

TASK 4. PERSONALITY. Read the descriptions that two students have written about a friend. Choose the best word for each gap. ■

I used to love playing with Sam when we were kids because he's very (1) _____ so he was really good at making up exciting games to play. But he didn't enjoy being in large groups because he was very (2) _____ and he didn't like other children playing with us. He's become a bit more (3) _____ since then and as a result he's got more friends now. But we had an argument the other day because I made a joke about his clothes. He's much too (4) _____ so it's really easy to upset him. I have to be careful what I say.

I met Emma quite recently. The best thing about her is that she's great fun to be with as she's always (5) _____ and she never seems to be in a bad mood. She's always got something to say - in fact, she's the most (6) _____ person I've ever met. She never gets anxious but in some ways she's far too (7) _____ about everything. For example, she nearly always arrives late when we meet up. I don't mind that, though. The only thing I dislike about her is that she can be (8) _____ to other people - she sometimes makes fun of them, which isn't nice.

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| 1 A easy-going | B thoughtful | C imaginative |
| 2 A shy | B selfish | C hopeless |
| 3 A stubborn | B outgoing | C bossy |
| 4 A sensitive | B sensible | C sympathetic |
| 5 A caring | B cheerful | C demanding |
| 6 A talkative | B generous | C considerate |
| 7 A competitive | B lively | C relaxed |
| 8 A impatient | B unreliable | C unkind |

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Sensitive = being easily upset:

Tim is sensitive – he cries at a sad story.

Sensible = showing good judgement:

Sam is sensible – he always makes wise decisions.

Sympathetic = understanding other people's problems:

She was sympathetic when I explained why

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