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Superlatives

- Describing People, Places, and Things
- Shopping in a Department Store
- Expressing Opinions

VOCABULARY PREVIEW



- energetic
- funny
- generous
- helpful
- honest

- lazy
- mean
- nice
- noisy
- obnoxious

- patient
- popular
- rude
- sloppy
- stubborn

The Smartest Person I Know

smart – the smartest
kind – the kindest

nice – the nicest
safe – the safest

funny – the funniest
pretty – the prettiest

big – the biggest
hot – the hottest



- A.** I think your friend Margaret is very smart.
B. She certainly is. She's the smartest person I know.



1. *your Aunt Emma*
kind



2. *your friend Jim*
bright



3. *your parents*
nice



4. *your Uncle Ted*
funny



5. *your sister*
pretty



6. *your cousin Amy*
friendly



7. *Larry*
lazy



8. *your landlord*
mean



9. *your roommates*
sloppy

The Most Energetic Person I Know

smart – the smartest
 funny – the funniest
 nice – the nicest
 big – the biggest

energetic – the most energetic
 interesting – the most interesting
 patient – the most patient
 stubborn – the most stubborn



- A. I think your grandmother is very energetic.
 B. She certainly is. She's the most energetic person I know.



1. your friend Carlos
 interesting



2. your grandfather
 generous



3. your cousins
 talented



4. our English teacher
 patient



5. your nephew Andrew
 stubborn



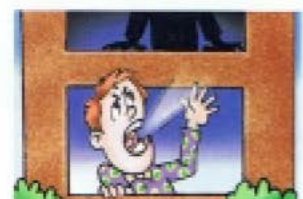
6. your younger brother
 polite



7. your older sister
 bright



8. your upstairs neighbor
 noisy



9. your downstairs neighbor
 rude



10. Senator Smith
 honest

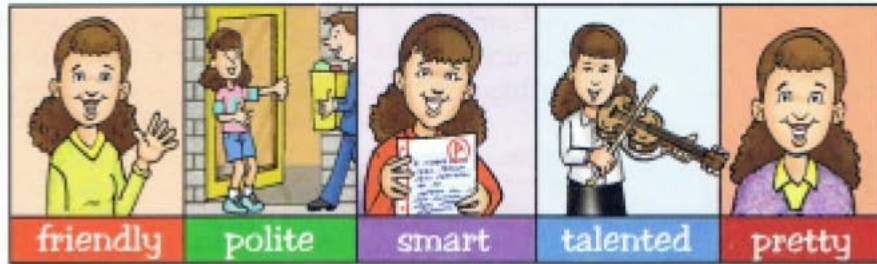


11. our history professor
 boring



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THE NICEST PERSON

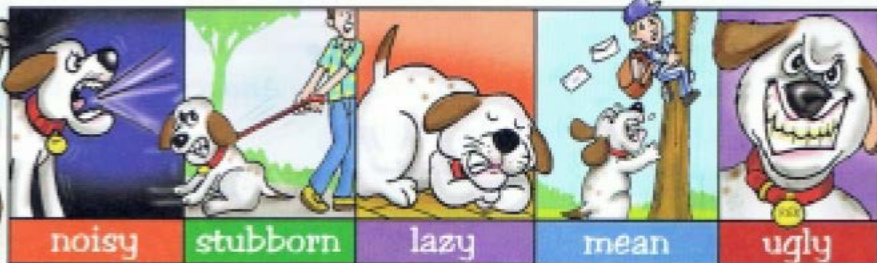


Mr. and Mrs. Jackson are very proud of their daughter, Linda. She's a very nice person. She's friendly, she's polite, she's smart, and she's talented. She's also very pretty.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson's friends and neighbors always compliment them about Linda. They say she's the nicest person they know. According to them, she's the friendliest, the most polite, the smartest, and the most talented girl in the neighborhood. They also think she's the prettiest.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson agree. They think Linda is a wonderful girl, and they're proud to say she's their daughter.

THE MOST OBNOXIOUS DOG



Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard are very embarrassed by their dog, Rex. He's a very obnoxious dog. He's noisy, he's stubborn, he's lazy, and he's mean. He's also very ugly.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard's friends and neighbors always complain about Rex. They say he's the most obnoxious dog they know. According to them, he's the noisiest, the most stubborn, the laziest, and the meanest dog in the neighborhood. They also think he's the ugliest.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard agree. They think Rex is a horrible dog, and they're ashamed to say he's theirs.

✓ READING CHECK-UP

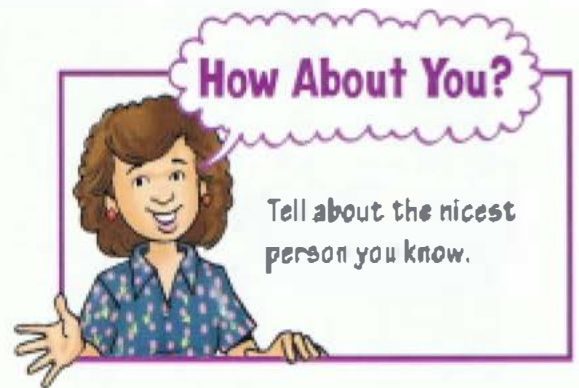
CHOOSE

- Linda is the (most polite smart) person I know.
- She's the most (talented friendliest) girl in the neighborhood.
- She's a very (nicest nice) person.
- Rex is the most (stubborn mean) dog in the neighborhood.
- He's the (lazy noisiest) dog I know.
- He's also the most (ugliest obnoxious) dog in town.

Q & A

The neighbors are talking. Using these models, create dialogs based on the stories.

- A. You know . . . I think Linda is very *nice*.
 B. I agree. She's the *nicest* girl in the neighborhood.
- A. You know . . . I think Rex is very *obnoxious*.
 B. You're right. He's the *most obnoxious* dog in the neighborhood.



How to Say It!

Expressing an Opinion

- A. { In my opinion, . . .
 As far as I'm concerned, . . .
 If you ask me, . . . } *Linda is the most talented student in our school.*
- B. I agree. / I disagree.

Practice conversations with other students. Share opinions.



LISTENING

Listen to the sentence. Is the person saying something good or something bad about someone else?

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| 1. a. good | b. bad | 4. a. good | b. bad | 7. a. good | b. bad |
| 2. a. good | b. bad | 5. a. good | b. bad | 8. a. good | b. bad |
| 3. a. good | b. bad | 6. a. good | b. bad | 9. a. good | b. bad |

PRONUNCIATION *Linking Words with Duplicated Consonants*

Listen. Then say it.

She's the nicest teacher in our school.

He's the most stubborn neighbor on our street.

They're the most talented dancers in the world.

Say it. Then listen.

He's the most generous student in our class.

This is the cheapest toothpaste in the store.

He's the most polite taxi driver in the city.

I Want to Buy a Small Radio

a small radio
a smaller radio
the smallest radio

a comfortable chair
a more comfortable chair
the most comfortable chair

a good car
a better car
the best car



- A. May I help you?
- B. Yes, please. I want to buy a **small** radio.
- A. I think you'll like this one. It's **VERY small**.
- B. Don't you have a **smaller** one?
- A. No, I'm afraid not. This is the **smallest** one we have.
- B. Thank you anyway.
- A. Sorry we can't help you. Please come again.