

Negative Prefixes

Task 1. Write the negative form of these words by adding a negative prefix: “un-“, “dis-“, “ir-“, “il-“, “in-“, or “im-“.

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| 1. ____ comfortable | 16. ____ frequent |
| 2. ____ patient | 17. ____ believable |
| 3. ____ honest | 18. ____ relevant |
| 4. ____ lucky | 19. ____ mature |
| 5. ____ formal | 20. ____ approve |
| 6. ____ possible | 21. ____ dependent |
| 7. ____ popular | 22. ____ legible |
| 8. ____ lock | 23. ____ curable |
| 9. ____ appear | 24. ____ responsible |
| 10. ____ agree | 25. ____ moral |
| 11. ____ legal | 26. ____ familiar |
| 12. ____ polite | 27. ____ accurate |
| 13. ____ like | 28. ____ regular |
| 14. ____ logical | 29. ____ grateful |
| 15. ____ convenient | 30. ____ resistible |

Task 2. . Complete the sentences by adding the correct prefix for each word.

1. It's rather ____ polite if you don't say 'please' a lot in English.
2. My parents are extremely generous with their time and money. They are very ____ selfish.
3. If the traffic is bad, it'll be ____ possible to get to the match on time.
4. It's ____ legal to drive along that street; it's for pedestrians only.
5. My mum thought a burglar had been in my bedroom, but it's always really ____ tidy.
6. It was completely ____ responsible of you to go away for the weekend without telling us.
7. Mike's pretty ____ happy about going on holiday with his girlfriend's parents.

8. I never know when to expect the post. It's so ____ regular.
9. Taking a large suitcase on a walking holiday is a bit ____ practical.

Task 3. Use the negative prefixes and the adjectives given to complete the sentences.

possible honest sociable patient legal responsible
pleasant polite

1. My aunt's children are so _____. They never say please and thank you.
2. Tim's really _____. He never tells the truth.
3. I wish I wasn't so _____, but I really don't like going out or talking to new people.
4. Don't be so _____. I'll be ready in 5 minutes.
5. Liz can be really _____ sometimes. She seems like upsetting people.
6. This maths problem is _____. I can't do it.
7. I wouldn't ask Jack to look after my little brother. He's too _____.
8. In Britain, it's _____ to drive under the age of 17.