Describing People

📖 Before your class ...

In your phone class, you'll look at some new vocabulary and then put it into practice. To give you a head start, take a look at the key vocabulary and then do the exercises below. If you need help with the meaning, you can consult a dictionary. You can go through the answers with your teacher during the class.

1. Match the words to the definitions.

a. bald	1. practical and realistic
b. down-to-earth	2. without hair
c. generous	3. friendly; enjoys being with people
d. good-looking	4. very thin
e. hard-working	5. selfish
f. lazy	6. physically attractive
g. mean	7. inactive; avoiding work
h. skinny	8. diligent; not lazy
i. sociable	9. kind and giving

2. Complete the sentences below with the key vocabulary on the other side of the sheet.

a. My friend is very _____. He wants to become a model.

b. She's very intelligent but _____. She should try and work harder.

c. John goes running everyday to keep _____.

d. He's so _____! He should eat more.

e. My wife is very _____. She likes to invite people to our house every weekend.

f. John never lies. He's extremely _____.

g. Maura makes me laugh. She's really _____.

h. Harry started to go _____ when he was 20.

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Starting point

1. What do you look like?
2. What are you like?

Key vocabulary

sociable

to have blue / brown / green / hazel eyes

to have black / blonde / brown / grey / red hair

down-to-earth

hard-working

mean

honest

nice

generous

funny

to be fit / in shape

fat / skinny / slim / thin

old / young

good-looking

long / short hair

bald

lazy

Key phrases

Let's look at some key phrases which will help you express yourself in the discussion section.

Although they look like each other, their personalities are totally different.

At first s/he seems quiet, but s/he is actually quite talkative.

He looks like he's around forty.

I am tall / short / medium height.

I get a lot of compliments about my …

I like people who are …

Jane looks older than her actual age.

My best quality is …

People tell me that I have nice eyes / hair / teeth.

They don't look like each other at all.

Discussion

Your teacher will ask you a series of questions related to the class topic. Include the key vocabulary and phrases in your answers.

1. What are your best friend's best qualities? And his / her worst qualities?
2. What did you look like when you were a child?
3. What is your favourite quality in a person? Why?
4. What is your least favourite quality in a person? Why?
5. Do you look like other people in your family?

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