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READING AND WRITING

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Social Psychology

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VOCABULARY

using descriptive adjectives

READING

identifying topics and main ideas

CRITICAL THINKING

generating ideas with listing

WRITING

writing simple sentences

GRAMMAR

present of *be*; simple present affirmative statements



UNIT QUESTION

What kind of person are you?

A. Discuss these questions with your classmates.

1. Your personality describes what is special about you. What is your personality? Are you a quiet person or a noisy person? Are you funny or serious?
2. What do you look like?
3. Look at the photo. Which faces look happy? Surprised? Funny? Serious? How do you feel most of the time?



B. Listen to *The Q Classroom* online. Then answer these questions.

1. Which student is a good student? Which student does not talk a lot? Which student likes to go out? Which student is a serious person?
2. Which student is most like you? Why?

iQ PRACTICE Go to the online discussion board to discuss the Unit Question with your classmates. *Practice > Unit 1 > Activity 1*

UNIT OBJECTIVE

Read the magazine article. Find information and ideas to write about your personality, appearance, and interests.

READING

OBJECTIVE ►



What Kind of Person Are You?

You are going to read a magazine article about different kinds of people. Use the article to find information and ideas for your Unit Assignment.

PREVIEW THE READING

A. **VOCABULARY** Here are some words from the reading. Read the sentences. Then circle the meaning of the underlined words.



Toshi likes to buy new clothes.



Maria is very funny.



Paulo is overweight.

1. Toshi likes to buy new clothes.
 - a. Toshi likes to buy shirts and pants.
 - b. Toshi likes to buy books and magazines.
2. Please describe your brother. Is he tall? What color is his hair?
 - a. Help your brother.
 - b. Tell me about your brother.
3. Sam is very friendly. He likes to meet new people.
 - a. Sam is kind and helpful.
 - b. Sam is quiet and shy.
4. Maria is very funny.
 - a. Maria makes people laugh.
 - b. Maria goes to parties.
5. Paulo exercises. But he's overweight.
 - a. Paulo is not strong.
 - b. Paulo is not thin.

6. They meet classmates in a new class.
 - a. They see and talk with classmates for the first time.
 - b. They work in an office.
7. Andrew is thin.
 - a. Andrew is not large.
 - b. Andrew has black hair.
8. I don't wear jeans to work.
 - a. I don't wash my jeans before work.
 - b. I don't put on jeans for work.

B. APPLY Complete the sentences with the words from Activity A. (You will not use all the words.)

1. I'm not thin. I'm _____.
2. Can you _____ your father? What does he look like?
3. I like to go shopping. I like to buy _____.
4. He likes to _____ jeans. He says they are comfortable.
5. Mary likes to _____ new people.
6. Mary is _____. She talks to everyone.

iQ PRACTICE Go online for more practice with the vocabulary.
Practice > Unit 1 > Activities 2-3

TIP FOR SUCCESS

Before you read a text, look at the title. Then look at the pictures. What do they tell you about the text?

C. PREVIEW The magazine article describes different kinds of people. Look at the photos in the article on page 6. Write one word to describe each person.

1. Carlos is _____.
2. Rob is _____.
3. Kate isn't _____.

D. QUICK WRITE Describe yourself. Answer the questions. Use this section for your Unit Assignment.

1. What do you look like? _____
2. What do you like to do? _____
3. Describe your personality. _____

WORK WITH THE READING



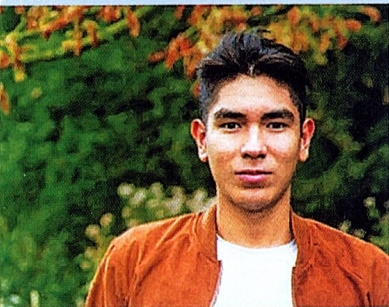
A. **INVESTIGATE** Read the magazine article. Find information about different kinds of people.

ACADEMIC LANGUAGE

The phrase *kinds of* is a common phrase in academic English. It is often used to ask for examples of something: *kinds of people, kinds of school subjects, kinds of sports.*

OPAL

Oxford Phrasal Academic Lexicon



Carlos



Rob



Kate

WHAT KIND OF PERSON ARE YOU?

This week *Talk Magazine* is asking readers questions. Read each question and the two answers. Which answer **describes** you? Check (✓) one answer for each question.

1. Are you a **friendly** person?

- ☐ Yes, I am. I have a lot of friends, and I like to **meet** new people. (James, 18)
- ☐ I'm a nice guy, but I'm quiet. I have two or three good friends. I talk to them a lot. But with other people, I'm shy. (Carlos, 23)

2. Are you interested in **fashion**?

- ☐ I usually **wear** jeans and T-shirts. I don't care about people's **clothes**. I'm more interested in someone's personality. (Hassan, 22)
- ☐ I like to dress well. I'm interested in fashion. (Matt, 21)

3. How **tall** are you?

- ☐ I'm 6 feet 3 inches (192 centimeters) tall. I play basketball for City University. (Rob, 20)
- ☐ I'm only about 5 feet 9 inches (179 centimeters). But my two brothers are both very tall—about 6 feet 5 inches (198 centimeters)! All three of us are **thin**. We aren't **overweight**. (David, 19)

4. Are you a **neat** person?

- ☐ I don't have time to clean. I go to school, and I also have a part-time job. I'm always busy! (Kate, 21)
- ☐ I'm very busy, but I clean my room every day. I'm a very neat person. (Amanda, 18)

5. Are you a **funny** person?

- ☐ I study a lot, but I also like to have fun. But I don't think I'm funny. (Sarah, 21)
- ☐ I love to laugh and tell funny stories. (Emma, 24)

