

## Lesson 08: Birth Order or Upbringing?

### ANSWER KEY

Positive adjectives	Negative adjectives
/conscientious; experienced/ thorough/ humble/ outgoing  independent/sociable honest/diligent open/predisposed(towards leadership) conservative	cynical/ nervous/dependent /demanding  self-centred/power-oriented /frivolous /dominant/ paranoid

**A)**

**B)** Check S answers.

**C)** S answer differently

## Listening comprehension

1)

1. Some scientists believe that the order in which we were born to a family affects our personality. **D**
2. For the middle children the pace of development is higher. **C**
3. Only children are often pampered by their parents. **B**
4. Studies have a number of inaccuracies. **F**
5. Research doesn't take into account important social factors such as ethnicity, education, and relationships within a family. **E**
6. The upbringing that children receive in their homes is a much more important factor in shaping their lives as individuals. **A**

2)

3)

1. <b>False</b> . There's a stereotype that the oldest child in the family tends to be very responsible.	6. <b>True</b>
2. <b>True</b>	7. <b>False</b> . As a rule the youngest child gets a lot of care and attention from parents and even older siblings.
3. <b>False</b> . According to Adler the oldest child is growing up to be more likely to take initiative, that is independent.	8. <b>True</b>
4. <b>True</b>	9. <b>False</b> . They are dependent and self-centered.
5. <b>False</b> . Middle children often struggle to surpass their older siblings.	10. <b>True</b>

**Personality adjectives:**

**1)**

1. aloof      2. reliable    3. opinionated    4. confident    5. unpredictable    6. determined    7. stubborn

2)

1 + F (-)	2 + J (+)	3 + D (-)	4 + E (+)	5 + B (-)	6 + G (-)	7 + K (-)	8 + I (-)	9 + A (+)	10 + C (-)	11 + H (+)
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3)

1. spontaneous      2. happy-go-lucky      3. down to earth      4. Pretentious  
5. considerate      6. quick-witted      7. charismatic      8. conceited

4)

1. b  
2. d  
3. g  
4. h  
5. e  
6. c  
7. f  
8. A

5)

1. trait 2. aptitude 3. genetic 4. Determination 5. initiative 6. nurture 7. upbringing 8. Entrepreneur