

Lot is generally used as a means of measuring objects. When you want to express that something is so much in excess that you must bring it to notice, use 'lot'. For example, when talking about

homework, you will say 'I have a lot of homework'. This conveys that your homework, a quantifiable task, is too much. Here you can't say, 'I have very much homework'.

### **When should you use 'Very'**

Well, if you guessed that you use 'very' for signifying things that are either too much or excessive, then you are right. The right way to use 'very' is mostly in positive contexts, 'You are very pretty', 'I am very grateful' 'I love this very much', are some examples of how you can use 'very'.

### **When to use 'SO'**

Another word used in contexts like these is 'So'. It is colloquial, or something that you use a lot when communicating, but not much when writing. 'So' is used to signify something that you need to signify, but do so without passing a judgement. It isn't used for quantifying things. For example, when you say, 'Don't talk so loud' – you are trying to say that 'you should not talk as loud as you are talking right now'. It isn't a way to measure how loud the person is talking or how softly they should speak. Similarly, you use it for speaking about things that cannot be measured, or is beyond comprehension. When you say things like 'I love you so much' or 'thank you so much'. You are talking about feelings that can't be quantified, or measured.

Practice using these three words, and slowly you'll get the hang of it.

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