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Words and vocabulary to describe personality types

In this article, <u>Simply IELTS</u> will mention 90+ English words and vocabulary describing human personality with meaning and examples to know it.

You have to repeat these words and vocabularies and study well to keep it in your mind and use it daily.

If you have any doubts about any word, please mention it in the comment section and we will give you more examples. You can write examples as well in comments.



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	Vocabulary	Pronounce	Meaning	Example
1	aggressive	/ə ˈɡresiv/	attack or confront	According to the stereotype, men are typically more <i>aggressive</i> than women.
2	ambitious	/am ˈbiSHəs/	having or showing a strong desire and determination to succeed.	She is really <i>ambitious</i> , but I doubt she will ever reach the top.
3	creative	/krē ^ʿ ādiv/	a person whose job involves creative work.	Like many <i>creative</i> people, she can be extremely short- tempered.
4	careful	/ kerfəl/	making sure of avoiding potential danger	You will cut yourself with this knife if you are not <i>careful</i> .
5	easy-going	/ iː.zi goʊ.ɪŋ/	relaxed and tolerant in attitude or manner	She is a kind and easy-going boss.
6	honest	/ˈänəst/	free of deceit; truthful and sincere	I wasn't fully <i>honest</i> with him, but I didn't tell him any outright lies.
7	cautious	/ kɔː.ʃəs/	careful to avoid potential problems or dangers	He is too <i>cautious</i> to be an effective leader.
8	imaginative	/i maj(ə)nədiv/	having or showing creativity or inventiveness	She is frequently brilliantly <i>imaginative</i> when describing the writer's life.
9	kind	/kīnd/	generous, helpful, and caring about other people	It is really <i>kind</i> of you to go so far to meet me.
10	cheerful	/ ˈtʃɪə.fəl/	noticeably happy and optimistic	Despite his obstacles, he is invariably <i>cheerful</i> .
11	dependable	/də pendəb(ə)l/	deserving of trust or confidence	I require a <i>dependable</i> one to care for the children while I am at work.

12	dumb	/dəm/	lacking intelligence or stupid	Are they courageous or just <i>dumb</i> ?
13	intelligent/ smart	/in ˈteləjənt/, /smärt/	able to learn and understand things easily	He is a highly <i>intelligent</i> individual who can think creatively.
14	enthusiastic	/ɪn θjuɪ.zi ˈæs.tɪk/	feeling or showing a lot of excitement and interest about somebody/something	They were exhausted, but not any less <i>enthusiastic</i> on that account.
15	clever	/ klevər/	skillful or adroit in using the hands or body	Laura is often bragging about how <i>clever</i> her children are.
16	mercurial	/mɜː ˈkjʊə.ri.əl/	changing suddenly and often	She possessed <i>mercurial</i> mood swings and was engaging yet unpredictable.
17	generous	/'dʒenərəs/	willing to give money, help, kindness	They were quite <i>generous</i> , donating to numerous causes.
18	faithful	/'feiθful/	true to one's word, promises, vows	Jim was a <i>faithful</i> , affectionate, and considerate husband.
19	sociable, friendly	/ ˈsəʊ.ʃə.bəl/, / ´frendli/	having an attitude or acting in a way that shows that you like people and want them to like and trust you	I had a headache and was not in a <i>sociable</i> mood.
20	Lighthearted	/ laɪt hɑː.tɪd/	free from care, anxiety, or seriousness	Children are fun and <i>lighthearted</i> with the teacher.
21	introverted	/ˈɪn.trə.vɜː.tɪd/	someone who is shy, quiet, and prefers to spend time alone	She became reserved, quiet, and <i>introverted</i> when she began school.
22	extroverted	/ˈek.strə.vɜːt/	an energetic person who enjoys being with other people	An quiet student may not respond to an <i>extroverted</i> buddy.

