

Exercises – Word formation

Adjectives with the opposite meaning (B2)

Ex. 1 Fill in the gaps with an appropriate form of the word in brackets. Create **only adjectives** with the opposite meaning by using suitable prefixes.

1. He's such a (LOYALTY) friend – one day he pretends to understand your problems, the other day he stabs you in the back!
2. I'm totally (SATISFACTION) with your service. I'm going to complain to your manager about it.
3. Anabelle is (FITNESS) to be a primary school teacher. She doesn't like working with children.
4. What you're saying is completely (REASON). There isn't any logic in buying new domestic appliances.
5. Claire is (MATURITY) for her age. She usually behaves very childishly.
6. He was (OBEY) to his parent so they had to punish him.
7. Robert is such an (RESPONSIBILITY) man. You can't trust him with anything.
8. He might be (SENSITIVITY) at times but his intentions aren't cruel.
9. She likes boasting about her personal belongings and how successful she is. She's extremely (MODESTY).
10. Everybody is (PERFECTIONISM) to some extent.
11. The government is going to crack down on (MORALITY) practices in business.
12. This fruit is (EAT). Don't eat it!
13. I was (COURAGE) by his attitude towards my colleagues.
14. I'm (FAMILIARITY) with modern art.
15. Tartan skirts are (FASHION) nowadays. They used to be popular in the nineties.
16. What he said is (BELIEVE). I don't give credence to his version of the story.
17. I was totally (AWARENESS) of new legal regulations.
18. My neighbours are (WILL) to take care of my dog when I go away on business
19. Ashlie is (CAPABLE) of hurting anybody. She's a very understanding and sympathetic person.
20. This sofa is extremely (COMFORT). I'd rather sit on the floor.
21. Caren is (SUIT) for the job. She can't work under pressure.
22. Being financially (DEPEND) of your parents is the first step towards adulthood.
23. Endangered species are dying out and that is an (AVOID) fact.
24. (ABLE) people should have all necessary amenities.
25. Introverts are seen as (SOCIALIZE) people. I think it's just a stereotype, but maybe there is a grain of truth in it?
26. It's very sad that currently children are (INTEREST) in reading books.
27. Stop making these (CREDIBLE) excuses. I'm not going to believe you!

28. My job is rather (EXCITE). Every day I do the same things and there is no prospect of promotion in the future.
29. You're still (ACQUAINT) with our manager. Shall I introduce her to you?
30. In some countries people have got (EQUALITY) rights.
31. Your behaviour is (RESPECT). I'm not going to tolerate it any more.

Ex. 2 Use appropriate prefixes (*dis-*, *il-*, *im-*, *ir-*, *in-*, *un-*) to form negative adjectives.

1. logical –
2. intelligent –
3. discreet –
4. tolerant –
5. rational –
6. imaginative –
7. decisive –
8. just –
9. mature –
10. reliable –
11. sincere –
12. possible –
13. important –
14. significant –
15. profitable –
16. successful –
17. known –
18. practical –
19. organised –
20. welcome –