

Describing appearance

Read the sentences below. Are they true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 You can see dimples on people's faces.
- 2 The opposite of a tanned complexion is a pale complexion.
- 3 People wear braces on their hands.
- 4 Freckles can only be seen on people's faces.
- 5 Gorgeous is the opposite of ugly.
- 6 Fair hair is the same as thin hair.
- 7 Young people usually have a lot of wrinkles.

Choose the correct answers.

- 1 A bald person
 - a wears his/her hair in bunches.
 - b doesn't need a comb.
 - c has got very short hair.
- 2 You get tanned if you
 - a go to the gym a lot.
 - b have a pale complexion.
 - c stay in the sun for some time.
- 3 You wear braces
 - a on your nose.
 - b on your teeth.
 - c in your hair.
- 4 A tubby child is
 - a plump.
 - b youngish.
 - c short-haired.
- 5 Muscular people are often
 - a tallish and skinny.
 - b overweight.
 - c broad-shouldered and slim.

Complete the sentences with the missing words.

- 1 This cream is not suitable for your __ m _ l _ i _ n – your skin is quite dry.
- 2 As a child, Lisa used to have her hair in __ n _ h _ s, tied with pink ribbons – she was so cute!
- 3 You look so __ l _ , Margaret. It's time to get a suntan.
- 4 He's the most __ n _ s _ m _ boy in our school. He could be a model, you know!
- 5 Many people nowadays want to be __ l _ - _ u _ t and admired for their strength and beauty.
- 6 I don't understand why Mark finds Rita so special; she seems quite __ a _ n to me.
- 7 Since Tom grew a b _ r _ , he's managed to save time in the morning, as he no longer needs to shave.

Choose the correct words to complete the text.

This one here is of my younger sister. She looks quite ¹*youngish* / *tallish* for her age – she's already 16, but people often think she's still at primary school. She used to have a ²*spotty* / *scarred* face, but her skin problems are over now and she looks a lot better, even though she has to wear ³*braces* / *glasses*. She also isn't as ⁴*plump* / *plain* as she used to be; in fact, she's lost some weight since she took up swimming and now she feels much better and is quite ⁵*tubby* / *skinny* now. She has beautiful ⁶*wavy* / *straight* ⁷*short-haired* / *shoulder-length* hair. I think she looks cute with these ⁸*wrinkles* / *freckles* on her nose and cheeks.

Find and correct five mistakes in the text.



At the age of 17, Nina began experimenting with her appearance. First, she dyed her hair in red and started putting make-up to school. Then she had her nose pierce and started colouring her nails black.

Her parents were horrified! It soon turned out that it was because of her boyfriend, who had



become a punk. He shaved his head and carried a long beard. Luckily, they broke up after a few weeks and Nina's looks got back to normal.
