

1 WHAT ARE THEY LIKE?

a Complete the sentences with adjectives from the list.

affectionate /ə'fekʃənət/ ambitious /æm'bɪʃəs/
anxious /'æŋkʃəs/ bossy /'bɒsi/ charming /tʃɑːmɪŋ/
competitive /kəm'petətɪv/ honest /'ɒnɪst/
imaginative /ɪ'mædʒɪnətɪv/ independent /ɪndɪ'pendənt/
insecure /ɪnsɪ'kjʊə/ mature /mə'tʃʊə/ moody /'muːdi/
patient /'peɪʃnt/ rebellious /rɪ'beljəs/ reliable /rɪ'laɪəbl/
self-confident /self 'kɒnfɪdənt/ selfish /'selfɪʃ/
sensible /'sensəbl/ sensitive /'sensətɪv/
sociable /'səʊsəbl/ spoilt /spɔɪlt/ stubborn /'stʌbən/

- 1 Selfish people think about themselves and not about other people.
- 2 _____ children are rude and behave badly because they are given everything they want.
- 3 _____ people behave like adults.
- 4 _____ people always tell the truth and never steal or cheat.
- 5 _____ people have an attractive personality and people like them.
- 6 _____ people have common sense and are practical.
- 7 _____ people are friendly and enjoy being with other people. **SYN** outgoing
- 8 _____ people are often worried or stressed.
- 9 _____ people have a good imagination.
- 10 _____ people like doing things on their own, without help.
- 11 _____ people like telling other people what to do
- 12 _____ people are not confident about themselves.
- 13 _____ people can be easily hurt or offended.
- 14 _____ people never change their opinion or attitude about something.
- 15 _____ people can wait for a long time or accept difficulties without getting angry.
- 16 _____ people want to be successful in life.
- 17 _____ people are ones who you can trust or depend on. **SYN** responsible
- 18 _____ people are sure of themselves and their abilities.
- 19 _____ people don't like obeying rules.
- 20 _____ people have moods that change quickly and often.
- 21 _____ people always want to win.
- 22 _____ people show that they love or like other people very much.

b Which adjectives do you think are positive?

2 NEGATIVE PREFIXES

🔍 Negative prefixes

un-, in-, and dis- are common negative prefixes.
in- changes to im- (before b, m, and p), ir- (before r),
and il- (before l).

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

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

un- / dis-	in- / im- / ir-
unambitious	

b Which adjective + prefix has a positive meaning?

c Complete the opposite adjectives in sentences 1–5.

Opposites attract



- 1 She's extroverted, but he's sh
- 2 She's generous, but he's m
- 3 She's hard-working, but he's l
- 4 She's talkative, but he's q
- 5 She's funny, but he's se

