Word of the Month: BRAVERY

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- a. John saved the dog from the fire. He is very brave.
- b. Sally gave Lucy her last chocolate. She is very kind.
- c. Philip's jokes make everyone laugh. He is very entertaining.
- d. Jane didn't try to stop the bullies insulting her friend. She is very cowardly.
- e. Noel refused to share his sweets. He is very mean.
- f. Grace never wants to do anything. She is very boring.

2. Match the opposite adjectives

- brave
 boring
 kind
 cowardly
- **3.** entertaining **c.** mean

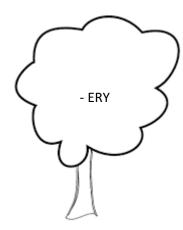
3. Complete the sentences with one of the adjectives from exercise 2.

- I. Firefighters are very _____
- 2. Terrorists are very ______
- 3. Nurses are very _____
- 4. People who don't share are very
- 5. Clowns are very
- **6.** Friends who never go out are very _____

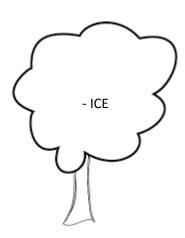
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4. Make your words grow! Make nouns from the adjectives and write them in the right tree. Use a dictionary to help you.

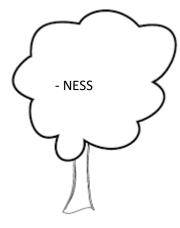
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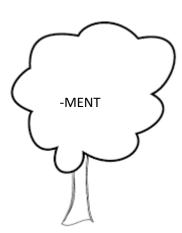
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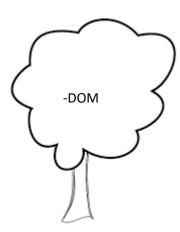


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e.

Teachers Notes

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1.

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

2.

 $I \rightarrow b$

 $2 \rightarrow c$

 $3 \rightarrow a$

3.

Elicit examples of some jobs and what characteristics people who do those jobs usually have.

For example:

Teacher = patient Doctor = intelligent Police officer = diplomatic

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4.

Talk to students about word transformations. Start with some root words on the board and elicit different forms.

For example:

To disgust (verb) disgusted (adjective, for feelings) disgusting (adjective to describe people/ objects/events) disgust (noun)

- a. brave/ bravery
- **b.** cowardly /cowardice
- c. kind /kindness
- d. mean/ meanness
- e. entertaining / entertainment
- **f.** boring / boredom

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