# 8.2 Gen X, Gen Y, Gen Z

### Vocabulary describing people

M	atch sentences 1-	8 to	words a-h.					
1	No matter how hashe refusesq_		you try to persuade Claire to do something,					
2	Geoff isn't the so	ort o	f person you can trust to do the right thing. k about the consequences of his actions					
3		hose	people who is knowledgeable about all sorts					
4	The thing about Jenny is that it's all about her. She never thinks about other people's needs or feelings							
5	I can always rely on Sasha to support me, even when I'm in the wrong							
	Alex is very quick to find fault with things and tell you what he doesn't like about them							
7	Samantha clearly thinks she's better and more important than others around her, and can be quite rude, too							
8	Craig is able to a	ccep	ot things as they are – he isn't over-optimistic.					
a	arrogant	e	realistic					
b	critical f self-centred							
С	irresponsible	g	stubborn					
d	loyal	h	well-informed					
U	nscramble the wo	rds	in bold to complete the conversations.					
1	A Emily always	gets	so tense and anxious about everything.					
	B True, she isn't very, is she? syea-nggoi							
2	A Ted's quite unusual in the way he thinks and behaves, isn't he?							
	B Yes, he's not a	t all	convonalenti					
3	A Jack is quite i							
	B True, he need	ls to	be a bit more flse-centdonfi					
4	A Katy is pretty	goo	d at fixing computer issues, isn't she?					
			ost people I know. tche-vysav					
5	new ideas, is	she?	nd of person who doesn't listen to or accept					
	B Not at all. She's really enop-demdin							
6			ves around his kids, doesn't it?					
	B Yes, he's very flimay-fusoced							
7			tor has two Masters degrees?					
	B No, I didn't k	now	he was that! elwl ecateddu					

## **PRONUNCIATION** word stress in compound adjectives

- 3a 8.3 ) Listen and underline the word with the strongest stress in these compound adjectives. In two of them, there is equal stress on both words.
  - 1 easy-going
  - 2 self-confident
  - 3 well educated
  - 4 self-centred
  - 5 tech-savvy
  - 6 well informed
  - 7 open-minded
  - 8 family-focused
  - b Complete the rules about word stress in compound adjectives.
    - 1 When the first word is an adjective or adverb and the second word ends in -ed, the stress is on the first / second word.
    - 2 When the first word is *self*, the stress is on the *first / second* word.
    - 3 When the first word is a noun, the stress is on both words / the second word.
- STUDY TIP Note that if a compound adjective is followed by a noun, both words in the compound adjective have equal stress. Compare he's self-centred and he's a self-centred person.
- c 8.3 ) Listen again to the compound adjectives in exercise 3a. Pause the listening and repeat the words.



## Grammar participle clauses

4 Complete the article with the correct participle form of the verbs in brackets.

Four generations in the					
same workplace by 2030					
Imagine a thirty-year-old 1_managing_ (manage) someone twice his age or a university graduate 2(work) for someone old enough to	Is this likely to lead to problems caused by differences in attitudes between the generations?				
be her grandfather. Then consider what a team  (consist) of four generations would	Not according to the results of another major survey of 3,000 employees and 900 employers. This survey,  (call) 'Managing an age-diverse				
be like. This is the working environment 4(predict) for the future, according to a recent UK study.	workforce', found that employers and employees very much welcomed the benefits <sup>10</sup>				
The Future of Work study, <sup>5</sup> (conduct) by the UK Commission for Skills, suggests that an aging	(offer) by a multi-generational workplace. Employers commented on benefits 11(include)				
population, 6 (combine) with improved	knowledge-sharing and improved customer service,				
health, will create four-generation or 4G offices	while employees claim to enjoy the new perspective				
7 (make) up of staff in their 70s and 80s	and fresh ideas 12 (inspire) by working				

 ${\small 5}\>\>\>\>\> Complete the sentences with the correct participle form of the verbs in the box.$ 

E	ook come contain leave sing situate <del>stand</del> take					
1	There was a crowd of people <u>standing</u> outside the building.					
2	Any luggage unattended will be removed.					
3	Tickets in advance can be collected from the box office.					
4	There's a burning smell from the kitchen.					
5	He won't eat anything meat.					
6	All you could hear was the birds					
7	This photo, when I was in Greece, is one of my favourites.					
8	The apartments at the back of the building have the best views.					
Jo	in the sentences to make one sentence.					
1	I almost didn't hear the phone. It was ringing.					
2	The meeting has been cancelled. It was scheduled for 10 a.m. tomorrow.					
3	I am sure I recognize that woman. She is waiting at the bus stop.					
4	The mountain climber was reported missing two days ago. He has now been found safe and sound.					
5	There was a lot of rubbish. It had been left on the beach.					
6	We saw some wonderful paintings at the gallery. They were painted by Rembrandt.					
7	I found a wallet on the street. It contained over £200 in cash.					
8	There was a huge storm. It resulted in many fallen trees.					

can	Very well	Quite well	More practice
describe people.	0	0	0
use participle clauses.	0	0	0

