

## 6A Describing character

1. Look at the photos. Which is a) the most interesting job and b) the most difficult job and why?



a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Look at the list of these nouns (lietvārdi). Make up the adjectives (īpašības vārdi) for each of them. Write in the same order!

**Describing character: nouns** ambition cheerfulness creativity  
enthusiasm flexibility generosity honesty idealism intelligence  
loyalty maturity modesty optimism patience pessimism punctuality  
realism self-confidence seriousness shyness sociability stubbornness  
sympathy thoughtfulness

**Adjective endings** -able / -ible -al -ant / -ent -astic / -istic -ed -est  
-ful -ive -ous -ual  
ambitious, cheerful, ...

1. Ambitious

2. Cheerful

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_

8. \_\_\_\_\_

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11. \_\_\_\_\_

12. \_\_\_\_\_

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16. \_\_\_\_\_

17. \_\_\_\_\_

18. \_\_\_\_\_

19. \_\_\_\_\_

20. \_\_\_\_\_

21. \_\_\_\_\_

22. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Listen and choose the 3 jobs you think the people are talking about.

**2.25** Listen to three people discussing the qualities needed for particular jobs. Which jobs are they talking about? Choose from the ones below. There are three extra jobs. Explain your choices.

hotel receptionist nurse police officer sales assistant  
sports coach teacher

4. Revise the rules:

### RECYCLE! Comparison

a Key forms:

*kinder – the kindest*

*more practical – the most practical*

*less sociable – the least sociable*

*(not) as intelligent as*

b We use double comparatives to say that something is changing.

*You're getting more and more impatient!*

c We use *the ... the* and comparatives to say that one thing changes with another.

*The more arrogant you are, the less popular you'll be.*

5.

 2.25 Read the Recycle! box. Complete the sentences with the correct form of the adjectives in brackets. Then listen again and check.

#### Dialogue 1

- 1 The \_\_\_\_\_ (sympathetic) you are, the \_\_\_\_\_ (good) you'll be at the job.
- 2 I don't think idealism is \_\_\_\_\_ (useful) as patience.
- 3 These days they have to work \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (long) hours.

#### Dialogue 2

- 4 I think that \_\_\_\_\_ (important) quality is punctuality.
- 5 You'll certainly be \_\_\_\_\_ (popular) if you can laugh at things.

#### Dialogue 3

- 6 I think patience is less \_\_\_\_\_ (important) physical courage.
- 7 Which do you think is \_\_\_\_\_ (useful) quality of the three?