

Personalities

Pre- Advanced Kids - Lesson 5

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1. Tell your teacher what you know about Barack Obama.
2. What character traits do you think a country's president should have?
3. What do you think of your country's president?

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Human Development



Personality is what makes a person a unique person, and it is recognizable soon after birth. A child's personality has several components: temperament, environment, and character.

Describe how someone's personality changes from birth to old age.

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Listening 5.1: Power of Personalities

- 1) They say people from _____ seem introverted.
a) Europe b) Africa c) Asia
- 2) You seem extroverted if you _____.
a) speak softly b) talk with your hands c) make eye contact
- 3) In the West there is pressure to be _____.
a) open b) closed c) intrusive
- 4) British people seem more _____ than Americans.
a) extroverted b) introverted c) honest
- 5) People from North America can seem _____.
a) quaint b) brash c) cold

Discussion

- Do you think people's personality changes when they learn a different language?
- How can environment change someone's behavior?
- Do you think there might be something in languages which make people more extroverted language or a more introverted language?

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Vocabulary Exercise with Personality Words and Expressions

Extroverted
Cheerful
Intertwined
Introverted
Revert back
cultural norm

1. *People who are more shy and do not talk as much as extroverted people*
2. *When something goes back to a previous form*
3. *is a way people from one culture do things, which is often different from other cultures*
4. *is more outgoing and more expressive.*
5. *Things that are linked together and support each other.*
6. *is very happy and smiles a lot*

Vocabulary Quiz

extroverted • cheerful • intertwined • introverted • revert back • cultural norm

1. The two countries' histories are .
2. She is always happy and .
3. Shy people are .
4. It is easy to bad old habits.
5. Outgoing people are .
6. Shaking hands is the .

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Listening 5.2 : Listen to Matt talking about two people he admires and answer the questions below.

- *Who is an athlete that Matt admires? How did Matt describe him?*
- *How do you understand “**color barrier**”?*
- *When did the athlete start in Major Leagues? Tell about his first years in the League.*
- *Who is an actor that Matt admires? How did Matt describe him?*
- *How can you tell if someone is “**down-to-earth**”?*
- *Which movie is Matt’s favorite among the movies of his favorite actor?*

Discussion

- Who is your favorite athlete and why?
- Who is your favorite actor and why?
- Is there any other public figure that you admire? Tell about this person if any.

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Read and discuss the passage including the highlighted words.

What color do you prefer? The seemingly simple answer may predict your personality, at least according to a recently developed test. The new test takes sixty seconds to complete, and asks takers to order as many as fifteen colored squares **by preference**. For example, which color do you like the least, black, grey, or white? Much like other personality tests, this one can help individuals choose jobs that match their **personality profiles**. However, this test is unique because most other tests are verbal and may not translate well to other languages or cultures. The new test, **solely based** on colors, can be used all over the world.

The test has already been administered to more than 750,000 people, including more than 800 famous CEOs. The test predicted that the group of CEOs as a whole was suited for upper-management. Yet surprisingly, the test indicated that these CEOs would make good social workers, artists, and teachers. They overwhelmingly preferred magenta, red, and yellow compared to most people. According to the test, these colors mean the person isn't so much of a **perfectionist**, but is also more **emotionally unstable** than others.

As more people take the test, the results will increasingly be **refined**. This means the test will predict personalities even more effectively in the future. No one knows why or how color can predict personalities, but the answer likely lies deep within the brain and **neuroscience**. In addition, there may be alternative uses for the test too, such as detecting **psychological disorders** and other diseases like dementia. Marketers, advertisers, and other industries that use psychology are already exploring methods to use colors.

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Comprehension:

1. True or False

- The test checks only your preference for black, white, and grey.
- The test works only with native English speakers.
- CEOs who took the test would also make good artists and teachers.
- CEOs who took the test had strong characters, but were unstable.
- The test may also be used to catch problems with the brain in the future

2. How does the new personality test work?
3. Why might it be better than other personality tests?
4. What sort of colors did CEOs prefer?
5. What sort of personality traits did the CEOs have?
6. What does the article say about marketing and advertising?

Post Comprehension:

- What do you think about this personality test? Does it really work? Please explain.
- How would you feel if personality tests determined your career or what to study at school?

