

5A Vocabulary

Adjectives describing attitude

Activity A

Complete the sentences with the correct form of a word from the box.

responsible real organise compete thought criticism sympathy caution rely

- 1 You can't trust Jack to do what he promises. He's _____.
- 2 Sheila's very kind and shows that she cares about others. She's _____.
- 3 Matt imagines that people will work for him for nothing. He's _____.
- 4 Lila's always talking about her son's faults, never his good points. She's _____.
- 5 Lukas never deals with things clearly and sensibly. He's _____.
- 6 Jon's always wanted to be more successful than anyone else. He's _____.
- 7 Alex just isn't interested in listening to other people's problems. She's _____.
- 8 Gianna isn't reliable or sensible; she shouldn't be looking after children. She's _____.
- 9 Eliane is very careful to avoid danger; she doesn't take any risks. She's _____.

Activity B

Underline the stressed syllable in each adjective.

- 1 uncritical 2 ambitious 3 thoughtless 4 optimistic 5 reliable 6 uncompetitive
- 7 sympathetic 8 responsible 9 organised 10 realistic 11 unadventurous 12 pessimistic

Activity C

Read the job descriptions. Write down TWO adjectives from Activities A and B that the person needs to be, and ONE adjective that they shouldn't be.

a 'I stay in hotels, try out their restaurants, then write reports about them for a tourism website.'

b 'I work for a large hotel and make the arrangements for conferences and weddings, making sure that everything goes smoothly on the day.'

c 'I work in the sales department of a software company. I have a range of clients but have to investigate further potential clients in our busy industry.'

d 'I'm in the finance department of a small company. I work on the day-to-day finances and also prepare the annual accounts for the external auditors.'

e 'I'm a district nurse, and I visit people in their own homes or in care homes. I provide care for people who are often very sick or elderly.'