Vocabulary in context

Physical appearance

1 ☆ **Find 14 adjectives to describe physical appearance in the word search.**

G	E	D	N	O	L	B	J	G	K
S	O	C	S	T	R	O	N	G	H
V	T	R	U	Y	T	T	E	R	P
C	K	O	G	R	N	C	U	T	E
S	W	Q	C	E	L	I	Z	V	W
Y	V	A	W	K	O	Y	A	P	N
S	P	I	K	Y	Y	U	D	L	T
F	G	N	O	L	Y	X	S	C	P
B	A	L	D	I	A	E	T	Q	B
Y	B	L	L	A	T	D	A	R	K

2 ☆☆ **Complete the sentences with the adjectives in the box.**

attractive • bald • medium-height • medium-length • stocky • straight

1 Her hair's _____ nowadays. She used to have it short, but now it sits on her shoulders.
2 He's short and _____, with broad shoulders and big bones.
3 I think Beyoncé has a beautiful face. She's so _____
4 I'm quite short, but I look _____ with spiky hair and high-heeled shoes.
5 They're so different. John's got blonde, _____ hair but his brother has dark, curly hair.
6 My dad isn't completely _____, but he doesn't have much hair.

Personality

3 ☆☆ **Choose the correct alternative.**

1 Susie's very *arrogant/bossy*. She always knows best and never listens to anyone's advice.
2 Jan's *sensitive/sensible* and he rarely loses his calm in stressful situations.
3 Sam's over six-foot tall and very *well-built/stocky*.
4 I need someone I can really trust to do the job and I'm not sure if he's *reliable/affectionate* enough.
5 It was very *generous/loyal* of him to lend her so much money.
6 Harry gets very *determined/impatient* when people don't agree with him.

4 ☆☆☆ **Complete the article with the words in the box.**

confident • determined • energetic • generous • loyal • optimistic • patient • reliable • sensitive • shy • strong

AMAZING RACE – amazing personalities!

The Amazing Race® is a reality TV game show where 12 teams of two people race around the world for a $1 million prize. Some **(a)** _____ viewers watch it *every* week! There have been more than 30 seasons so far, but there are always similar personality types.

Husband and wife Meredith and Gretchen are an older couple. They're aren't as physically **(b)** _____ as other younger competitors, but they're **(c)** _____ – you can depend on them to do what they say. Mums Linda and Karen are very **(d)** _____ – they keep positive even when things go wrong! Rachel and Elissa are sisters. Rachel's **(e)** _____ in her abilities because she's the winner of two reality shows! She's **(f)** _____ to win, but she's not arrogant.

Cousins Leo and Jamal work well together, but Jamal says Leo is very **(g)** _____ and doesn't like it when he is criticised. Friends Corinne and Eliza are very **(h)** _____, they are always looking for fun activities.

Racers aren't usually **(i)** _____ – they're outgoing and love meeting people. They spend hours waiting at airports and stations, so they're **(j)** _____, too. Most of all they're competitive – don't expect them to be **(k)** _____ with their time to help other racers. Do you think all reality TV shows have these personality types?



Vocabulary extension ☆☆☆

5 **Match the words (1–6) to their opposite meanings (a–f).**

1	talkative	a	confident
2	outgoing	b	modest
3	arrogant	c	quiet
4	generous	d	sad
5	cheerful	e	selfish
6	nervous	f	shy

Great students' tip

Antonyms – words with opposite meanings

Remember words can have more than one antonym, e.g. the opposite for *shy* could be *confident* or *talkative*. Noting antonyms can improve your vocabulary. You can often make antonyms by adding a prefix, e.g. *unreliable* or *impatient*.

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