Lesson 4. Don't Forget to Remember



Listening 5.3 : Listen to the conversation and answer the questions.

1) What does Matt say about being punctual or late?

- a) He is very punctual.
- b) He is often late.
- c) His grandfather was punctual.
- d) Late people annoy him.

2) What does he say about being generous or stingy?

- a) He is generous.
- b) He is stingy.
- c) He does not have much money.
- d) He often gives to charity.

3) What does he say about being shy or outgoing?

- a) He is outgoing.
- b) He is shy sometimes.
- c) He likes to meet people.
- d) He hates going to parties.

4) When is Matt hardworking?

- a) At home
- b) At work
- c) When he has a goal
- d) When he need money

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Vocabulary exercise “Describing Personalities”

1. *person is unhappy because s/he has no one to talk to*
 2. *person is very sure of himself*
 3. *person is someone who knows what he wants and won't let anyone or anything stop him achieving it.*
 4. *person is very unwilling to change his mind*
 5. *person is willing to take risks and try new things*
 6. *person can resist temptation*
 7. *person is someone most people like*
 8. *person is someone you can rely on*
 9. *person exceptionally clever and skillful*
 10. *person likes to do things carefully and in detail*
 11. *person does things suddenly without thinking*
 12. *person is shy and easily embarrasses in social situations*
 13. *person tries to achieve something through hard work*
 14. *person is calm and good at controlling*
- a. adventurous
 - b. lonely
 - c. strong-minded
 - d. popular
 - e. determined
 - f. stubborn
 - g. confident
 - h. impulsive
 - i. dependable
 - j. well-adjusted
 - k. awkward
 - l. brilliant
 - m. hard-working
 - n. meticulous



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What personality should these people have?



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Critical Thinking



If you could be an inanimate object,
what would you be and why ?



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► Idioms on Personality

butter wouldn't melt in his/her mouth

A heart of gold

Down to earth

High and mighty

A couch potato

Hard as nails

A loose cannon

as stubborn as a mule

Full of hot air

A pain in the neck

1. *someone who is humble, a realistic and practical person who has sensible reactions and expectations*
2. *someone who cannot be trusted because they are unpredictable and have irresponsible behavior which can cause trouble.*
3. *someone who is unwilling to listen to reason or change their mind about something.*
4. *someone who is very unsympathetic who does not seem to care about others.*
5. *someone who thinks they are more superior than other people*
6. *a person who is full of nonsense and talks a lot without saying anything worthwhile*
7. *someone who is very kind and caring*
8. *someone who is very annoying*
9. *someone who is lazy and spends too much time in front of the TV and eating junk food.*
10. *someone who looks completely innocent but they are capable of doing naughty/unpleasant things.*

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Look at the words below and categorize them into positive, negative or both.



Positive	Negative	Both (Depending on the Situation)

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▶ **Explain the following quotations.**

“Personality has the power to open many doors, but character must keep them open”

“Humility is no substitute for a good personality.”

“It's beauty that captures your attention; personality which captures your heart.”

“We know what a person thinks not when he tells us what he thinks, but by his actions.”

“I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.”



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Express Yourself

1. Is it possible to be perfect? Why/not?
2. Is your personality closer to your mom or your dad? Why do you think so?
3. Do you think personality tests really reveal someone's personality? Why/not?
4. Talk about the following personality types. Are they good, bad, or something else? If possible, rank them from most to least desirable:
 1. serious and quiet
 2. fun-loving and frivolous
 3. analytical and ambitious
 4. enthusiastic and idealistic
5. Are genes more powerful than how you were raised? Why do you think so?
6. If you had grown up in another country, would your personality be different? If yes, how so? If no, why don't you think so?
7. Do you think birth order makes a difference in your personality?
8. If you had grown up in another generation (your parent's generation, for example), would your personality be different? If yes, how so? If no, why don't you think so?
9. If you could change one aspect of your personality or character, what would you change? Why?
10. Do you think people misunderstand your personality? Why?
11. Does your geographic location affect your personality?
12. Can a language affect someone's behaviour?
13. Do you think people's personality is interesting?
14. Do you think you have the right personality for your age and for what you do?
15. What is the importance of understanding people's personality.



The End