# POSITIVE VOCABULARY WORDS FOR PERSONALITY AND BEHAVIOR

### **Assertive and Outspoken**

You can describe someone as **assertive** if they often take initiative, and they are bold and confident in putting forth their ideas. Assertive people are often **outspoken**. This word means you are not shy or reserved about stating your honest opinions.

### **Charismatic (charisma)**

Someone who is **charismatic** naturally attracts others through their warm, friendly, almost hypnotizing personality. People tend to be drawn to a charismatic person. You can also say a person has a lot of **charisma** (noun) to describe this quality.

### Cultured

Describing someone as **cultured** means they are educated, refined, and have good manners and social skills. This type of person would also be **courteous**, meaning they are polite and show consideration towards others, like by opening the door for someone or letting someone else go first.

#### Connoisseur

When someone has a lot of knowledge and appreciation of a particular area – especially when it comes to food and the arts – you can say that person is a **connoisseur** of that area. For example, she's a connoisseur of fine wines if she knows a lot about them and is able to distinguish them and make good recommendations.

## Composed

To talk about being calm – especially in the face of stressful circumstances – you can say the person is **composed**. Some people can remain composed even when the situation is crazy. But others might be outwardly composed (meaning they appear to be calm) but internally they are agitated.

### **Unflappable**

Someone who ALWAYS stays calm and is not upset or shaken even by very intense situations can be described as **unflappable** – like nothing can make them lose their calm or lose their composure.

### **Conscientious and Judicious**

A **conscientious** person is careful and accurate with details. They don't make careless mistakes because they check and think about things carefully. And someone who is **judicious** makes good judgments. They are intelligent and practical, so they can make good decisions.

## **Feisty**

Describing someone as **feisty** means they are full of life and have a lot of energy; they have an animated personality.

### Witty

Someone who is **witty** is clever and funny with words; they often make people smile/laugh with their speaking or writing.

## NEGATIVE VOCABULARY WORDS FOR PERSONALITY AND BEHAVIOR

### Callous

Someone who is **callous** has a "hard heart" or appears to have no emotions or no feelings for others. A callous person would not care if other people were hurt.

## Conceited, Cocky, Pompous, or Condescending

There are a lot of ways to describe someone who thinks they are better than others. You could call them **conceited**, **cocky** (informal), **pompous**, or **condescending**.

### **Obnoxious**

Someone who is especially annoying, or their behavior, can be described as **obnoxious**. It really bothers and irritates you.

## Meddlesome, or Nosy

A **meddlesome** or **nosy** person wants to know about or interfere in other people's private affairs.

### **Tactless**

Another annoying personality trait is being **tactless**, meaning someone who does not have manners and often says or does things that offend other people or hurt their feelings.

## Moody, Temperamental, or Testy

Speaking of feelings, a person who is **moody** or **temperamental** is one whose emotions change very frequently, and it's impossible to predict whether they'll be excited or depressed.

Someone who easily gets irritated or impatient can be described as **testy**. You have to be careful because even little things can annoy or anger them.

## **Cynical**

A **cynical** person tends to have a negative perspective and believe the worst about everything and everyone – they think most people are selfish and most ideas will fail, so they tend to criticize.

### Slovenly, or Slob

Finally, someone who is **slovenly**, or a **slob**, is habitually messy in their appearance or their home; they don't have good hygiene, and they don't clean up.

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	forward ideas
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charisma (n.)	friendly personality
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	skills
courteous (adj.)	polite and show consideration toward others
connoisseur (n.)	has a lot of knowledge and appreciation of a
	particular area
composed (adj.)	stays calm in the face of stressful circumstances
unflappable (adj.)	always calm, like nothing can make them upset or agitated
conscientious (adj.)	careful and accurate with details
judicious (adj.)	makes good judgments
feisty (adj.)	full of life with an animated personality
witty (adj.)	clever and funny with words
callous (adj.)	appears to have no emotions or feelings for others
conceited, cocky, pompous,	arrogant, think they are better than others
condescending (adj.)	
obnoxious (adj.)	especially annoying
meddlesome/nosy (adj.)	wants to know about or interfere in other people's
	private affairs
tactless (adj.)	has no manners
moody/temperamental (adj.)	emotions change very frequently and unpredictably
testy (adj.)	easily gets irritated or impatient
cynical (adj.)	has a negative perspective and believes the worst
slovenly (adj.)	habitually messy in appearance or environment
a slob (n.)	