TEACHER'S NOTES
Personality Traits

Activity Type
Reading, writing, listening and speaking activity

Focus
Personality traits
Personality adjectives
Present simple yes/no questions and short answers

Aim
To ask and answer questions about personality traits.

Preparation
Make one copy of the worksheet for each student.

Level
Intermediate (B1)

Time
40 minutes

Introduction
In this describing personality activity, students practice asking and answering questions about personality traits.

Procedure
Give each student a copy of the worksheet. Go through the language on the worksheet and elicit the questions the students need to ask in order to do the activity, e.g. 'Do you like to try new or exciting things?'

Demonstrate the activity by writing the first item on the board and adding a 'Name' and 'Example' column beside it.

Ask a student in the class: Do you like to try new or exciting things? If they answer 'No, I don't', repeat the question with other students until one of them says 'Yes, I do'.

Write this student's name in the appropriate column on the board and ask: Can you give me an example? Put their answer in the 'Example' column, e.g. 'Last week, he went skydiving'.

Once the students understand the idea, let them start the activity. Tell them to go around the classroom, asking and answering the questions and completing the worksheet with answers.

It is important to tell the students that they can only have the same name once (or twice if the class is small). This is to encourage them to speak to as many different partners as possible.

When everyone has finished, go through each item and elicit the adjective that describes the personality trait. Then, ask the students to give feedback to the class on what they found out about their classmates. Ask them to share any interesting examples and encourage the students to discuss them in more detail.

Answer key:
Adventurous: likes to try new or exciting things
Energetic: has a lot of energy and is very active
Clumsy: always accidentally breaking or hitting things
Fair: treats everyone equally and in a reasonable way
Ambitious: determined to be successful, rich or famous
Concerned: worried about something
Industrious: always working very hard
Sympathetic: easily understands the feelings of other people
Bossy: likes to tell other people what to do
Decisive: makes choices or decides what to do quickly and confidently
Easygoing: relaxed, calm, and easy to get along with
Curious: always wants to find out about something
Funny: makes other people laugh
Graceful: shows good manners and respect for other people
Bold: confident and not afraid of people
Cautious: careful to avoid problems or danger

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