

STATEMENTS AND RESPONSES. AGREE OR DISAGREE.

I can type.	So can I.	I can't.
I can't use a word processor.	Neither can I.	Oh, I can!
I'm good at math.	So am I.	Gee, I'm not.
I'm not good at languages.	Neither am I.	I am!
I like office work.	So do I.	Oh, I don't!
I don't enjoy sales work.	Neither do I.	Well, I do!

- a) I don't have a driver's license.
- b) I'm not very good at writing reports.
- c) I can speak three languages.
- d) I don't like working overtime.
- e) I'm pretty good at economics.
- f) I can't type very fast.
- g) I like working on weekends.

2 Now write five statements like the ones above about yourself.

1 Choose the best response for each opinion. Then write your own response to each opinion.

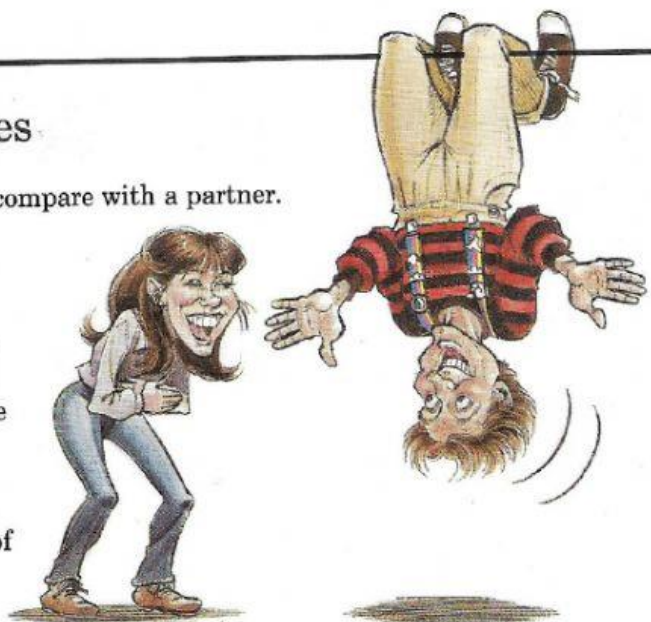
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| <p>a) I think single people have more fun than married people.
 Neither do I.
 Oh, I do.
 I think so, too.</p> | <p>d) I don't think people will ever live on the moon.
 I don't think so, either.
 Neither can I.
 Yes, I know.</p> |
| <p>b) I hate those stupid game shows on TV.
 So do I.
 I don't think so, either.
 Yes, they are.</p> | <p>e) I don't think there are many good movies these days.
 So do I.
 Neither am I.
 I don't know.</p> |
| <p>c) I think smoking should be made illegal.
 No, it isn't.
 Oh, come on!
 Yes, I disagree.</p> | <p>f) I think they should make gambling illegal.
 Oh, I do.
 I agree with you.
 I don't think so, either.</p> |

TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE.

WORD POWER: Adjectives

Match these adjectives with definitions. Then compare with a partner.

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| easygoing | is very intelligent |
| forgetful | has good manners |
| funny | always keeps a promise |
| generous | thinks deeply about things |
| polite | doesn't worry about things |
| reliable | likes giving things to people |
| serious | doesn't remember things |
| shy | likes to be around people |
| smart | likes making people laugh |
| sociable | doesn't say much in front of other people |



2 Can you give definitions for these words?

bad-tempered creative patient prejudiced talkative



- A: Have you met the new sales manager?
 B: Yes, I have.
 A: What do you think of him?
 B: Well, he seems very nice. He's very friendly, and he's always helpful.
 A: Oh, do you think so?
 B: Yes, but I think he's kind of forgetful. He never remembers my name.
 A: Yeah, you're right. He's very forgetful.
 B: Oh, do you know him?
 A: Yes, he's my husband!

10 GRAMMAR FOCUS: Adjectives and adverbs

Adjectives

He's **forgetful**.
 He's a **forgetful** man.

She's **friendly**.
 She's a **friendly** woman.

He's not **reliable**.
 He's not a **reliable** person.

Adverbs + adjectives

He's **really** forgetful.
 He's a **really** forgetful man.

She's **pretty** friendly.
 She's a **pretty** friendly woman.

She's not **very** reliable.
 She's not a **very** reliable person.

1 Use the words in parentheses to complete the sentences.
 Then compare with a partner.

- My boss is pretty and he's generous. (very, easygoing)
- My next-door neighbor is not a very person. He's kind of and very sociable. (not, friendly, shy)
- My sister is smart and she's very But she's sometimes (creative, really, forgetful)
- My best friend is a sociable person, and he's too. But he is very (funny, impatient, pretty)

2 Add “a” or “an” where necessary to these sentences.

- a) Cindy's not very reliable person. She never keeps her promises.
- b) Tim's pretty smart. He got six A's. He's excellent student.
- c) Ann's really artistic person. She paints and draws very well.
- d) Noriko's shy. She doesn't like meeting people very much. It's too bad because she's wonderful person.
- e) Chris always makes me laugh. He's very funny, but he's pretty lazy person.
- f) Simon's not very friendly man, but he's really creative.

3 Use the prefixes “un-,” “in-,” and “im-” to form the opposites of the words below.

Examples: interesting/**un**interesting direct/**in**direct
patient/**im**patient

.....dependent	lucky	practical
.....competent	mature	reliable
.....friendly	personal	sensitive
.....kind	polite	sincere

UN-	IN-	IM-

4 Write a sentence about each of these people using "She is" or "He is" and a suitable phrase below.

really generous
very forgetful

kind of serious
pretty creative

rather emotional
really outgoing

very reliable
somewhat shy

- a) Sandy is always very friendly and talkative. She loves to meet people.
- b) Liz doesn't smile or laugh a lot. She often looks worried about things.
- c) Sam has trouble remembering things. Last week, he missed an important business meeting again.
- d) I like Rosa a lot. You can trust her. If she says she's going to do something, she always does it.
- e) Dick shows his feelings very quickly. Little things often get him excited.
- f) Rick loves to give presents to friends even when it's not their birthday.

Now write about people you know who are (g) strange, (h) funny, and (i) smart.

- g)
- h)
- i)