

4A Personality and behavior

1A 4.1 Read the sentences. Then match the adjectives in **bold** in sentences 1–12 with definitions a–l. Listen and check.

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| 1 How thoughtful of George to send me a get-well card! _____ | a superior |
| 2 Britney can be so bossy ! She's always telling everyone what to do. _____ | b mature |
| 3 A clumsy waiter spilled juice all over Rick's new shirt. _____ | c unkind |
| 4 My boss is extremely unreasonable and seems to enjoy saying no to us. _____ | d passionate |
| 5 You've made your brother cry again! Why do you have to be so mean to him? _____ | e difficult to influence |
| 6 Julia can be really stubborn . It's really hard to get her to change her mind. _____ | f friendly and likeable |
| 7 Stella married a charming , good-looking man in his mid-thirties. _____ | g unfair |
| 8 I wonder why my father has been so bad-tempered recently. He's always yelling at people. _____ | h easily annoyed or made angry |
| 9 When I'm stressed out, I like watching silly movies on Netflix – nothing too complex or thought-provoking, you know. _____ | i careless |
| 10 My son is first in his class, but he's not arrogant . He says he's just like everyone else, not better than the others. _____ | j controlling |
| 11 Sue seems very enthusiastic about her new job. I've never seen her happier. _____ | k kind and considerate |
| 12 Neil is 18, but he's not responsible enough to have a car yet. I'm afraid he'll have an accident. _____ | l not serious or important; ridiculous |

B In pairs, discuss which of the adjectives in exercise 1A are usually positive.

2 4.2 Complete the expressions in **bold** with the correct form of the verbs in the box. Listen and check.

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| 1 Bob wasn't the one who came up with the original idea, but he still _____ credit for his colleague's work at last week's meeting. | 4 Gary's new at the company, so his boss makes lots of unreasonable requests and _____ advantage of him. |
| 2 Lucy's teacher said her term paper was fantastic. He really _____ her for her achievement, and even _____ her to start a Ph.D. next year. | 5 Claire and Sophie can't be roommates because Claire loves cats, while Sophie can't _____ them. She says cats _____ her crazy . |
| 3 Ron really _____ on my nerves . I can't stand his attitude. Yesterday he embarrassed me, and I'll never _____ him for doing that. | 6 Julio sometimes _____ people by constantly talking about how rich he is. Nobody likes the way he keeps _____ about his wealth. |

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