



1 WHAT ARE THEY LIKE?

a Complete the definitions with the adjectives.

affectionate /ə'fekʃənət/ aggressive /ə'ɡresɪv/
 ambitious /æm'bɪʃəs/ anxious /'æŋkʃəs/ bossy /'bɒsi/
 charming /tʃɑːmɪŋ/ competitive /kəm'petətɪv/
 independent /ɪndɪ'pendənt/ jealous /'dʒeləs/
 moody /'mudi/ rebellious /rɪ'bɛljəs/ reliable /rɪ'laɪəbl/
 selfish /'selfɪʃ/ sensible /'sensəbl/ sensitive /'sensətɪv/
 sociable /'soʊʃəbl/ spoiled /spɔɪld/ stubborn /'stʌbərn/

- 1 Selfish people think about themselves and not about other people.
- 2 A _____ person always wants to win.
- 3 _____ children behave badly because they are given everything they want.
- 4 An _____ person gets angry quickly and likes fighting and arguing.
- 5 _____ people have an attractive personality and make people like them.
- 6 A _____ person has common sense and is practical.
- 7 A _____ person is friendly and enjoys being with other people.
- 8 _____ people are often worried or stressed.
- 9 A _____ person is happy one minute and sad the next, and is often bad-tempered.
- 10 _____ people like doing things on their own, without help.
- 11 A _____ person likes giving orders to other people.
- 12 An _____ person shows that he or she loves or likes people very much.
- 13 A _____ person thinks that someone loves another person more than him or her, or wants what other people have.
- 14 A _____ person can be easily hurt or offended.
- 15 An _____ person wants to be successful in life.
- 16 A _____ person is someone who you can trust or depend on.
- 17 A _____ person doesn't like obeying rules.
- 18 A _____ person never changes his (or her) opinion or attitude about something.



b 123 Listen and check.

2 OPPOSITES

- a Match the adjectives and their opposites.

cheap /tʃi:p/ hardworking /hɑ:d'wɜ:kɪŋ/
outgoing /'aʊtɡoʊɪŋ/ self-confident /self 'kɒnfədənt/
stupid /'stʊpɪd/ talkative /'tɔ:kətɪv/

Opposite

generous _____
insecure _____
lazy _____
quiet _____
shy _____
smart _____

- b (1 24)) Listen and check. Then cover the opposites and test yourself.

3 NEGATIVE PREFIXES

- a Which prefix do you use with these adjectives? Put them in the correct column.

ambitious clean friendly honest imaginative
kind mature organized patient reliable
responsible selfish sensitive sociable

un- / dis-

im- / ir- / in-

unambitious

- b (1 25)) Listen and check. Which of the new adjectives has a positive meaning?

- c Cover the columns. Test yourself.

False friends

Some words in English are very similar to words in other languages, but have different meanings.

Sensible looks very similar to *sensible* in Spanish and French, but in fact in English it means someone who has common sense and is practical. The Spanish / French word *sensible* translates as **sensitive** in English (to describe a person who is easily hurt).

Sympathetic does not mean the same as *sempatik* in Turkish (which mean **nice, friendly**). In English, **sympathetic** means a person who understands other people's feelings, e.g., *My best friend was very sympathetic when I failed my exam last week.*

