

Word building: Evaluating adjectives

1 For the adjectives 1–14 below, create synonyms using the words in the box.

in- im- un- -less

Example:

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| 1 <u>im</u> practical | 2 <u> </u> significant |
| 3 <u> </u> appealing | 4 <u> </u> appropriate |
| 5 <u> </u> acceptable | 6 <u> </u> effective |
| 7 <u> </u> perfect | 8 <u> </u> hope |
| 9 <u> </u> use | 10 <u> </u> important |
| 11 <u> </u> necessary | 12 <u> </u> inspiring |
| 13 <u> </u> convenient | 14 <u> </u> valuable |

2 Complete the sentences with the words in brackets. Use a prefix or suffix when needed.

- 1 The answer is _____. It's not possible to make it work. (practical)
- 2 It was the _____ solution. It worked exactly how we wanted it to. (perfect)
- 3 The idea is _____ to many governments because ultimately it saves the country money. (appealing)
- 4 Many people find the committee members _____ and want to replace them. (effective)
- 5 The situation is _____. I don't think any of those solutions would work. (hope)
- 6 Technology quickly becomes _____ and obsolete. (use)
- 7 This kind of behaviour is _____ in my country. You would offend a lot of people. (acceptable)
- 8 It was one of the most _____ technological developments of the last century. It had such a major impact on our society. (significant)
- 9 The internet was one of the most _____ developments of the last century. It changed so many aspects of how we work and live. (important)
- 10 Not all technological developments are _____. (necessary)
- 11 A good product with an _____ design can easily fail to become a success. (inspiring)
- 12 The internet has made _____ tasks, such as banking, much easier. (convenient)
- 13 Many technological developments, such as the invention of cars and planes, and the introduction of factories, have been _____ to the environment. (harm)
- 14 Using social media at work is _____. It should be kept to your private life. (appropriate)

