

VOCABULARY FOCUS

1A Character adjectives

a Read the descriptions of people's characters.
Which is personal and which is more formal?

Fred currently works as a researcher here at Bio-Tech. He's been a very ¹ member of our staff and has worked here for over ten years now. He's ² about alternative energies and this can be seen in the energy and enthusiasm he puts into his work. He's also ³, so he is never afraid to work independently or to work on difficult tasks. Finally, he's always ⁴, even when he comes across problems in his work.

We have this new colleague at work, Sheila. She's only been here for two weeks and already I don't like her very much. She's one of those ⁵ people who has a lot of plans, but she's so ⁶ about it all. She thinks she's better than everyone else. But if you try and suggest a different idea, she gets really upset. So she's a strange mix of being very sure of herself, but incredibly ⁷ at the same time. She told me that she wants to be our team leader. If she thinks that's going to happen overnight, she's really ⁸.