

DESCRIBING PEOPLE- Worksheet



1. Match the descriptions to the people in the pictures:

- a) He is in his forties. He is overweight and is going bald.
- b) He's got a dark complexion and is of medium-height.
- c) He is rather old, has no hair and has got a few wrinkles.
- d) He is tall and athletic. He wears glasses and has got a moustache.
- e) She is slender and quite tall. Her hair is curly.
- f) He is young, in his twenties. He is well built and has long hair.



2. What country can you associate each picture with?



3. Read the following texts:

- a) Hi, my name is William, but my friends call me Willie. I am 66 years old. I'm from Scotland but now I live in the United States. I work as a groundskeeper and janitor at Springfield Elementary School. I get angry easily but I'm really proud of my red hair and Scottish accent.

- b) Hello, I'm Üter and I'm German. I don't live in Springfield, I am an exchange student. I study American English here but I live in Germany. I love sweets, chocolate and lollipops. I would like to get many friends here in Springfield.
- c) Hello, I'm "Fat Tony" but my real name is Antonio D'Amico. I was born in Italy but now I work in Springfield. I was born and raised in a very poor family. Now I am the leader of the Springfield Maffia. Most people don't trust me, they think that I am corrupt.
- d) Hi, I am Maud Flanders. I'm from France but I live in Springfield with my husband Ned and my two children Rod and Todd. I love taking care of my boys.
- e) Hello! My name is Milhouse, I am ten years old and I am Bart's best friend. I was born in Holland. I am nearsighted and I have to wear very thick glasses. People think that I am not too intelligent, even my friend Bart makes stupid jokes with me.
- f) Hello! My name is Akira and I'm from Japan. I work in a restaurant in Springfield and I teach martial arts to children.
- g) Hello! We are Apu and Manjula. We are from India and we have got eight children; four girls and four boys. We live now in Springfield in the United States. Apu is always polite with his customers, but he is obsessed with his work. He once cheated on his wife, that is why Manjula is very jealous on him.

4. Read the sentences and mark them as TRUE or FALSE:

- a) Willie is from Ireland.
- b) Fat Tony is not from Italy.
- c) Maud Flanders is from France.
- d) Milhouse isn't from Spain.
- e) Üter is from Germany.
- f) Apu and Manjula are from India.
- g) Akira is not from Japan.

5. Write the nationalities, as in the example:

Üter is from Germany.	He is German.
Willie is from....	
Maud is from...	
Akira is from...	
Fat Tony is from...	

Apu and Manjula are from....	
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6. Answer the questions:

Is Akira from China? No, he is not. He is from Japan. He is Japanese.

Is Milhouse from Holland?

Is Maude from Spain?

Are Manjula and Apu from Greece?

Is Üter from Germany?

Is Willie from the United Kingdom?

Is Fat Tony from Italy?

7. Match the adjectives to the corresponding headings:

general appearance	tall, short, of medium height
age	fat, plump, well-built, slim, thin, of medium build
height	green, blue, black, brown, big, small, lined
build	handsome, good-looking, pretty, attractive, beautiful, plain, ugly
eyes	beard, moustache, glasses, bald, wrinkles, dark/light complexion
hair	young, middle-aged, old, in his early/mid/late thirties
other features	short, long, wavy, curly, straight, fair, light/dark brown

8. Describing character:

impulsive	I get angry easily. (Willie)
workaholic	He is obsessed with his work. (Apu)
polite	He always greets everyone and speaks nicely with the customers. (Apu)
naive	I always believe that people tell the truth and I think that their intentions are good. (Milhouse)
jealous	Sometimes I am upset and angry because Apu is interested in other women. (Manjula)

sweet-tooth	I love eating sweet foods, especially sweets and chocolate. (Üter)
friendly	I am kind with people and I would like to have many friends. (Üter)
irresponsible	Sometimes I don't pay enough attention when I drive the school bus. (Otto)
caring	I love taking care of my boys. (Maude)
honest	I am unable to tell lies and I am deeply religious. (Ned Flanders)
helpful	I always help people. (Ned Flanders)
dishonest	People do not trust me, because they think that I am corrupt. (Fat Tony)

9. Write the profile of the following characters by answering these questions:

What's his/her name?	His/her name is.....
How old is he/she?	He's/ she's.....
Where is he/she from?	He's/ she's from... He's/ she's...
What does he/she look like?	
What is he/she like?	