Vocabulary Practice

A Label the pictures with the phrases in the box.

checked shirt · cotton T-shirt · denim jacket · dotted top · floral blouse · fur coat · lace dress · leather jacket · linen shirt · nylon anorak · plain T-shirt · rubber wellingtons · silk blouse · striped T-shirt · woollen jumper

Patterns

Materials

B Complete the text with the words in the box.

birthmark · fair · centre-parting · muscular · tanned · handsome · average · smile · talkative · spots

Appearances can be deceiving

I got talking to an incredibly (1) _____ man at last week's school reunion. He had short (2) _____ hair and his green eyes contrasted perfectly with his (3) _____ complexion. He was of (4) _____ height and had a (5) _____ body. He was very friendly and (6) _____ but when he told me his name was Norman, I couldn't remember him at all. That was until he turned around and I saw the (7) _____ on the back of his neck. It was Norman the nerd from the first row of Mathematics! He used to have long hair with a(n) (8) _____ and his skin used to be covered in (9) _____. When he turned around again, I gave him my broadest (10) _____ and realised that I wished I had befriended him back at school.

C Talk in pairs. Choose one of the people in the picture without telling your partner. Describe the person's appearance and the clothes he/she is wearing in detail. Your partner has to guess which person you are describing. Which of these people would you like to talk to? Why?

Suggested expressions

The person I'm describing is (rather/quite)... / He/She has got... / He/She is wearing... / is dressed in.../ is in his/her teens...
I would like to talk to... because he/she seems to be...

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D Are the following traits positive or negative? Write P for positive or N for negative. Then choose three traits that describe your character and give examples of how you display these traits.

1. aggressive	☐	11. ambitious	☐
2. bossy	☐	12. boring	☐
3. brave	☐	13. confident	☐
4. jealous	☐	14. creative	☐
5. calm	☐	15. determined	☐
6. absent-minded	☐	16. easy-going	☐
7. adventurous	☐	17. fearless	☐
8. cheerful	☐	18. punctual	☐
9. childish	☐	19. generous	☐
10. stubborn	☐	20. moody	☐

E Add the prefixes *dis-*, *im-*, *in-*, *ir-*, and *un-* to form the opposites of the adjectives.

NEGATIVE PREFIXES

1. ____ active	8. ____ polite
2. ____ decisive	9. ____ predictable
3. ____ dependent	10. ____ reasonable
4. ____ flexible	11. ____ reliable
5. ____ honest	12. ____ responsible
6. ____ mature	13. ____ sincere
7. ____ patient	14. ____ sociable

F Complete the sentences with the correct word *a, b, c* or *d*.

1. Alan is such a ____ person. You can always depend on him.
   a. lazy c. selfish
   b. reliable d. reserved
2. He was too ____ to talk to anyone at the party so he left early and went home.
   a. creative c. shy
   b. caring d. flexible
3. It's difficult to be ____ when you are stuck in traffic.
   a. honest c. patient
   b. unpredictable d. stubborn
4. Danny really loves making new friends. He's such a ____ child.
   a. sociable c. reserved
   b. shy d. punctual
5. Young people today must be ____ if they want to get a good job. They need to be able to adapt to new situations.
   a. lazy c. rebellious
   b. flexible d. irresponsible
6. When David turned twenty-five, he got a good job and became financially ____.
   a. rebellious c. caring
   b. reserved d. independent
7. Tony isn't particularly ____, which is his biggest flaw. He finds it really hard to get anywhere on time.
   a. punctual c. easy-going
   b. creative d. honest
8. You never know what Fiona is going to do. She is totally ____.
   a. caring c. sociable
   b. reliable d. unpredictable
9. Harry is as ____ as a mule; although he knows he's wrong, he refuses to change his mind.
   a. lazy c. punctual
   b. shy d. stubborn
10. Debbie, like most teenagers her age, is very ____. She doesn't listen to anybody and it is very hard to make her obey rules.
    a. rebellious c. caring
    b. patient d. punctual
11. It was very ____ of the babysitter to sit inside watching TV while the children were outside playing in the swimming pool.
    a. sensitive c. honest
    b. irresponsible d. caring
12. Rose is very ____. She doesn't show her emotions or talk about her problems.
    a. flexible c. reserved
    b. creative d. easy-going

LIVEWORKSHEETS