23 tactful / tak(I)fel/ careful not to say or do anything that could upset someone They are <i>tactful</i> and attentive to their own and their friends' social needs. 24 optimistic / .opte mistik/ hopeful and confident about the future Expecting a politicina to tell you the unvarished truth is a bit optimistic. 25 pessimistic / .pese mistik/ tending to see the worst abeleve that the worst will happen I think James is way to optimistic. 26 competitive /kem pedediv/ wanting very much to win or be more successful than other people Although the two sisters have always been competitive, they are also quite supportive of one another. 27 patient / 'per.fent/ able to remain calm and not be come annoyed when waiting for a long time. They are supportive of one another. 28 confident / 'kon.fr.dent/ sure of oneself She is a confident and practiced speaker who consistently dazzles her audience. 29 humorous / 'hju:.ma.res/ funny, or making you laugh We were uncertain as to whether he was serious. 30 observant /eb 'zervent/ quick to notice or perceive things Any observant student of our economic life cannot fail to be impressed by the gravity of the situation. 31 outgoing /.aot 'geo.in/ Friendly and socially confident<					
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32	loyal	/'lɔiəl/	giving or showing firm and constant support or allegiance to a person or institution	She is extremely <i>loyal</i> to her pals.
33	open-minded	/'oupn,maindid/	willing to consider new ideas; unprejudiced	Modern physicians tend to be more <i>open-minded</i> about alternative medicine.
34	narrow- minded	/'nærou'maindid/	not willing to listen to or tolerate other people's views; prejudiced	She has such a <i>narrow-minded</i> views on that field
35	gentle	/dʒentl/	calm, kind, or soft	He is really <i>gentle</i> with his children.
36	rational	/′ræ∫ənəl/	agreeable to reason; reasonable; sensible	He has a very <i>rational</i> perspective on life.
37	sincere	/sin´siə/	Not pretending or lying; honest	Because he is so <i>sincere</i> , you always know where you stand with him.
38	polite	/pə ˈlaɪt/	Behaving in a way that is socially correct and shows respect for other people's feelings	She was <i>polite</i> , but not overly so.
39	reckless	/'reklis/	showing a lack of care about risks or danger, and acting without thinking about the results of your actions	First, individuals are prone to engage in <i>reckless</i> and hazardous activities.
40	stubborn	/ st∧bərn/	refusing to change an opinion or course of action in spite of difficulty	He was renowned for his <i>stubborn</i> resistance and unwillingness to concede defeat.
41	talkative	/ˈtɔkətɪv/	a neutral or mildly unfavorable word applied to a person who is inclined to talk a great deal, sometimes without significance	She is a vibrant, <i>talkative</i> individual.

42	understanding	/,∧ndər İstændıŋ/	sympathetically aware of other people's feelings; tolerant and forgiving	He had anticipated that she would be appalled, yet she was surprisingly <i>understanding</i> .
43	short- tempered	/´∫ɔ: ˌtempəd /	quick to lose one's temper	We are all familiar with him, therefore the situation must be dire if he becomes so <i>short-</i> <i>tempered</i> .
44	bad-tempered	/'bæd'tempəd/	easily annoyed or made angry	He's really <i>bad-</i> <i>tempered</i> . He had no business becoming a teacher.
45	<u>selfish</u>	/´selfi∫/	limited to or caring only about yourself and your own needs	She never considers anyone else; she is completely <i>selfish</i> .
46	mean	/mi:n/	offensive, selfish, or unkind	She has an extremely negative disposition toward others and is as <i>mean</i> as hell.
47	cold	/kould/	does not show much emotion	Tim is such a <i>cold</i> boy!
48	quite	/kwait/	characterized by an absence of turbulent motion or disturbance; peaceful, calm	Tiffany is a really quite student!
49	silly, stupid	/´sili/, / ˈstupɪd/	having or showing a lack of common sense or judgement; absurd and foolish	She was quite silly to quit her work in such a manner.
50	crazy	/'kreizi/	stupid or not reasonable	You would be absolutely crazy to marry that guy.
51	lazy	/'leizi/	unwilling to work or use energy	You were really lazy last semester, but we'll start fresh this term.
52	wise	/waiz/	having or showing experience, knowledge, and good judgement	You'd be wise to take a detour to avoid the road construction.

