

Personal Traits of Character

Task 1.1 Write the new words and learn them:

clever, intelligent – умный (cleverness\intelligence)

foolish, silly, stupid – глупый (silliness\stupidity)

modest – скромный (modesty)

aggressive – агрессивный

frank, sincere откровенный, искренний (Sincerely Yours)

noisy-шумный (noise\noisily \noiseless)

ambitious – честолюбивый (ambition)

scrupulous/contemptuous- щепетильный

generous – щедрый (generosity)

stubborn-упрямый

witty – остроумный

gentle - мягкий, благородный (gentleman)

patient – терпеливый (impatient\patience)

h-au-gh-ty – высокомерный

gloomy, moody – мрачный (gloominess)

polite – вежливый (impolite\politeness)

boastful – хвастливый

curious – любопытный

selfish эгоистичный

brave, courageous, fearless - храбрый, мужественный, бесстрашный

dishonest/ honest -нечестный/ честный

greedy –жадный

boring, dull – скучный

naughty –капризный

shy-робкий

envious –завистливый

jealous –ревнивый

sociable, talkative-общительный, разговорчивый

cheerful –веселый

evil, wicked - злой, бессовестный

lazy-ленивый

wise- мудрый

Task 1.2 Read and translate the text

I have a very good friend. His name is Nick. Friends are very important in our life. I think one cannot live without friends. The most important thing for being good friends, to my mind, is to be ready to help one another in any situation, never-the-less how difficult it is, to support one another and to solve all the problems together. And never mind, that the friends may have different interests and hobbies, different likes and

dislikes. They say that the friend in need is a friend indeed. I think it is really so.

My friend and I always do our best to help one another. We discuss all our troubles and try to find the best decision in any situation. My friend is a very good, kind and clever boy. We often spend our free time together. It is not very easy now, because both of us are very busy — we are going to enter institutes and have a lot of work to do.

My friend is going to become a lawyer. Our future professions are different and the subjects we have to study are different too, but we like to work together and to help one another in our study.

When we have some free time, we go for walks, read and discuss books, watch films, go to discos or play computer games. Playing computer games is our hobby. Both of us are fond of sport. We go in for swimming and often go to the swimming pool together. We are football fans and we like to watch and discuss football matches on TV or to go to the stadium. I love my friend very much. I think he is a true friend. Our friendship is very dear to me and I try to do my best to be a good friend too.

Task 1.3 : Answer the questions

1. What is the most important thing for being good friends?
2. What does "friendship" mean for you?
3. How do you spend time with your friends?
4. Do you have many friends?
5. Do you have any friends from your group?

Task 1.4 Read the expressions and make sentences with them

1. to admire smb for smth - восхищаться кем-то за что-либо
2. to appreciate smth - ценить что-либо
3. to be a person of strong (weak) character - иметь сильный/ слабый характер
4. to be kind of person you like at first sight - располагать к себе с первого взгляда
5. to be a sunny soul - добрая душа
6. to have a bunch of bad habits - иметь кучу вредных привычек
7. to have a sense of humour - иметь чувство юмора
8. to keep one's promise/word - сдерживать обещание, слово

9. to make friends - подружиться
10. to be like and soul of the party - быть душой компании
11. to tell lies - врать
12. to be devoted to - посвящать, служить чему-либо, всего себя отдавать

Task 1.5 Read the idioms, make a story, using some of them

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1. to be the black sheep of the family — быть белой вороной
2. to be close to smb — быть близким по духу
3. to be in the public eye — быть на виду
4. to get to the top — достичь вершины
5. to get one's own way — поступать по-своему
6. to have a heart of gold - иметь золотое сердце
7. to have a mind of your own — иметь собственное мнение
8. to have a memory like a sieve - иметь дырявую память
9. to keep oneself to oneself — быть самим собой
10. to know one's own mind - знать, чего хочешь
11. to put oneself in smb's shoes - поставить себя на место другого
12. to see eye to eye — сойтись во мнениях
13. to see things in black and white — судить категорично
14. a shoulder to cry on — жилетка поплакать
15. to take smth to heart — принимать близко к сердцу
16. to take one's side — принимать чью-либо сторону
17. to have a lot of faults — иметь много недостатков
18. to bottle up your feelings — прятать чувства
19. to be born with a silver spoon — родиться в рубашке/ родиться в богатой семье
20. to sweet talk - льстить.

Task 1.6 Translate the words, write the antonyms:

cheerful

curious

funny

hard-working

humble

impolite

impulsive
lazy
naughty
nervous
organized
responsible
rude
self-confident
selfish
shy
silly
stubborn
timid

Task 1.7 Read and translate the dialogue

Диалог "Разговор друзей" (Dialogue between two friends)

- Wow! It's only 2 days left till our winter holidays!
- Yes, Mark. I can't help waiting for the end of the term. We are going to have a proper rest at last. I'm so tired of my studies.
- Me too, Jack. It's been a long and hard term. What are you going to do during these holidays?
- I'd like to spend a couple of days in a ski-resort for a change but it depends on my parents. And you? Do you have any holiday plans? We should do something interesting together in our free time.
- What about going to the movies first?
- That sounds perfect. Is there anything special you want to see?
- Well, they say that another part of "The Hunger Games" is great. It's a real blockbuster.
- It would be wonderful. How about eating out somewhere beforehand?

- Good idea! You are reading my thoughts! What kind of food shall we try this time?
- I'd rather prefer Japanese food.
- Well, I don't mind. I haven't tried it for a long time.
- And we can shop a little too. You know I need new sneakers.
- OK, then. What day shall we choose?
- Next Monday would be nice. By the way, don't forget I'm celebrating my birthday in 2 weeks.
- Sure. I remember that and I'm looking forward to it. How kind of you to invite me.
- Come on, Mark! You must be joking! You are my best friend.