

Word of the Month: TWO-FACED

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1. Read these sentences

- a. Jason thinks he is better than all his team-mates. He is so **arrogant**.
- b. Sandy refused to give her sister a chocolate. She is so **mean**.
- c. Finn is so **bossy**. He tells his little brother what to do all the time.
- d. James is so **two-faced**! He always smiles sweetly at David and then says terrible things about him to their classmates.
- e. Nick is so **rude** – he never says 'please' or 'thank you'.
- f. Gina fights with everyone about everything – she is so **aggressive**!

2. Match the opposite adjectives.

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| a. arrogant | 1. polite |
| b. mean | 2. obedient |
| c. bossy | 3. humble |
| d. two-faced | 4. generous |
| e. rude | 5. calm |
| f. aggressive | 6. honest |

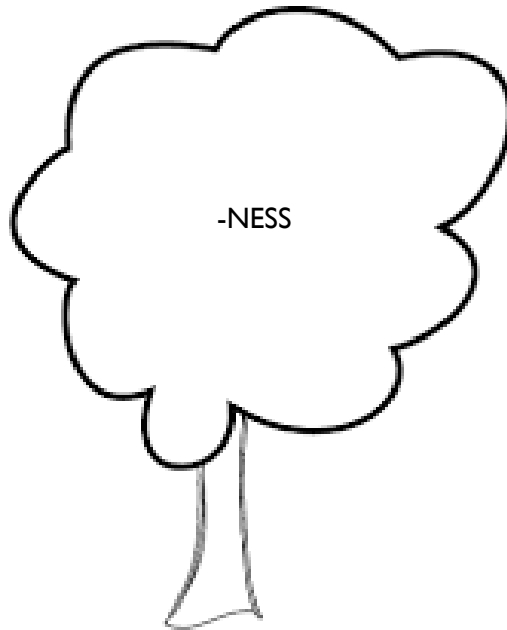
3. Complete the sentences with one of the adjectives from exercise 1.

- a. My sister is very _____. She always decides which games we play.
- b. Sometimes customers are _____ to waiters and other workers.
- c. My neighbour's dog is very _____. It barks and growls every time it sees me.
- d. Lea is really _____. She thinks she's the best singer in the class.
- e. Some of the girls on my volleyball team are really _____. They act nice all the time but then gossip about each other.
- f. I like my Aunt Carol but she is quite _____; she never buys us nice birthday presents.

4.

a. **Make your words grow! Make nouns from the adjectives in exercise 1. Three of the adjectives can go in the tree. Write them here:**

Use a dictionary to help you



b. **Which adjectives cannot go in the tree?**

Two of the adjectives which cannot go in the tree have different nouns. Write the nouns here:

Teacher's Notes

1. Ask the students to read the sentences and then work with a partner and decide if the adjectives are positive or negative. They are all negative.

2. Match the opposite adjectives.

a. 3 b. 4 c. 2 d. 6 e. 1 f. 5

3. Complete the sentences with one of the adjectives from exercise 1.

Elicit examples of people the students know who are mean or aggressive for example, before doing ex. 3.

- a. My sister is very **bossy**. She always decides which games we play.
- b. Sometimes customers are **rude** to waiters and other workers.
- c. My neighbour's dog is very **aggressive**. It barks and growls every time it sees me.
- d. Lea is really **arrogant**. She thinks she's the best singer in the class.
- e. Some of the girls on my volleyball team are really **two-faced**. They act nice all the time but then gossip about each other.
- f. I like my Aunt Carol but she is quite **mean**; she never buys us nice birthday presents.

4.

a. Make nouns from adjectives in exercise 1.

meanness

bossiness

rudeness

two-facedness

b. Two of the adjectives which cannot go in the tree have different nouns. Write the nouns here:

arrogant – **arrogance**

aggressive – **aggression**