

PERSONAL QUALITIES

1 A Read about the qualities people need to do their jobs. Which jobs do you think they are talking about?

“Winning is the most important thing for me. I’ve always been **competitive**, so I love my job. I think I’m **a good leader**. It’s important that all the players know what they’re doing and it’s my job to tell them. The decisions I make are important for the whole team, so I can’t be **indecisive**.”

“I have classes of 80 to 100 children so I have to be **hard-working**. I do my best, because education is so important for the children. You need to be **a good communicator** in my job, so that you can get the children interested in what they have to learn. Often, we don’t have very many resources, so we also need to be creative and be able to **think outside the box**.”

“I’m **a risk taker**, so starting my own business wasn’t difficult for me. I’ve always been very **motivated** and **ambitious**. I start work at 4.30a.m. every day. I don’t enjoy sleep. You can’t afford to be lazy if you want to make money.”

B Match the words and phrases in bold above with the definitions 1–9.

- 1 work with a lot of effort _____
- 2 have problems making a decision _____
- 3 think differently or in a new way _____
- 4 want to be more successful than others _____
- 5 want to be successful or powerful _____
- 6 want to achieve something because it’s interesting or exciting _____
- 7 person who does things which are dangerous _____
- 8 person who has the qualities to manage a group of people _____
- 9 person who can express ideas or feelings clearly to others _____