Personality

1 WHAT ARE THEY LIKE?

a Complete the sentences with adjectives from the list.

affectionate /ə'fekʃənət/ ambitious /æm'bɪʃəs/ anxious /'æŋkʃəs/ bossy /'bɒsi/ charming /'tʃɑːmɪŋ/ competitive /kəm'petətɪv/ honest /'ɒnɪst/ imaginative /ɪ'mædʒɪnətɪv/ independent /ɪndɪ'pendənt/ insecure /ɪnsɪ'kjʊə/ mature /mə'tʃʊə/ moody /'muːdi/ patient /'peɪʃnt/ rebellious /rɪ'beljəs/ reliable /rɪ'laɪəbl/ self-confident /ˌself 'kɒnfɪdənt/ selfish /'selfɪʃ/ sensible /'sensəbl/ sensitive /'sensətɪv/ sociable /'səʊʃəbl/ spoilt /spɔɪlt/ stubborn /'stʌbən/

1 *Selfish* people think about themselves and not about other people.
2 _____ children are rude and behave badly because they are given everything they want.
3 _____ people behave like adults.
4 _____ people always tell the truth and never steal or cheat.
5 _____ people have an attractive personality and people like them.
6 _____ people have common sense and are practical.
7 _____ people are friendly and enjoy being with other people. **SYN** *outgoing*
8 _____ people are often worried or stressed.
9 _____ people have a good imagination.
10 _____ people like doing things on their own, without help.
11 _____ people like telling other people what to do.
12 _____ people are not confident about themselves.
13 _____ people can be easily hurt or offended.
14 _____ people never change their opinion or attitude about something.
15 _____ people can wait for a long time or accept difficulties without getting angry.
16 _____ people want to be successful in life.
17 _____ people are ones who you can trust or depend on. **SYN** *responsible*
18 _____ people are sure of themselves and their abilities.
19 _____ people don't like obeying rules.
20 _____ people have moods that change quickly and often.
21 _____ people always want to win.
22 _____ people show that they love or like other people very much.

b 1.22 Listen and check.

ACTIVATION Which adjectives do you think are positive?

2 NEGATIVE PREFIXES

Negative prefixes
un-, *in-*, and *dis-* are common negative prefixes. *in-* changes to *im-* (before *b*, *m*, and *p*), *ir-* (before *r*), and *il-* (before *l*).

a Which prefix do you use with these adjectives? Put them in the correct column.

~~ambitious~~ friendly honest imaginative kind mature organized patient reliable responsible selfish sensitive sociable tidy

un- / dis-	*in- / im- / ir-*
unambitious	

b 1.23 Listen and check. Which adjective + prefix has a positive meaning?

ACTIVATION Cover the columns. Say the adjectives with prefixes.

False friends: *sensible, sensitive,* and *sympathetic*
Some words in English are very similar to words in other languages, but have different meanings. Be careful with these three adjectives, which may be false friends in your language.

sensible = practical (**NOT** ~~easily upset~~)

sensitive = easily hurt (**NOT** practical)

sympathetic = kind to sb who is hurt or sad (**NOT** ~~nice, friendly~~)

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