



Passive - participial adjectives -ed vs. -ing

Describing the cause or the receiver of emotion

The clown was entertaining the family. (<http://www.grammar-quizzes.com/passive3a.html>)

-ING	-ED
Cause of the feeling or emotion (formed from the active verb)	Receiver of the feeling or emotion (formed from the passive verb)
	
The clown was entertaining. (present participle)	The family was entertained. (past participle)

CAUSE OF THE FEELING		RECEIVER OF THE FEELING	
alarming	frustrating	alarmed	frustrated
amusing	humiliating	amused	humiliated
annoying	interesting	annoyed	interested
boring	intriguing	bored	intrigued
concerning	overwhelming	concerned	overwhelmed
confusing	perplexing	confused	perplexed
embarrassing	pleasing	embarrassed	pleased
encouraging	relaxing	encouraged	relaxed
energizing	satisfying	energized	satisfied
entertaining	shocking	entertained	shocked
exciting	surprising	excited	surprised
exhausting	terrifying	exhausted	terrified
frightening	tiring	frightened	tired

ERROR	FIX
I was surprising to see sheep walking on the road.	I was surprised to see sheep walking on the road.