

Negative Prefixes for Adjectives

A Match the prefixes to the words (1–22) to make negative adjectives.

	dis-	il-	im-	in-	ir-	un-
1	_____acceptable			12	_____legal	
2	_____appropriate			13	_____logical	
3	_____certain			14	_____organized	
4	_____comfortable			15	_____patient	
5	_____complete			16	_____perfect	
6	_____direct			17	_____polite	
7	_____flexible			18	_____possible	
8	_____formal			19	_____regular	
9	_____happy			20	_____respectful	
10	_____helpful			21	_____sensitive	
11	_____honest			22	_____stressed	

B Circle the correct option to complete each sentence.

- 1 It makes you feel *unhelpful* / *uncomfortable* / *insensitive* to be in a train or bus that is full of people.
- 2 If you are *unhappy* / *informal* / *unhelpful* about a situation at work or school, you should tell everybody exactly what you think.
- 3 It is rude and *dishonest* / *inflexible* / *insensitive* to show anger in public.
- 4 Technology has made us all more *impossible* / *impatient* / *unacceptable* than we used to be.
- 5 It is *impolite* / *illegal* / *indirect* to arrive even a few minutes late to a meeting or social gathering.
- 6 It is *uncomfortable* / *disorganized* / *impossible* to know what people from other countries might find rude or offensive.
- 7 It is disgusting to throw used gum on the sidewalk, and it should be made *illogical* / *illegal* / *informal*.
- 8 When someone gives you a gift, it is *disrespectful* / *dishonest* / *uncertain* to open it in front of them.
- 9 It is *disorganized* / *inappropriate* / *imperfect* to shout in a public place.
- 10 It's *dishonest* / *inflexible* / *informal* to tell someone you like the food they prepared if, in reality, you think it's not very good.