

Vocabulary | personality

- 1** Complete the job adverts using words from the box. One of the words is not needed.

ambitious chatty easy-going hard-working
lazy open organised reserved sensitive
unreliable

New Internet design company is looking for a young, (1) _____ (wants success) person to help us increase business in our second year.

Friendly, (2) _____ (easy to talk to and talks a lot) waitress needed for local café. Experience an advantage.

Nurses needed to help look after old people in their homes. You should be (3) _____ (good at planning and doing things you have to do) and (4) _____ (think about how other people will feel*).

We are looking for a new gardener. Must be (5) _____ (wants to work hard).

Would you like to be on TV? Are you happy to talk about your relationships? We are looking for (6) _____ (happy to talk about feelings) people to be part of a new TV show. No (7) _____ (doesn't do what he/she should do) people, please.

University library needs assistant. The job is good for a quiet, (8) _____ (does not talk about feelings) person.

* this word also means 'easily upset'

Pronunciation | schwa /ə/ on unstressed syllables

- 2** a  Listen and underline the words pronounced with a schwa.

- 1 happy to talk about feelings
- 2 make lots of lists and plans
- 3 are easy to talk to and talk a lot
- 4 don't talk about feelings or problems
- 5 really want to be successful
- 6 not easily annoyed or worried by things
- 7 don't like work or physical activity

b Listen again to check your answers and repeat the phrases.

- 4** Complete the story using the correct form of the verbs in brackets.



When a woman read my palm, I didn't expect (1) _____ (learn) anything new. I don't believe in things like that and I avoid (2) _____ (look at) my horoscope. Then I met a woman in a bar who offered (3) _____ (read) my palm. At first I didn't want her (4) _____ (do) it, but then I decided (5) _____ (try) it. She promised not (6) _____ (tell) me anything terrible. She told me about the problems I had at work. She told me that I wanted (7) _____ (change) things. I really enjoyed (8) _____ (listen) to her and she seemed (9) _____ (understand) me. Then she told me I would go on a journey which would change my life. I laughed because I couldn't afford (10) _____ (travel). Two weeks later I won a holiday to the Caribbean. Can you imagine (11) _____ (win) a holiday like that? Anyway I met my husband on that holiday, so it really did change my life! I have always wanted (12) _____ (say) thank you to that woman in the bar.

Grammar | gerunds and infinitives

- 3** Choose the correct alternative.

- 1 She seemed to *think*/*thinking* that the concert was yesterday.
- 2 I've enjoyed to *talk*/*talking* to you.
- 3 We can't avoid to *meet*/*meeting* him.
- 4 He offered to *take*/*taking* us to the station.
- 5 I can't imagine to *work*/*working* without a computer.
- 6 I've decided to *change*/*changing* my job.
- 7 We considered to *move*/*moving* to the US.
- 8 They didn't expect to *find*/*finding* you here.
- 9 Do you promise not to *tell*/*telling* anyone?
- 10 I miss to *see*/*seeing* the mountains.