

**C** Match the adjectives (1-10) with the definitions (a-j) that describe people's character.

1. reliable	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. someone who uses their imagination and has the ability to produce something new
2. sensitive	<input type="checkbox"/>	b. someone who trusts, is sure about and believes in their own ability to do things
3. honest	<input type="checkbox"/>	c. someone who is easily hurt and/or understands other people's feelings or needs
4. self-confident	<input type="checkbox"/>	d. someone who likes spending time with other people
5. lazy	<input type="checkbox"/>	e. someone who is relaxed and happy to accept things without worrying or getting angry
6. selfish	<input type="checkbox"/>	f. someone who is very kind and helpful and gives a lot of attention to other people
7. caring	<input type="checkbox"/>	g. someone who always tells the truth and never steals or cheats
8. easy-going	<input type="checkbox"/>	h. someone whom you can trust and rely on
9. creative	<input type="checkbox"/>	i. someone who does as little as possible
10. sociable	<input type="checkbox"/>	j. someone who cares more about themselves than other people

**D** Use an appropriate word from the list below to complete each sentence.

unpredictable irresponsible flexible rebellious stubborn independent patient  
shy punctual reserved

1. It was very \_\_\_\_\_ of the babysitter to sit inside watching TV while the children were outside playing in the swimming pool.
2. You never know what Pete is going to do. He is totally \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Susan, like most teenagers her age, is very \_\_\_\_\_. She doesn't listen to anybody and it is very hard to make her obey rules.
4. Ted is \_\_\_\_\_. He doesn't show his emotions or talk about his problems.
5. Young people today must be \_\_\_\_\_ if they want to get a good job. They need to be able to adapt to new situations.
6. When Mark turned twenty-one, he got a good job and became financially \_\_\_\_\_.
7. He was too \_\_\_\_\_ to talk to anyone at the party so he left early and went home.
8. I am not particularly \_\_\_\_\_, which is my biggest flaw. I find it really hard to get anywhere on time.
9. It's difficult to be \_\_\_\_\_ when you are stuck in traffic.
10. Meg is as \_\_\_\_\_ as a mule; although she knows she's wrong, she refuses to change her mind.

**Complete the sentences with the correct adjectives.****The first letters have been given.**

- 1 Maria is a hard-working student but her sister isn't.  
She's very **I**\_\_\_\_\_.
- 2 Paul is generous and pays for everyone when we're out but Jack is the opposite. He is so **m**\_\_\_\_\_.
- 3 I'm usually **t**\_\_\_\_\_ but if I don't know people, I'm really quiet.
- 4 My sister is very **i**\_\_\_\_\_. When she wants to, she can get excellent marks without much effort.
- 5 There are two judges on the talent show. One is nice while the other is **n**\_\_\_\_\_!

### Circle the correct word.

- 1 Mary's very *sensible* / *sensitive*. She tends to think everything over and she doesn't often make stupid decisions.
- 2 He's a bit *talkative* / *bossy*. He likes telling people what to do.
- 3 Bill's wonderfully calm and *relaxed* / *reserved*. I don't think I've ever seen him lose his temper!
- 4 My sister's very *sensible* / *sensitive*. She always cries when she hears something bad has happened to someone.
- 5 Andrew's too *generous* / *ambitious*. He's never satisfied unless he's the best.
- 6 Diane is very *friendly* / *nasty*. She's usually the first one to talk to newcomers at school and help them.
- 7 Chris is a loyal, *polite* / *reliable* friend. I trust him completely.
- 8 They say I'm *rebellious* / *responsible*. I say I'm independent. I just don't like other people telling me what to do all the time!
- 9 Millie's very *cheerful* / *helpful* by nature. She's never sad for long.
- 10 He's so dreadfully *selfless* / *selfish*! He never thinks of anyone but himself.

### Match the phrases from the two columns to make definitions.

1 Brave people	a don't cheat or lie.
2 Gentle people	b hate waiting.
3 Honest people	c don't talk much.
4 Impatient people	d like the company of other people.
5 Polite people	e don't change their minds easily.
6 Quiet people	f are not easily frightened.
7 Sociable people	g say 'please' and 'thank you'.
8 Stubborn people	h are careful not to hurt anyone.

**Use these words in the sentences.**

friendly    conceited    kind    vain    hard working    gentle    moody    ambitious    shy  
quick-tempered    quiet    good fun    greedy    careless

1. I don't like Chris. He is really \_\_\_\_\_ and thinks he is the best student in the class. He is also very \_\_\_\_\_. He wears expensive clothes and loves looking at himself in the mirror.
2. Mandy is really \_\_\_\_\_, she laughs and smiles a lot. She is also very \_\_\_\_\_ and likes meeting people.
3. Kim is very \_\_\_\_\_ and often works during the breaks and after school. She is also very \_\_\_\_\_ and one day wants to be a famous dancer.
4. I feel sorry for Simon. He is very \_\_\_\_\_ especially when a girl he likes doesn't like him. He is also \_\_\_\_\_ and can get angry very easily.
5. I think Kate is really nice. She is very \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. She likes helping people and never gets angry.
6. Alice is very \_\_\_\_\_. She blushes very easily. She is very \_\_\_\_\_ and doesn't like talking much.
7. Jane doesn't give any pen to her classmates, she is \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Tom's clothes are always dirty. He is very \_\_\_\_\_.

 **1.26** Listen to three people describing a friend or family member. Choose two adjectives below that best describe the people. There are two extra adjectives.

ambitious    cheerful    generous    intelligent  
optimistic    patient    punctual    serious

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

 **1.26** Listen again. Match the descriptions 1–3 with sentences A–D. There is one extra sentence.

This person:

- A shows lots of initiative in planning his / her future.
- B lacks confidence in social situations.
- C has the opposite personality to the speaker.
- D likes to pass on knowledge to others.