

ENGLISH

Chapter 4





FRIENDS FOR LIFE?













WDYT?

(What do you think?)

What personal characteristics help us to get along with others?

1 Read the words in the box. Which could you use to describe the people in photos A–F?

friendly honest kind loyal mature patient reliable responsible sociable tolerant



2 Read the information. Complete the table with the negative form of the adjectives in exercise 1.

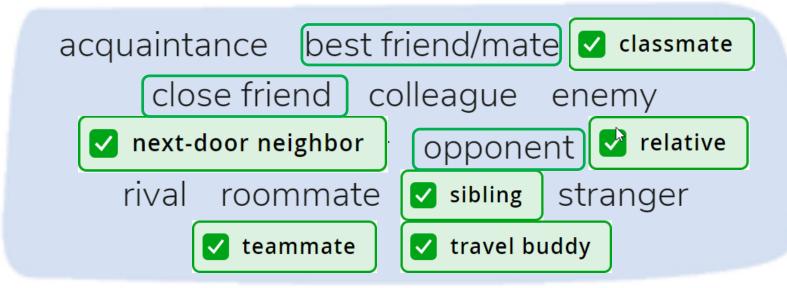
Negative prefixes

We make the negative form of some adjectives with prefixes.

un-	unreliable, unfriendly - unkind- unsociable
dis-	dishonest, disloyal
in-/im-/ir-	impatient, Immature- intolerant- irresponsible

Friends and acquaintances

Check the meaning of these words.
Which ones can you see in pictures A–F?





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Salma Hayek and Penelope Cruz became close friends while shooting the movie *Banderas*. Find out about other famous friends and how they met.

sibling 1 your brother or sister

2 a member of your family (not your siblings)

relative

3 someone that you share a house with (not family)

roommate

4 someone who competes against you in sports

opponent

5 someone who competes with you for success, love, money or power

rival

someone you know, but not well acquaintance

someone you don't know at all

stranger

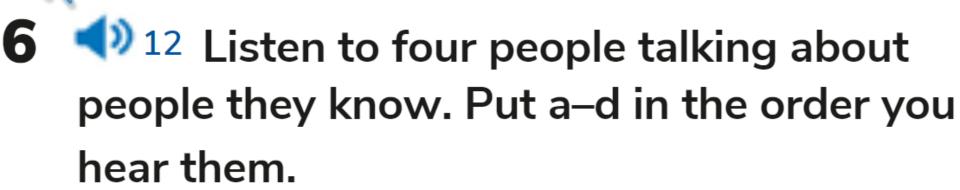
someone you work with

colleague

Which personal qualities in exercise 1 are most important for:

- **1** a friend?
- **2** a neighbor?

- **3** a teacher?
- 4 a teammate?



- **2 a** a classmate irresponsible unkind
- **4b** neighbors unfriendly

- **1c** a best friend reliable kindest
- **3d** a relative friendly sociable

7 Choose three people you know and describe them. Use words in exercises 1, 2, and 3.

Nesrin is a close friend. She's friendly and sociable, but she's also impatient!

8 Watch the video. What questions does the vlogger ask his friend?

1. Who does your friend tell secrets to?

2. Who are you friend's rivals?

3. What quality does your friend most admire in a person?



Work in pairs. Discuss the questions.

- 1 Why do vloggers make 'friend quiz' videos? Why are they popular?
- 2 What questions would you ask a friend in this type of video?

An online article

1 Read the dictionary extract. What is the origin of the word 'doppelgänger'?

doppelgänger

NOUN: someone who looks like someone else; lookalikes

From the German compound noun *Doppelgänger: Doppel* (= double) + *Gänger* (= walker)

Have you met your doppelgänger?

2 Read the first paragraph of the text and look at the photos. Answer the questions.

- 1 How many doppelgängers do we all have, according to the text? seven
- 2 How many people are there in the world today? 7 billion
- 3 How many doppelgängers can you see in the pictures? three

Subskill: Topic sentences

A topic sentence is usually the first sentence in a paragraph. It often summarizes what the paragraph is about.

3 Identify the three topic sentences in the text. In which paragraph will you:

- 1 find out about the possible reasons why people are interested in doppelgängers? Paragraph 3
- 2 read about people who tried hard to find their doppelgängers? Paragraph 2
- 3 read about the possibility of meeting a doppelgänger by chance? Paragraph 1

6 Look at the information. Then complete the sentences with ideas from the text.

Indefinite pronouns

People: someone, anyone, no one, everyone

Things: something, anything, nothing, everything

Places: somewhere, anywhere, nowhere,

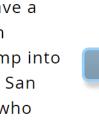
everywhere

- 1 Everyone wants to believe that they are unique.
- 2 You might have a doppelgänger somewhere in the world.
- 3 On <u>Niamh's website</u>, you can try to find your doppelgängers anywhere in the world.
- **Many doppelgängers** share something more than physical appearance.

7 Circle the best option.

- **1** Santana and Isobel ...
 - **a** are siblings.
 - **b** met by accident.
 - **c** met through social media.
- 2 In the 28-day challenge, ...
 - a Harry won.
 - **b** Karen was Niamh's rival.
 - c Niamh beat Terence and Harry.

- a uploaded videos after meeting her doppelgängers.
 - **b** found three lookalikes in Ireland.
 - c met her first doppelgänger in Italy.
- 4 Doppelgängers ...
 - **a** always have more in common than casual acquaintances.
 - **b** are usually distant relatives.
 - c sometimes feel a special connection.



Everyone wants to believe they're unique, but it's actually possible that we all have a 'doppelgänger' somewhere in the world. In fact, it's said that we each have seven lookalikes! But in a world of seven billion people, it isn't likely that you'll just bump into your twin stranger ... or is it? Seventeen-year-old Santana Gutierrez, who lives in San Diego, USA, was walking around a shopping mall when she met a total stranger who looked just like her. Her doppelgänger, Isobel, was at the mall.

While Santana met her doppelgänger by chance, others have searched far and wide for theirs. University friends Niamh Geaney, Harry English and Terence Manzanga, who all studied in Dublin, Ireland, challenged each other to find their doppelgängers in less than 28 days. Niamh was confident that she could beat her rivals, and she did. In less than two weeks she'd found Karen, who also lived in Dublin, and the two met up. But the story didn't end there! Niamh soon found two more doppelgängers: Luisa from Genoa, Italy, and Irene from Sligo, Ireland. The YouTube videos which she made soon went viral. And Niamh, whose doppelgänger story fascinated people around the world, decided to help others with their search. She set up a website where people can try to find their double anywhere in the world. So far, more than four million people have signed up.

So why are we so fascinated by the idea of finding our doppelgänger? Research shows that we generally trust people whose features are similar to ours more than other people. Historically, this made sense because people who resembled us were probably our relatives, and therefore not enemies. These days, though, you may have nothing more in common with your doppelgänger than with any neighbor or acquaintance. However, many doppelgängers say they feel an instant connection and share something more than just physical appearance. Luisa even described her twin stranger as her 'soulmate'. But don't worry if you've been searching and haven't found your doppelgänger yet – it might happen when you're least expecting it!



Word work Mat

Match the definitions to the

words in bold in the text.

- 1 to defeat an opponent in a game or competition
- 2 invited (someone) to take part in a competition
- **3** to meet someone unexpectedly
- **4** to (not) have the same interests or opinions as another person
- 5 looked for someone/something in many different places

HOMEWORK from 1 to 5

