

Intermediate 2 – Unit 6

Differences between People

People differ physically from the moment of conception, but it is only after birth that an individual can be observed. Family traits and characteristics are noted by adoring parents who think the baby looks like another family member or definitely takes after the mother's side or, without a doubt, has his father's nose.

Eye color, skin color and the texture of our hair are all different and depend on our inherited genes. A baby born with ginger hair may in a few months' time have fair hair as the birth hair falls out and is replaced. Hair can be fine, thick, straight or curly, and as we grow older it gets thinner. Some hair loss is experienced at quite an early age while others have a full head of hair throughout their lives. People with dark hair may find that it turns to grey or white even before they reach their 40's.

European people in general have paler skin than if your ancestors come from Africa or Asia. Skin can change color if exposed to sunlight, but the tan does not last unless it is regularly topped up.

The rate at which we develop and grow is variable. Boys and girls of the same age show big differences in growth spurts. At the age of 12, girls are much taller than boys of the same age, but at 16 years of age, boys shoot up and overtake the girls in height and body strength.

The way the body develops is not just a result of physical changes, as our mental processes have a large part to play in what we want to achieve. A desire to become a skilful footballer, a long distance runner or a strong swimmer require stamina and years of practice to try and attain the top level. Even with hours of body building activities and work-outs in the gym, a person will not be able to compete in a Strong Man competition if they have a small frame and fragile bones.

The food we eat will, to a certain extent, determine how we grow and gives us strong bones. A lack of activity and eating too much sweet sugary food can result in people gaining excessive amounts of weight. It seems unfair that one person can eat all sorts of fattening food and not put on weight while others just 'looking at a cream cake' can put on pounds or kilos.

Questions

- ... What changes take place a few weeks after birth?
- a. The noise the baby makes. b. The skin color.
- c. The baby's hair.
- d. The shape of the nose
- 2. What causes pale skin to become brown or tanned?
 a. Exposure to the sun.
 b. Staying indoors.
 c. Covering the body with sun cream lotion
 d. Spending time on a sun bed.

- 3. Roughly, at what stage in their development do girls start to grow in height?
- a. When they start learning to swim. b. When they start primary school

- c. When they eat raw vegetables d. When they reach the age of 12 or 13.
- 4. What do we need to succeed in sport at the top level? a. A strong body and a determination to keep persisting.
- b. Extra tuition.
- c. Lots of work in the gym.
- d. Good food.
- 5. What happens to our bodies if we eat too much and do not take enough exercise?
- a. We feel happy b. We get fat and overweight. c. Our muscles get flabby. d. We do not have any energy.

Tell the class

- Who do you take after in the family? Whether personality or appearance.
- Was it always this way or have you changed over the years?

Match these questions ©

| Describing People | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1What's she like? | a. She's in her twenties | | | | |
| 2 What does she look like? | b. She likes painting | | | | |
| 3What does she like doing? | c. Five foot eight | | | | |
| 4How tall is she? | d. She's tall and pretty | | | | |
| 5What color are her eyes? | e. She's really nice. Very easy going | | | | |
| 6How old is she? | f. She's fine | | | | |
| 7What kind of clothes does she wear? | g. Brown | | | | |
| 8What's her hair like? | h. It's sort of long, dark, and curly. | | | | |
| 9How is she? | i. Not formal, Casual. She has a lot of style. | | | | |

In pairs.... ©

- · Ask your partner about the family member they mentioned earlier.
- Ask them the questions from the previous exercise and report back to the class ©
- Try to use some of these adjectives:
- A lot of fun
- A bit quiet
- Very sociable
- Good-looking
- Pretty dark
- Medium height
- About six feet
- In his mid-twenties
- Straight
- Short
- Curly

Adjective Hunt ©

Take a look at each advertisement and let's find the

adjectives

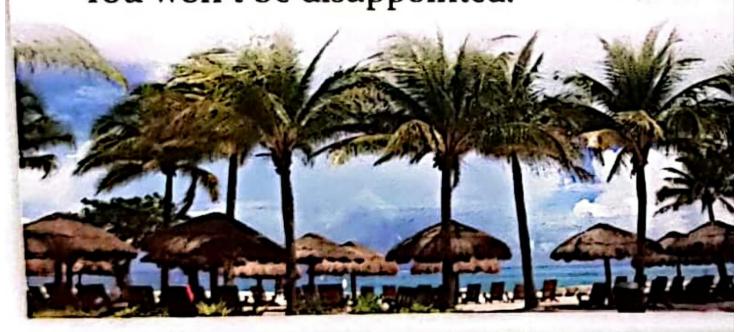




Come to Cozumel, our world famous vacation paradise, and you'll leave relaxed and suntanned!

Sandy beaches. Exciting nightlife.

Visit the ancient ruins, go walking or scuba diving, or just take it easy!
You won't be disappointed.



Responsible, experienced 19-yearold woman available for childcare this summer.

I'm loving, active, creative, and I adore kids. I'm an excellent driver and can take your children on fun-filled adventures to the beach, the library and museums. Come home after work to happy, tired kids! Flexible hours and rates.

Adjectives + nouns

Match an adjective that goes with a noun there could be more than one possibility

Fresh Fruit Handsome man Fast food Clear sky hair

Adjective Noun Friend fruit Fresh clothes latest pretty fast Fashions Clear crowded hair job close handsome Restaurant food casual woman challenging straight Man sky COZY room

Cozy Room

Casual Clothes Latest fashions Challengingjob

Pretty Woman

Crowded restaurant

Close friend

Let's have fun with some adjectives

| Wellx2 |
|--------|
| Full |
| Long |
| Good |
| Second |
| Eye |
| Brand |

| New | Behaved |
|---------|----------|
| Dressed | Time |
| Hand | Catching |
| Term | Looking |

Game Time!

- What is another word for handsome?
- Good-looking
- What should all kids be?
- Well-behaved
- What is the opposite of an 8 hour job?
- Part time job
- The extreme shine in diamonds is.....
- Eye catching
- What is another name for unwanted/used items?
- Second-hand
- So, what is the opposite of a used item?
- Brand new
- What kind of relationship is successful?
- long-term
- The most important factor for any manager is that the employees are all?
- well-dressed

What do you think?

Look at these statements and tell me if you agree or disagree. Explain

- Mothers feels closer to their sons.
- Fathers feel closer to their daughters.
- The first born child is ambitious, responsible, dominant and insecure.
- The second child is free independent, creative and easy going
- The last born child is the baby spoiled, happy confident, and secure.

Let's Listen to CD 22... How does each person describe their family member?

Complete the table

| | Jen | Brett | Julia | Susan | Chris |
|---------------------------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| I feel closest to | | | | | |
| He/She is easy to talk to | | | | | |
| We do things together | | | | | |
| We have a similar character | | | | | |
| I like the way he/she thinks | | | | | |
| We are different | | | | | |

Assignment ©

Complete each question using a word from the box: (much- How – brand – of – long – for – size)

- What _____is it ? *Sony*
- How _____ does it weigh? 3 pounds
- What's it made _____? Carbon and Titanium
- What's this button _____? it turns it on.
- _____ big is the screen? 13.2 inches.
- How _____ is the battery life? Eight hours.
- What _____ is the hard drive? 256 gigabytes.