

Describing a Person

Meet Zendaya

Zendaya is a famous actress, singer and fashion model. Many people know her from films and television series. She became popular at a young age and has worked hard to build a successful career.

Zendaya is tall and slim, with curly dark brown hair and brown eyes. She often changes her hairstyle, and many young people admire her sense of fashion. When she appears at events, she usually looks beautiful and confident.



People often describe Zendaya as friendly, creative and hard-working. She is also determined and does not give up easily when she faces challenges. Although she is famous, many people say she is polite and kind towards others. In interviews, she speaks clearly and confidently, but she also listens carefully to other people's opinions.

In her free time, Zendaya enjoys listening to music, dancing and spending time with her family and friends. She loves travelling and learning about different cultures. She is interested in fashion and enjoys designing clothes. She also likes reading and watching films when she wants to relax.

However, Zendaya dislikes unfair behaviour and bullying. She believes that everyone should be treated with kindness and respect. For this reason, she often encourages young people to be confident, work hard and support one another.

Exercise A: Read the text and complete the table.

Personality	Appearance	Likes	Dislikes

Exercise B: Write a sentence from the text that shows that Zendaya is:

1. hard-working: _____
2. confident: _____
3. kind: _____

Exercise C: Answer the questions

1. Why do many young people admire Zendaya?

2. What does Zendaya enjoy doing in her free time?

3. What does she believe about the way people should treat others?

4. Which personality adjective best describes Zendaya? Why?

Follow-up Speaking Activity

Work with a partner.

Would you like to be friends with Zendaya? Why or why not?

Exercise: Match the adjective with the correct definition.

Adjective	Letter
1. friendly	_____
2. shy	_____
3. confident	_____
4. hard-working	_____
5. lazy	_____
6. polite	_____
7. funny	_____
8. honest	_____
9. generous	_____
10. patient	_____
11. creative	_____
12. helpful	_____
13. sociable	_____
14. trustworthy	_____
15. bad-tempered	_____

Definitions

- a. likes helping other people
- b. has many good ideas and enjoys making new things
- c. works a lot and does not give up easily
- d. speaks kindly and enjoys being with other people
- e. can wait calmly without getting angry
- f. makes people laugh
- g. tells the truth
- h. likes giving or sharing with others
- i. feels comfortable and sure of themselves
- j. has good manners and is respectful
- k. does not like working or making an effort
- l. is quiet and nervous around new people
- m. enjoys meeting and spending time with other people
- n. can be trusted; people can rely on them
- o. becomes angry or annoyed easily

Adding reasons

We can use **because** to explain personality adjectives.

- Tom is trustworthy **because he keeps all my secrets**.
- My brother is kind **because he always helps me**.
- Tom is a good friend **because he is funny and helpful**.

Exercise: Join the sentences with because

1. I like my friend. She is very kind.

2. Ben is helpful. He always helps me.

3. My sister is a funny person. She makes me laugh.

Talk about a friend

Use three adjectives that describe a friend and write sentences.

My _____ friend is _____ because _____

Prepare to write: Choose a person you know and complete the notes.

Name: _____

Age: _____

Personality: _____

Likes: _____

Why you like this person: _____

Writing task

Write a friendly email of about **60 words** describing a person. Include:

- the person's name and age;
- their personality;
- what they like;
- why you like them;
- one question for your friend.

Writing frame

Dear _____

Hi! How are you? I want to tell you about _____

He / She is _____ years old and _____

He / She has got _____

He/She is _____ because _____

Also, _____

He / She likes _____

I like him/her because _____

What is your best friend like?

Write soon,

With love
