

### Unit 1, Negative prefixes (SB p.124)

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Negative prefixes: *un-*, *in-*, *im-*, *ir-* and *dis-*.  
The prefixes *un-*, *in-*, *im-*, *ir-*, and *dis-* are negative.  
When they come before an adjective, they make its meaning opposite.  
*kind* – *unkind*   *patient* – *impatient*  
*honest* – *dishonest*   *responsible* – *irresponsible*

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**4** Choose the correct words and write in a box next to each sentence:

- 1 An **honest** / **A dishonest** person always tells the truth.
- 2 An **ambitious** / **unambitious** person tries very hard to be successful.
- 3 A **sensitive** / **An insensitive** person doesn't think about other people's feelings.
- 4 A **rational** / **An irrational** person thinks clearly and carefully.
- 5 A **loyal** / **disloyal** friend says nasty things about you when you're not there.
- 6 A **tolerant** / **An intolerant** person doesn't listen to other people's opinions.
- 7 An **active** / **inactive** person gets a lot of exercise.
- 8 A **lucky** / **An unlucky** person often has bad luck.
- 9 A **mature** / **An immature** person behaves like a child.
- 10 A **friendly** / **An unfriendly** person makes a lot of friends.

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**5** Complete the sentences. Use the adjectives below with or without the prefix *un-*.

attractive   believable   fair   fit   grateful   safe

- 1 He's very \_\_\_\_\_. He could be a model or a film star.
- 2 She's very \_\_\_\_\_. She can run ten kilometres.
- 3 Don't touch that electric cable. It's \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4 Thanks for the present. I'm very \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5 England are beating Brazil 8–0. That's \_\_\_\_\_!
- 6 My parents give my older sister more money than me. It's really \_\_\_\_\_.