6. What is your **best subject** in school?

- ☐ I'm good at math. It's my favorite subject. For some people, math is hard. For me, it is easy. (Khalid, 18)
- ☐ My best subjects are English and French. I also speak Spanish! (Pablo, 17)

B. CATEGORIZE Read the statements. Write *T* (true) or *F* (false). Then correct each false statement to make it true.

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|---|-------------------------------------|
| ___ 1. James likes to meet new people. | ___ 6. Amanda's room is neat. |
| ___ 2. Carlos is not very shy. | ___ 7. Sarah studies very hard. |
| ___ 3. Hassan is interested in clothes. | ___ 8. Emma is a funny person. |
| ___ 4. David is tall. | ___ 9. Math is not easy for Khalid. |
| ___ 5. Kate is a very neat person. | ___ 10. Pablo is good at English. |

C. IDENTIFY Match the person's name with the description.

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|---------------|--------------------------------|
| ___ 1. Hassan | a. is shy with other people |
| ___ 2. Kate | b. doesn't care about clothes |
| ___ 3. Khalid | c. plays basketball |
| ___ 4. Rob | d. is thin |
| ___ 5. Carlos | e. doesn't have time to clean |
| ___ 6. Pablo | f. studies a lot |
| ___ 7. Emma | g. likes to tell funny stories |
| ___ 8. David | h. likes math |
| ___ 9. Sarah | i. speaks French and Spanish |

D. APPLY Complete the statements. Use the words from the box.

busy	funny	neat	speaks	subject
friendly	interested	personality	studies	thin

- Amanda is a(n) _____ person.
- James is very _____.
- Math is not a difficult _____ for Khalid.
- Pablo _____ Spanish.
- Matt is _____ in fashion.
- Hassan is interested in a person's _____.
- Sarah _____ a lot.
- David and his brothers are all _____.
- Emma is _____.
- Kate is always _____.

iQ PRACTICE Go online for additional reading and comprehension.
Practice > Unit 1 > Activity 4

BUILDING VOCABULARY Using descriptive adjectives

We use **descriptive adjectives** to describe people.

Adjectives for appearance

Height: tall, short, average height

Weight: overweight, thin, average weight

Hair color: blond, brown, red, black, gray

Adjectives for personality

kind, friendly, helpful, nice

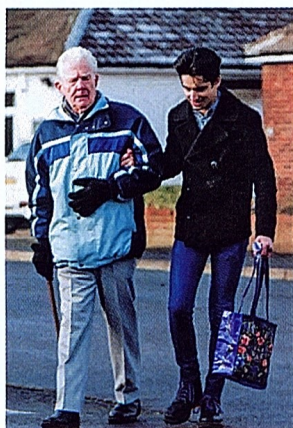
shy, quiet

smart, intelligent

funny, serious



Serious



Helpful

A. **APPLY** Circle the correct words to complete the statements.

1. He's *tall* / *thin* / *kind* because he doesn't eat a lot.
2. Talal reads a lot of books. He is very *intelligent* / *blond* / *helpful*.
3. I laughed because he is a *nice* / *friendly* / *funny* guy.
4. Aldo doesn't talk much. He is *short* / *helpful* / *shy*.
5. Sultan is a good basketball player because he is *thin* / *tall* / *blond*.
6. Aicha studies very hard. She is *helpful* / *serious* / *thin*.
7. This class is easy for her. She is *funny* / *smart* / *shy*.
8. Thank you very much. You are very *helpful* / *quiet* / *overweight*.

B. **APPLY** Match the words with their opposites.

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|-------------------|------------|
| ___ 1. friendly | a. neat |
| ___ 2. tall | b. serious |
| ___ 3. funny | c. shy |
| ___ 4. overweight | d. short |
| ___ 5. messy | e. thin |

C. **COMPOSE** What other words describe people? Write them in the chart. Then write five sentences (on the next page) using the words.

Words to describe appearance	Words to describe personality

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

iQ PRACTICE Go online for more practice with using descriptive adjectives.
Practice > Unit 1 > Activity 5

READING SKILL Identifying topics and main ideas

Every paragraph has a **topic** and a **main idea**.

- You can usually say the topic in one or two words. To identify the topic, ask this question: *What is this paragraph about?*

In this paragraph, the topic is *my brother*. The topic repeats in the paragraph.

My brother, Miteb, is very popular. Everyone likes him. Why? For one thing, he is very friendly. He laughs a lot, and he tells funny and interesting stories. He makes people happy. For these reasons, my brother has a lot of friends.

- You can usually say the main idea in a short sentence. To identify the main idea, ask this question: *What is the most important idea in this paragraph?*

In the paragraph above, the main idea is *My brother, Miteb, is very popular*. The other sentences in the paragraph explain this idea.

TIP FOR SUCCESS

The main idea is often in the first or last sentence of a paragraph, but not always.

INVESTIGATE Read the article. Then answer the questions on page 10.

Cristiano Ronaldo

- 1 Cristiano Ronaldo is a famous soccer player. He is from Portugal. He plays for a soccer team in Italy. The team is called *Juventus*.
- 2 Ronaldo is good at soccer. In his free time, he is also interested in business. He owns two clothing stores in Portugal. One store is in Lisbon, and one is in Madeira.
- 3 Each year, his team pays him \$30 million. Companies also pay him to wear their clothes and shoes. Cristiano Ronaldo is an extremely rich man.
- 4 Ronaldo is also very generous. He uses his money to help people around the world. Sometimes he gives his money to people after a flood or an earthquake. He is a nice guy!

