

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.

a) I think single people have more fun than married people.
..... Neither do I.
..... Oh, I do.
..... I think so, too.

b) I hate those stupid game shows on TV.
..... So do I.
..... I don't think so, either.
..... Yes, they are.

c) I think smoking should be made illegal.
..... No, it isn't.
..... Oh, come on!
..... Yes, I disagree.

d) I don't think people will ever live on the moon.
..... I don't think so, either.
..... Neither can I.
..... Yes, I know.

e) I don't think there are many good movies these days.
..... So do I.
..... Neither am I.
..... I don't know.

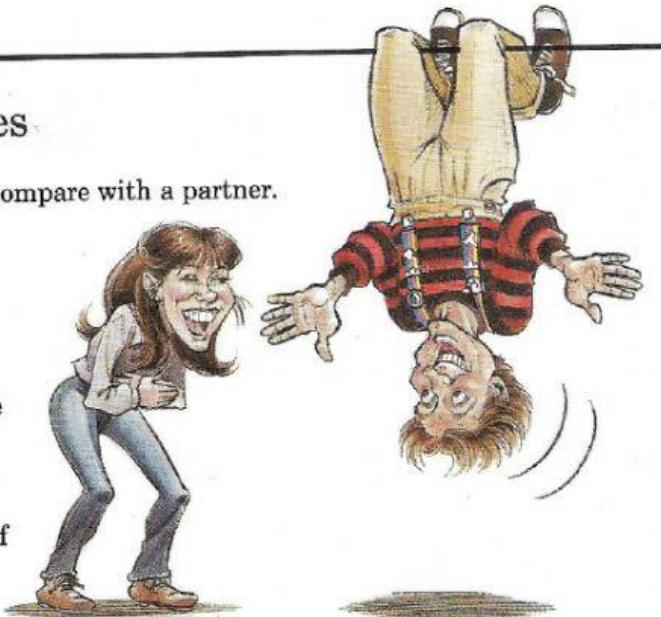
f) I think they should make gambling illegal.
..... Oh, I do.
..... I agree with you.
..... I don't think so, either.

TALKING ABOUT PEOPLE.

2 WORD POWER: Adjectives

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

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/uninteresting direct/indirect
patient/impatient

.....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)