

Personalities

A You're extremely curious.

1 Put the letters in the correct order to make words for personality traits.

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| 1. iatsmlubo | <u>ambitious</u> | 5. rsciuuo | _____ |
| 2. bnsbrto | _____ | 6. otigugon | _____ |
| 3. eacflru | _____ | 7. udsrtonuae | _____ |
| 4. iocmittisp | _____ | 8. aieoyngsg | _____ |

2 Complete the sentences with the words for personality traits.



John sets high goals for himself. He's very
ambitious¹. He's also extremely
 _____². He loves learning
 about new things.



Celia is _____³, but she's also
 pretty _____⁴. She likes trying
 exciting sports, but she does them with attention
 to detail.



Gina doesn't have a job right now, but she seems
 OK. She always looks on the bright side, so she's
 _____⁵ about her future. She
 hardly ever worries. She's a very relaxed and
 _____⁶ person.



Daniel can be very _____⁷.
 He never changes his mind about things! But
 he's also very _____⁸.
 He's extremely friendly, so people like to be
 around him.

3 Circle the correct words to complete the conversation.

Jane: How do your children like college, Rob?

Rob: Very much, thanks. Don is carefully / extremely / ambitious. He sets high goals for himself. You know, he wants to be a pilot.

Jane: Wow. That's great. And the others?

Rob: Well, Greg fairly / really / likes college. He's early / very / outgoing. He works early / well / in groups, but he thinks it's difficult to work alone, and you have to do that a lot in college.

Jane: Well, it's good that he likes school.

Rob: And Ken is pretty / slowly / curious. He likes to learn new things, so he loves school. He's interested in many subjects, so he hasn't decided what career he wants yet.

Jane: That sounds like my son. And how's Brandon doing?

Rob: He's doing OK. He doesn't work very / well / without direction, but if you tell him what to do, he does it really / well / . Ken and Brandon go to the same college, so they help each other.

Jane: That's nice.



4 Rewrite the sentences to correct the mistakes in the order of the words.

Sometimes there is more than one mistake in the sentence.

1. Steven and Susan are curious extremely about the new student in class.

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2. Mario doesn't play well the guitar when he's nervous.

3. Tae-ho's parents are important very to him.

4. Kendra is outgoing fairly, and she makes easily new friends.

5. Pam quickly drives, but she's careful pretty.

6. Jacob slowly is moving, so he'll be late for his doctor's appointment this morning.

5 Look at the chart. Write sentences about Shan.

	easily	very	fairly	hard
1. make friends	✓			
2. ambitious			✓	
3. study during the week				✓
4. not stubborn		✓		
5. not work on the weekends				✓
6. outgoing		✓		
7. optimistic			✓	
8. not share her feelings	✓			



- Shan makes friends easily.
- She is
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

6 Complete the sentences so they are true for you. Use some of the adverbs from the box.

Example: I'm pretty ambitious. or I'm not very ambitious.

carefully	(not) extremely	pretty	slowly
completely	fairly	quickly	(not) very
easily	hard	(not) really	well

- I'm _____ ambitious.
- I'm _____ serious about learning English.
- I'm _____ optimistic about my future.
- I make new friends _____.
- I'm _____ curious about math and science.
- I work _____ when I do my homework.

B

In my opinion, ...

- 1 Complete the conversations with phrases from the box. Use each expression once. More than one answer is possible.

Don't you agree
Don't you think so

Don't you think that's true
If you ask me,

In my opinion,
Maybe it's just me, but I think



Olivia: Heather, what do you think of this statue?

Heather: Oh, it's very interesting. Don't you agree 1 _____?

Olivia: No, not really. _____ 2 _____ it's ugly.



Olivia: And look at this painting. What do you think of it?

Heather: I like it, but it's a little weird. _____ 3 _____?

Olivia: _____ 4 _____ it's pretty amazing!



Olivia: Wow. Look at this. It's great! _____ 5 _____?

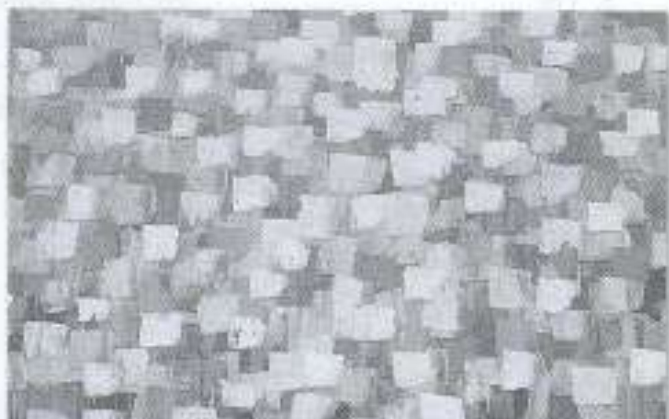
Heather: No, I don't. _____ 6 _____ it's disgusting!

- 2 What do you think? Complete the conversation with your own idea. Use an expression for giving an opinion.

Olivia: Hey, what do you think of this painting?

