

8 WORD POWER Personality traits

A Which of these adjectives are positive (P)? Which are negative (N)?

creative	P	impatient	N
critical	P	level-headed	P
disorganized	N	moody	N
efficient	P	punctual	P
forgetful	N	reliable	P
generous	P	short-tempered	N
hardworking	P	strict	P



disorganized



hardworking

B **PAIR WORK** Tell your partner about people you know with these personality traits.

"My boss is very short-tempered. She often shouts at people . . ."

My teacher is very creative to explain math.

C Listen to four conversations. Then check (✓) the adjective that best describes each person.

1. a boss

- ☐ creative
☐ forgetful
☒ serious

2. a co-worker

- ☐ unfriendly
☒ generous
☐ strange

3. a teacher

- ☐ moody
☐ patient
☒ hardworking

4. a relative

- ☐ short-tempered
☐ disorganized
☒ reliable

9 PERSPECTIVES Making the right choice

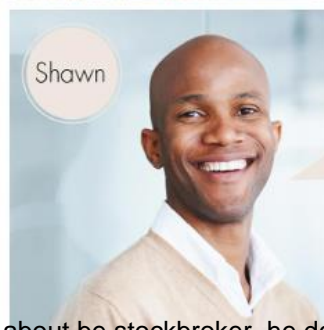
A Listen to these people answer the question, "What kind of work would you like to do?" What job does each person talk about? Do they want that job? I would like to work in a creative team.



Paula

"Well, I think I'd make a good journalist because I'm good at writing. When I was in high school, I worked as a reporter for the school website. I really enjoyed writing different kinds of articles."

She is talking about be journalist, she wants that job.



Shawn

"I know what I don't want to do! A lot of my friends work in the stock market, but I could never be a stockbroker because I can't make decisions quickly. I don't mind working hard, but I'm terrible under pressure!"

He is talking about be stockbroker, he doesn't want that job.



Dalia

"I'm still in school. My parents want me to be a teacher, but I'm not sure yet. I guess I could be a teacher because I'm very creative. I'm also very impatient, so maybe I shouldn't work with kids."

She is student, she wants the job.

B **PAIR WORK** Look at the interviews again. Who are you most like? least like? Why?

I like most Dalia, because she can be a teacher without working with kids.

I least like Shawn, because he is scared of working under pressure.