6 High flyers

A Describing character
I can describe people's character.

1 Complete the table.

Noun	Adjective
1 ambition	
2	cheerful
3 creativity	
4	enthusiastic
5 flexibility	
6	generous
7 honesty	
8	idealistic
9 intelligence	
10	loyal
11 maturity	
12	modest
13 optimism	
14	patient
15 pessimism	
16	punctual
17 realism	
18	self-confident
19 seriousness	
20	shy
21 sociability	
22	stubborn
23 sympathy	
24	thoughtful

2 Complete the phrases for describing personal qualities with the words below.

common   communicating   courage   energy
initiative   lack   sense   skills

1 have a good [   ] of humour
2 have lots of / no [   ] sense
3 have good organisational [   ]
4 [   ] self-confidence
5 have physical [   ]
6 be good at [   ]
7 show lots of [   ]
8 have lots of [   ]

3 Complete the sentences with adjectives and phrases from exercises 1 and 2.

1 Sue is very [   ]. She always thinks things will get worse.
2 Harry loves telling jokes. He has [   ].
3 Try to be [   ]. It isn't good to be late.
4 She always tells the truth. She's very [   ].
5 She's always telling everyone how clever she is. She isn't very [   ].
6 He loves being with other people. He's the most [   ] person I know!
7 She loves dangerous sports. She has great [   ].
8 I can talk to her about my problems. She always listens. She's very [   ].
9 He always knows what to do. You don't need to tell him. He [   ].

4 🔊 1.16 Listen to three people describing a friend or family member. Choose two adjectives below that best describe the people. There are two extra adjectives.

ambitious   cheerful   generous   intelligent
optimistic   patient   punctual   serious

1 [   ] and [   ]
2 [   ] and [   ]
3 [   ] and [   ]

5 🔊 1.16 Listen again. Match the descriptions 1–3 with sentences A–D. There is one extra sentence.

This person:
A shows lots of initiative in planning his / her future. ☐
B lacks confidence in social situations. ☐
C has the opposite personality to the speaker. ☐
D likes to pass on knowledge to others. ☐

6 Write a short text describing someone you know. Give examples that show their personality.

My brother is very creative. He's really good at drawing and painting. He's also a bit …

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