

NEGATIVE PREFIXES

Complete the sentences with new words made from adding negative prefixes.

1. The explorers were completely (prepared) for the storm. It was (responsible) of them not to bring the right equipment.
2. These old maps of the world are (accurate), and some of the writing is (legible).
3. Private companies are (patient) to mine the minerals of the moon, but environmentalists (approve) of this idea.
4. Copernicus (proved) the theory that the planets revolve around Earth. However, other astronomers were (willing) to accept his ideas.
5. My aunt's children are so (polite) . They never say please and thank you.
6. Tim's really (honest). He never tells the truth.
7. I wish I weren't so (sociable) , but I really don't like going out or talking to new people.
8. In Britain, it's (legal) to drive under the age of 17.
9. Liz can be really (pleasant) sometimes . She seems to like upsetting people.
10. This maths problem is (possible). I can't do it.

Now, complete the sentences with a suitable negative prefix.

1. She was ... able to take the test because she was really sick.
2. I can't go out today. I just got back from vacation and I really need to ... pack.
3. Oh, my goodness! This horrible heat is going to ... hydrate the poor players.
4. Are you ... sane? If you do this jump you're going to die.
5. So you are simply going to ... regard everything I told you about him and just go on this date.
6. I find it highly ... probable that he will come to your party. He doesn't like crowds.
7. The accident caused ... reparable damage to his car.
8. The worst enemy in a relationship is ... trust.
9. I'm absolutely sure it wasn't Kate. She's ... capable of something like that.
10. I don't think the police will be able to ... arm the drug dealers.
11. Oh, Mary, you're so ... grateful! He's always done so much to help you.
12. It's extremely likely I'll do... well on this test. I didn't study a thing.
13. Her father approved of her dating John. He thinks John is a bad influence.
14. I believe this information is ... accurate. This cannot be true.
15. I don't understand anything he says; he's so ... articulate.
16. This table is ... steady. I believe one of the legs is crooked.
17. When you're done using the computer make sure to ... connect it.
18. I love Jane! She's so fun and ... complicated.
19. Oh, come on. You must agree this is absolutely moral.