

Adjectives for People and Places

Level: A2

Use these opposite pairs to describe people and places clearly. Read the examples, then compare two people or two places.

People: appearance

tall	High in height; opposite of short.	My brother is tall .
short	Low in height; opposite of tall.	My sister is short .
young	Not old.	The teacher is young .
old	Not young.	My grandfather is old .
strong	Able to carry heavy things.	She is strong .
weak	Not strong.	He feels weak today.
neat	Clean and tidy in appearance.	His clothes are neat .

People: personality

friendly	Kind and easy to talk to.	Our new neighbour is friendly .
unfriendly	Not warm or kind to others.	The man at the desk was unfriendly .
kind	Helpful and caring.	Mia is kind to everyone.
unkind	Not caring about others.	That comment was unkind .
quiet	Not speaking much.	My friend is quiet in class.
talkative	Talking a lot.	Leo is talkative at lunch.
patient	Able to wait calmly.	The doctor is patient .

Places

crowded	Full of people; opposite of empty.	The train station is crowded .
empty	With nobody or nothing inside.	The café is empty today.
modern	New in style; opposite of old-fashioned.	The library is modern .
old-fashioned	From an earlier style.	The hotel looks old-fashioned .
noisy	With a lot of sound.	The street is noisy .
peaceful	Calm and quiet.	The garden is peaceful .
clean	Without dirt.	The room is clean .

Exercise 1: Match the word and meaning

Match each English item with its meaning.

1. tall → _____

2. young → _____

3. strong → _____

4. friendly → _____

5. unkind → _____

6. crowded → _____

Able to carry heavy things. Full of people; opposite of empty. High in height; opposite of short.
Kind and easy to talk to. Not caring about others. Not old.

Exercise 2: Choose the right English

Choose the English phrase or word for each meaning.

7. Which word describes a person high in height?
a) tall b) young c) strong
8. Which word is the opposite of young?
a) short b) old c) quiet
9. Which word describes someone easy to talk to?
a) kind b) talkative c) friendly
10. Which word means not caring about others?
a) unkind b) patient c) neat
11. Which word describes a place full of people?
a) empty b) crowded c) peaceful
12. Which word describes a place with a lot of sound?
a) modern b) clean c) noisy

Exercise 3: Complete the English

Type the missing word.

13. My brother is much taller than me. He is _____. (The opposite of short.)
14. My grandfather is 90. He is _____. (The opposite of young.)
15. She can lift very heavy boxes. She is _____. (The opposite of weak.)
16. Everyone likes talking to her. She is _____. (Easy to talk to.)
17. He laughed at her problem and did not help. That was _____. (Not caring about another person.)
18. The bus has no free seats. It is _____. (Full of people.)

Answer key

Exercise 1: Match the word and meaning

1. tall → High in height; opposite of short.
2. young → Not old.
3. strong → Able to carry heavy things.
4. friendly → Kind and easy to talk to.
5. unkind → Not caring about others.
6. crowded → Full of people; opposite of empty.

Exercise 2: Choose the right English

7. a) tall
8. b) old
9. c) friendly
10. a) unkind
11. b) crowded
12. c) noisy

Exercise 3: Complete the English

13. tall
14. old
15. strong
16. friendly
17. unkind
18. crowded