

Negative Prefixes

ACTIVITY 5 (a). Look at the picture. Who is the man by his profession?



ACTIVITY 5 (b). Read the short article below. According to the author, what personal qualities does the person need to become a TV presenter? Do you agree? Why / why not?

How to become a TV presenter?

So, you want to become a TV presenter? That is awesome! Being a TV presenter can be an exciting and rewarding career, but it also takes a lot of hard work and dedication. If you are willing to put in the effort, you can definitely make your dream a reality.

First things first, you need to work on your communication skills. As a TV presenter, you will be speaking to a wide audience, so it is important to be **confident**. Practice speaking in front of a mirror or recording yourself to work on your diction. You will also need to be **friendly** and **outgoing**, as you will be interacting with guests and viewers on a regular basis.

Next, you need to be **flexible**. TV presenting can be unpredictable, and you will often need to think on your feet. Be prepared to handle unexpected situations and be open to trying new things.

Organization is key in this profession. TV presenters need to be well-prepared for their shows, so make sure you stay on top of your schedule and have all the necessary information before going live on air. Being **disorganised** or **unpunctual** can be damaging to your career.

Another important quality for a TV presenter is reliability. Your colleagues and employers need to be able to count on you to show up and do your job well. A reputation of an **unreliable** presenter will shut many doors for you in the industry.

Finally, do not be afraid to put yourself out there. Take any opportunity you can to gain experience, whether it is through volunteer work or local TV stations. The more experience you have, the more confident you will become as a TV presenter. Becoming a TV presenter may not be easy, but with the right skills and determination, it is definitely possible. Stay focused, work hard, and believe in yourself. Who knows? You could be the next big name in television!

ACTIVITY 6. Look through the text in **ACTIVITY 5 (b)** once again. Do the **highlighted** adjectives have a **positive** or a **negative** meaning? Put these personality adjectives **in the correct column** below.

Positive	Negative
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ACTIVITY 7. Study the examples below. Fill in the **gaps** or **underline the correct answer** to complete the rules.

Prefix	Rule	Example
un-	the words have suffixes -... and -...	prepar ed – un prepar ed us able – un us able
a-	the words always begin with a vowel / consonant .	s ocial – a social
dis-	the words can begin with a vowel or a	h onest – dis honest a gree – dis agree
im-	the words always begin with letters ... , ... , or ...	p erfect– im perfect b alanced – im balanced m ortal – im mortal
in-	the words have <i>the combination of</i> ... and <i>the letter</i> ... in the beginning.	a ctive – in active c orrect – in correct
il-	the words always begin with the letter ...	l egal – il legal l ogical – il logical BUT l oyal – dis loyal
ir-	the words always begin with the letter ...	r egular – ir regular

Negative Prefixes (Training)

ACTIVITY 8. Which adjectives below can have a negative prefix?

- Use the dictionary (*link: <https://www.niftyword.com/>*) to find it out.

flexible hard-working honest kind loyal organised outgoing
patient reliable sensitive shy

- Write the negative form of these adjectives by adding a negative prefix:

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ACTIVITY 9. Complete the sentences with the correct adjective from **ACTIVITY 8**.

- 1) She can be very sometimes, always interrupting people when they're talking.
- 2) He can be quite at times, not considering other people's feelings.
- 3) I would never trust her with my secrets – she's so and can't keep anything to herself.
- 4) I refuse to work with such a / an boss who never listens to anyone else's opinions.
- 5) It's so frustrating working with him because he's so and can never stick to a plan.
- 6) I find it hard to work with her, as she's so and never meets deadlines.

Speaking

ACTIVITY 10. *Describe* your personality including **modifying adverbs** (**a bit, quite, very**) and **two** adjectives from the box below using **negative prefixes** if necessary. **Give reasons** to your answer.

flexible hard-working honest kind loyal organised outgoing patient
reliable sensitive shy friendly punctual confident brave

Example:

I think I'm **punctual** *because* I'm hardly ever late, but sometimes I'm **a bit impatient** *when* I want to get something at once.

Now You!

I think I'm ... *because* ... Sometimes I'm **a bit / quite / very** ...
because / when ...