53	Supportive	/sə´pɔ:tiv/	providing encouragement or emotional help	Typically, children with supportive parents do better in school than those who do not.
54	Hard-working/ Diligent/ Industrious	/,hard'w3r k1ŋ/, / ´dilidʒənt/, /in ´d∧striəs/	characterized by steady, earnest, and energetic effort	She is very skilled and diligent.
55	Haughty	/´hɔ:ti/	unfriendly and seeming to consider yourself better than other people	Manchester was far more haughty about who might join.
56	Boast	/boust/	to speak too proudly or show too much satisfaction about something or someone connected with you	He refrained from discussing his test scores to avoid the appearance of boasting.
57	Strict	/strikt/	demanding that rules concerning behaviour are obeyed and observed	My parents were really strict with me as a child.
58	Bossy	/´bɔsi/	enjoy telling people what to do	Henry, who is very bossy, wants to be in command.
59	Childish	/'t∫aidi∫/	act immature or bratty as a child	He wasn't enjoying the occasion so he decided to spoil it for everyone else – it was really childish of him.
60	Envious	/'enviəs/	wanting something another person has	She was quite envious of her brother's accomplishments.
61	Courteous	/´kə:tiəs/	polite and showing respect	She frequently disagreed with me, yet she was always courteous.
62	Cowardly	/´kauədli/	lacking courage	He is a coward and an aggressor.
63	Gruff	/gr∧f/	rough, brusque, or stern in manner, speech, or aspect	Underneath his gruff appearance, he's a very kind man.
64	Insolent	/´insələnt/	intentionally and rudely showing no respect	What a disrespectful and insolent child!
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65	mad	/mæd/	unable to behave in a reasonable way; insane	You are mad to walk home alone at this hour.
66	unkind	/∧n′kaind/	inconsiderate and harsh to others	It was unkind of you to take the toy from him.
67	unpleasant	/∧n'plezənt/	not enjoyable or pleasant	He is short- tempered, self- centered, and an unpleasant man overall.
68	cruel	/'kru:ə(l)/	extremely unkind and unpleasant and causing pain to people or animals intentionally	Children can be exceptionally cruel to one another.
69	Stingy	/ˈstɪndʒi/	not generous, or unwilling to spend money	When we go out, he is really stingy and never buys anyone a drink.
70	Deceitful	/di´si:tful/	dishonest or hiding the truth	She is extremely deceitful and not to be trusted.
71	Arrogant	/'ærəgənt/	unpleasantly proud and behaving as if you are more important than, or know more than, other people	I cannot bear how arrogant he is!
72	Rude	/ru:d/	not polite; offensive or embarrassing	He has no manners and is rude to everyone.
73	amusing	/ə mjur.zıŋ/	entertaining and funny	Some individuals appear to find it amusing that I shattered my toe.
74	Considerate	/kən´sidərit/	careful not to inconvenience or harm others	Colleagues and friends alike mourn the loss of this thoughtful and considerate guy.
75	Adventurous	/əd´vent∫ərəs/	willing to try new, unusual, and exciting things	I am attempting to be more adventurous with my cooking.

76	aggressive	/əˈɡrɛsɪv/	behaving in an angry and violent way towards another person	She was really aggressive toward the television reporters.
77	Frank	/fræղk/	honest, sincere, and truthful, even if there is a risk of causing bad feelings	To be very frank, I do not believe she is the right person for the job.
78	Gracious	/´grei∫əs/	marked by kindness and courtesy	The losing team was gracious although they were defeated
79	Humble	/h∧mbl/	not proud or arrogant; modest	He is quite humble about his success.
80	Liberal	/´librəl/	willing to respect or accept behaviour or opinions different from one's own	Her parents were far more liberal than mine were.
81	Mischievous	/´mist∫ivəs/	behaving in a way, or describing behaviour, that is slightly bad but is not intended to cause serious harm or damage	She possesses a mischievous sense of humor.
82	Naive	/nai'i:v/	showing lack of experience or knowledge	You were naive to believe that they would listen to your proposals.
83	Romantic	/roʊˈmæntɪk	showing strong feelings of love	You used to be very romantic, but you no longer express your affection for me.
84	Tricky	/´triki/	difficult to deal with and needing careful attention or skill	He is a tricky guy.
85	Vain	/vein/	unsuccessful; of no value	He was quite vain about his hair and attire.
86	Witty	/´witi/	using words in a clever and funny way	He was really personable and witty.

87	Zealous	/'zeləs/	a strong and energetic desire	He believed the media were too zealous in their attempts to gain access to the event.
88	Merciful	/´mə:siful/	treating people with kindness and forgiveness	Sometimes, judges are more merciful than juries.
89	Malicious	/mə İı∫əs/	showing a desire to cause harm to someone	The court determined that she had not acted with malicious intent.
90	Headstrong	/´hed,strɔŋ/	very determined to do what you want without listening to others	She was a headstrong child who was constantly in trouble.

Adjectives and vocabulary describing human personality by category

NEGATIVE PERSONALITY ADJECTIVES						
aggressive	childish	inconsistent	pessimistic	superficial		
argumentative	disruptive	jealous	problematic	thoughtless		
arrogant	hostile	lazy	resentful	unmotivated		
bossy	immature	moody	sarcastic	unreliable		
callous	inconsiderate	patronizing	selfish	weak		

POSITIVE PERSONALITY ADJECTIVES					
adaptable	considerate	encouraging	happy	responsible	
active	convivial	empathetic	helpful	self-motivated	
affable	curious	enthusiastic	mature	sensible	
agreeable	diplomatic	excellent	motivated	sincere	
assertive	eager	friendly	optimistic	trustworthy	

ADJECTIVES TO DESCRIBE PERSONALITY TRAITS						
adventurous	empathetic	introverted	precise	steadfast		
analytical	extroverted	laid-back	quiet	supportive		
cheerful	focused	mischievous	reflective	talkative		
collaborative	gregarious	open	reserved	thoughful		
cynical	hopeful	practical	shy	witty		

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