

Vocabulary | personality

1 Choose the correct word to complete the sentences.

- She's really _____ – she'll do anything to help anyone.
- Once when I was a child, my twin brother got better birthday presents than me. I was so _____, and didn't speak to him for days!
- My piano teacher is very _____. She tells me I will be really good if I practise.
- He's a very _____ person, and is always in a good mood.
- After we had that argument, she became really _____, and didn't speak to me.
- She said she forgot my birthday, but I think she's just too _____ to buy a present!
- We are looking for a hardworking, _____ person to join our team of nurses at Free United Hospital.
- My work colleague Paul is very _____, and always fun to be around.

2 Choose the correct answer, a or b.

- If someone is *sulky*, what does this mean?
 - They are in a bad mood, and might not speak to you.
 - They want to help people.
- Someone who is *upbeat* is ...
 - helpful and kind.
 - cheerful and positive about life.
- Two words with opposite meanings are ...
 - generous* and *mean*.
 - upbeat* and *dependable*.
- Someone who thinks of themselves before they think of someone else is ...
 - selfish.
 - jealous.
- A person who helps someone else to feel more confident is ...
 - encouraging.
 - dependable.

Pronunciation | sounds and spelling: ea

3 a Each sentence has four words with 'ea'. Three of them have the same sound, and one of them has a different sound. Click on the one with the different sound.

She only buys **cheap meat** – she's **really mean**.

- The teacher was upbeat about her heart disease.
- I'm fearful that it will take a year to clear this frozen meat.
- I'm jealous, because each day you have a healthier breakfast than me.
- My colleague realised she had ear problems when she was in the theatre.
- I've read that the weather is very pleasant every season in the Canary Isles.

b 3 Listen and check.

c Complete the table with the 'ea' words in exercise 3a according to their sounds. Listen again and check.

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cheap meat mean		really	

How to... | start a conversation with a stranger

4 Complete the conversation starters with a word from the box.

are couldn't Do do Have haven't

- Hello, we _____ met, have we? I'm Anthony.
- So _____ you enjoying the party?
- _____ you tried these snacks?
- Sorry, I _____ help overhearing. You said you've just been to Delhi?
- _____ you know many people here?
- So what _____ you think of this music?



5 Match the conversation starters (1–6) in exercise 4 with the replies (a–f).

- To be honest, I think it's a bit too loud!
- Yes, I am. There's a great buffet, isn't there?
- No, I don't think we have. My name's Ivan.
- No, I haven't actually. But they look delicious – what are they?
- Not really. Just the hosts, and a couple of their friends. What about you?
- Yes, that's right. I was there on holiday. It's an amazing place. Have you been?