Heather: Oh, it's nice. Don't you agree?

You: _____



C

We've been friends for six years.

1 Look at the dictionary definitions for personality traits. Write the correct words.

1. a *greeable* _____ (*adj*) friendly and pleasing

2. c _____ (*adj*) thinking of the needs of others

3. d _____ (*adj*) making decisions quickly

4. f _____ (*adj*) treating people equally or right

5. h _____ (*adj*) truthful

6. m _____ (*adj*) behaving in a responsible way

7. p _____ (*adj*) waiting without getting annoyed

8. r _____ (*adj*) doing what is expected or promised

2 Complete the sentences with the correct words for personality traits.
Use the opposites of the words from Exercise 1.

- John is sometimes dishonest. He doesn't always tell the truth.
- Some people in the group were _____, so we didn't become friends.
- Jack is pretty _____. He didn't come to pick me up at the airport.
I had to take a taxi home.
- Amanda is 17, but she's pretty _____. She acts like she's only 12 or 13.
- Please don't be _____. I You don't have to wait much longer. I'm almost finished.
- Bob and I are often _____. We hardly ever make decisions quickly!
- Peter is a very _____ and _____ person.
He never thinks about other people's needs, and he doesn't treat people equally.

3 Complete the chart. Write the words from the box in the correct column.

✓2010	a few days	last night	two months
4:30	five hours	a long time	Wednesday
December	I was 18	quite a while	a year

I've lived here for . . .	I've known him since . . .
	2010

4 Look at the calendar and the information about Vanessa. Today is Saturday. Complete the sentences with *since*. Then rewrite them with *for*.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
got a new job	met Greg at work	had a blind date with Carlos	stopped talking to Greg	got sick

- Vanessa has had a new job since Monday.
Vanessa has had a new job for five days.
- She has known Greg _____.
- She has known Carlos _____.
- She's hasn't talked to Greg _____.
- She's been sick _____.

5 Write sentences with the words in parentheses. Use the present perfect with *for* or *since*.

1. (Yolanda / be / friends with Jenna / a long time)

Yolanda has been friends with Jenna for a long time.

2. (I / not see / Jun / three days)

3. (I / not have / an argument with my parents / I was a kid)

4. (Tom and Melissa / be / married / three years)

5. (Matt / not eat / sushi / he was in Japan)

6. (Sandra / know / Katia / 2005)

6 Read the email. Then answer the questions. Use *for* or *since*.

Dear Uncle Henry,

How are you? I'm great! As you know, I got married a week ago! I'm sorry you couldn't come to the wedding. Can you believe that I met Julie at your son's wedding in 2001?

Julie and I are on vacation now. We got to Hawaii four days ago. It's beautiful here! Unfortunately, Julie got sick on Wednesday, so we're in the doctor's office now. We got here at 1:00 p.m., and we have to wait a little longer to see the doctor. The office is pretty busy. Julie's mother called five minutes ago, and they're talking on the phone now. Julie's going to be OK. She probably had some bad seafood.

I have to go. They say I have to turn off my computer!

Take care,

Josh



1. How long has Josh been married?

He's been married for a week.

2. How long has Josh known Julie?

3. How long have Josh and Julie been in Hawaii?

4. How long has Julie been sick?

5. How long have they been in the doctor's office?

6. How long has Julie been on the phone?

D

What is your personality?

1 Read the article. Then answer the questions.

1. Which color in the article do you like best? _____
2. Are you like (or not like) the personality description for that color? _____

What does your favorite color say about your personality?

We all have a favorite color. But did you know that your favorite color might say something about your personality?



WHITE. White is a peaceful color. You like simple things. You are extremely fair, and you always tell the truth. You also want your friends to be truthful.

RED. Red is a strong color. You are outgoing and like meeting new people. You are optimistic and very ambitious. You are also decisive, and you are sometimes stubborn.

ORANGE. You are pretty easygoing and you like to be agreeable. You are curious about people and like to learn about them. You have a lot of friends. You want people to notice you, and you sometimes dress in flashy clothes!

YELLOW. Yellow is a happy color. You are very funny and have a lot of friends. You are pretty adventurous, too! But

sometimes you are not very responsible. That's not always a bad thing because taking risks is fun if you are careful.

GREEN. Green is the color of nature. You're fairly curious about the world. You like to be outdoors, and you are also adventurous. You are patient, kind, and easygoing.

BLUE. Blue is also a color in nature. Like "green" people, you are also very patient. You are reliable, and you want your friends to be considerate. You probably aren't very adventurous.

PURPLE. Purple is a color for creative people. You like music and the arts. You enjoy visiting museums and taking pictures.

BLACK. Black is a mysterious color. You have secrets. You are very curious about many different things.

2 Read the article again. Then circle the correct word to complete each sentence.

1. People who like white are honest / dishonest.
2. People who like yellow like / don't like trying new things.
3. People who like red are good / bad at making decisions.
4. People who like blue probably like / don't like trying new things.
5. People who like purple are usually creative / boring.
6. People who like black often have / don't have secrets.