



VOCABULARY
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People and behaviour

Underline the most suitable word or phrase.

- a) Please don't push. It's very *bad-tempered/rude/unsympathetic*.
- b) Jack hates spending money. He's rather *frank/greedy/mean*.
- c) Our teacher is very *proud/strict/tolerant* and won't let us talk in class.
- d) Helen never does her homework. She is rather *gentle/lazy/reliable*.
- e) I didn't talk to anyone at the party because I felt *ambitious/lonely/shy*.
- f) When Harry saw his girlfriend dancing with Paul he felt *jealous/selfish/sentimental*.
- g) I don't like people who are noisy and *aggressive/courageous/sociable*.
- h) Thanks for bringing us a present. It was very *adorable/grateful/thoughtful* of you.
- i) Teresa never gets angry with the children. She is very *brave/patient/pleasant*.
- j) Tom always pays for everyone when we go out. He's so *cheerful/generous/honest*.

2 Match the words in the box with the descriptions (a-l). Use each word once only.

bad-tempered	determined	lazy	reliable	cheerful	frank	mean
selfish	considerate	honest	punctual	sympathetic		

- a) You always arrive on time. *punctual.*
- b) You are always happy.....
- c) You do what you say you will do.....
- d) You say exactly what you think.....
- e) You don't think about the needs of others.....
- f) You have a strong wish to get what you want.....
- g) You are unkind, or not willing to spend money.....
- h) You easily become angry with others.....
- i) You think about the needs of others.....
- j) You tell the truth and obey the law.....
- k) You understand the feelings of others.....
- l) You try to avoid work if you can.....

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3 Complete each sentence with a word from the box. Use each word once only.

ambitious greedy polite ~~social~~ brave imaginative proud
stubborn grateful kind snobbish tolerant

- a) I think I'll stay here on my own, I'm not feeling very... *social* ... today.
- b) Diana wants to get to the top in her company. She is very.....
- c) It's not.....to stare at people and say nothing!
- d) I think you have to be very.....to write a novel.
- e) Thank you for helping me. It was very..... of you.
- f) Peter refuses to change his mind, although he is wrong. He's
so.....
- g) It was very.....of Sheila to put out the fire on her own.
- h) Our neighbours look down on us. They are a bit.....
- i) Don't eat all the cakes! You really are becoming.....!
- j) If you lend me the money, I'll be very.....
- k) I am very..... of my new motorbike.
- l) My parents don't mind my crazy hairstyle. They are very.....

4 Use the word given in capitals at the end of each line to form a word that fits in the space in the same line.

Jack's real character

How easy is it to understand another person's character?

My friend Jack, was once a rather (1) *annoying*.. person. He was ANNOY
always getting into trouble at school because he was so (2)..... OBEY
In class he was very (3)..... and never stopped making TALK
jokes. The teachers all told him he was (4)..... because POLITE
he interrupted them. When I met him he was very (5)..... FRIEND
and didn't want to talk to me at all. People told me that he
stole things, and that he was (6)..... His school work HONEST
was terrible. He didn't take any (7)..... in his writing, he PROUD
never spent enough time doing his homework, and he
was not at all (8)..... One day he saw a gang of boys CONSCIENCE
attacking an old man. Jack hated (9)..... and he fought VIOLENT
them all until they ran away. He was awarded a medal
for (10)..... After that, people changed their minds BRAVE
about him.