

# Describing people

## VOCABULARY BANK

### 1 APPEARANCE

a Match the sentences and pictures.



What does he / she look like?

- ☐ She has curly red hair.
- ☐ She has long straight hair.
- ☐ She has big blue eyes.
- ☐ She has dark wavy hair.
- ☐ He has a beard and a mustache.
- ☐ He's bald.
- ☐ He's very tall and thin.
- ☐ He's short and a little overweight.
- ☐ He's medium height and slim.

b 110 Listen and check.



**thin or slim? fat or overweight?**

*Thin* and *slim* are both the opposite of *fat*, but *slim* = thin in an attractive way.

*Fat* is not very polite. It is more polite to say someone is (a little) *overweight*.

**Using two adjectives together**

We often use two adjectives together (without *and*) to describe hair or eyes, e.g., *She has long curly hair* or *He has big brown eyes*. Adjectives go in this order: **size>style>color noun**.

### 2 PERSONALITY

a Match the adjectives with the definitions.

What's he like? What's she like?

friendly /'frendli/ funny /'fʌni/ generous /dʒenərəs/ kind /kaɪnd/  
lazy /'leɪzi/ shy /ʃaɪ/ smart /smɑːt/ talkative /'tɒkətɪv/

|                                                                                               | Adjective       | Opposite |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| 1 A person who is open and warm is                                                            | <u>friendly</u> |          |
| 2 A person who talks a lot is                                                                 |                 |          |
| 3 A person who likes giving people things is                                                  |                 |          |
| 4 A person who is friendly and good to other people is                                        |                 |          |
| 5 A person who doesn't want to work is                                                        |                 |          |
| 6 A person who makes people laugh is                                                          |                 |          |
| 7 A person who is quick at learning and understanding things is (synonym <i>intelligent</i> ) |                 |          |
| 8 A person who can't talk easily to people he / she doesn't know is                           |                 |          |

b Complete the **Opposite** column with an adjective from the list.

cheap /tʃiːp/ extrovert /'ekstrəvɜːt/  
hardworking /'hɑːdwɜːkɪŋ/ quiet /'kwaɪət/ serious /'sɪəriəs/  
stupid /'stʊpɪd/ unfriendly /ʌn'frendli/ unkind /ʌn'kaɪnd/

c 111 Listen and check.

d In pairs, ask and answer about a member of your family or a good friend.

A What does your sister look like?

B She's tall and she has short dark hair.

A What's she like?



**nice; funny or fun?**

*Nice* is a very common ⊕ adjective of personality, e.g., *He's a very nice person*. *Nice* describes a person who is friendly and kind.

A person who is *funny* makes you laugh. A person who is *fun* is a person who you have a good time with.

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