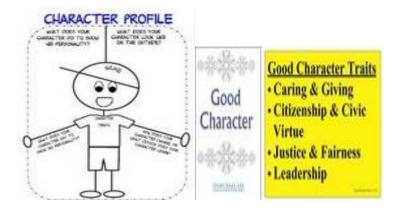
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### Character



## Dialogue

- A. How do you think people get their personalities?
- B. I think it's mainly from the environment a person lives in.
- A. Don't you think people get their personalities from their parents?
- B. No, but parents control a lot of the environment that kids grow up in, so they certainly influence their kids' personalities a lot.
- A. So why do you think many kids have personalities that are so different from their parents'?
- B. Maybe when they become teenagers, they want to be completely different to their parents.
- A. You might be right. I guess most parents want their kids to be like them, but kids today grow up in a different environment. You know, they know much more about the world from then internet, newspapers, and TV.



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- B. Do you think that teenagers get a lot of their bad behavior from TV and movies?
- A. Maybe some of it. I think a lot of people blame TV and movies when the real problem is that the parent's aren't bringing their child up correctly.
- B. Parents have a difficult job. They have to bring up their children and usually have to work too.
- A. Yes, that's true. Your son is doing well at school, isn't he?
- B. Yes, he is. He's very hardworking when he's at school. Then he comes home from school and does his homework before dinner. After dinner he goes out with his friends.
- A. So, he's not a bookworm? It's good that he has an outgoing personality. Some kids are very quiet and introverted. You wonder how they'll survive in the real world without their parents to support them.

### Useful expressions

- 1. Paul is very sociable and much more honest than his brother.
- 2. Do you think people get their personalities from their parents?
- 3. Parents influence their kids' personalities a lot.
- 4. Most parents want their kids to be like them.
- 5. It's good that he has an outgoing personality.



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- 6. Do you ever pretend to be polite?
- 7. She's not only beautiful, but she also has a great personality.

#### Vocabularies

**Polite -** Showing regard for others in manners, speech,

behaviour, etc.

**Example:** "even if he didn't like them he should have been

polite"

**Energetic -** Possessing, exerting or displaying energy

**Example:** "an energetic group of hikers"

**Extrovert** - A sociable person who is lively and outgoing

**Example:** "I am an extrovert person"

**Aggressive** - Having or showing determination and energetic

pursuit of your ends

**Example:** "an aggressive basketball player"



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Stubborn -Tenaciously unwilling or marked by tenacious

unwillingness to yield

**Example:** "don't be a stubborn!"

### **Phrases**

Think of someone

Have a ... Personality

Be considered (shy)

Completely different

