |
| ✗ Very Deep      | ✓ Profound    |
| ✗ Very Confused  | ✓ Perplexed   |
| ✗ Very Dirty     | ✓ Filthy      |
| ✗ Very Cute      | ✓ Adorable    |
| ✗ Very Detailed  | ✓ Meticulous  |
| ✗ Very Easy      | ✓ Effortless  |
| ✗ Very Difficult | ✓ Arduous     |
| ✗ Very Empty     | ✓ Desolate    |
| ✗ Very Excited   | ✓ Thrilled    |
| ✗ Very Depressed | ✓ Despondent  |
| ✗ Very Fat       | ✓ Obese       |
| ✗ Very Hot       | ✓ Sweltering  |
| ✗ Very Glad      | ✓ Overjoyed   |
| ✗ Very Friendly  | ✓ Amiable     |
| ✗ Very Special   | ✓ Exceptional |

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|----------------------|----------------|
| ✗ Very Hard          | ✓ Difficult    |
| ✗ Very Funny         | ✓ Hilarious    |
| ✗ Very Happy         | ✓ Ecstatic     |
| ✗ Very Sure          | ✓ Certain      |
| ✗ Very Tasty         | ✓ Delicious    |
| ✗ Very Beautiful     | ✓ Gorgeous     |
| ✗ Very Old Fashioned | ✓ Archaic      |
| ✗ Very Nervous       | ✓ Apprehensive |
| ✗ Very Old           | ✓ Ancient      |
| ✗ Very Poor          | ✓ Destitute    |
| ✗ Very Pretty        | ✓ Beautiful    |
| ✗ Very Smart         | ✓ Intelligent  |
| ✗ Very Perfect       | ✓ Flawless     |
| ✗ Very Necessary     | ✓ Essential    |
| ✗ Very Noisy         | ✓ Deafening    |
| ✗ Very Bright        | ✓ Luminous     |
| ✗ Very Long Term     | ✓ Enduring     |
| ✗ Very Boring        | ✓ Dull         |
| ✗ Very Angry         | ✓ Furious      |
| ✗ Very Quick         | ✓ Rapid        |

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|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| ✗ Very Busy        | ✓ Swamped      |
| ✗ Very Clean       | ✓ Spotless     |
| ✗ Very Calm        | ✓ Serene       |
| ✗ Very Colorful    | ✓ Vibrant      |
| ✗ Very Careful     | ✓ Cautious     |
| ✗ Very Tall        | ✓ Towering     |
| ✗ Very Bad         | ✓ Awful        |
| ✗ Very Talented    | ✓ Gifted       |
| ✗ Very Expensive   | ✓ Costly       |
| ✗ Very Frightening | ✓ Terrifying   |
| ✗ Very Exciting    | ✓ Exhilarating |
| ✗ Very Simple      | ✓ Basic        |
| ✗ Very Important   | ✓ Crucial      |
| ✗ Very Weak        | ✓ Frail        |
| ✗ Very Thirsty     | ✓ Parched      |
| ✗ Very Clear       | ✓ Obvious      |
| ✗ Very Large       | ✓ Huge         |
| ✗ Very Skinny      | ✓ Skeletal     |
| ✗ Very Cold        | ✓ Freezing     |
| ✗ Very Interesting | ✓ Captivating  |