

Talking about people



This is my sister Holly. She is 24, and she has two children – a **little boy** called Zak and a **baby girl** called Chloe. Holly is a great mum and she is very **happy** with her **young** family.



This is my mum. She's nearly 60 and I think she is really **beautiful**. Mum is a teacher. It's a hard job, and she's sometimes **tired** when she comes home from work.




This is my brother James. James is very **tall** and he loves playing basketball. He's also very **clever**. He's at university studying politics. He's always talking about politics, which I find quite **boring**!



This is my grandma. She's quite **old**, and she's very **short**! I love visiting her because she's so **nice**, and she makes great cakes! She lives on her own, but she says she's not **sad** about it because we visit her a lot and she has lots of friends.

Words for talking about people

Word Finder		adult	NOUN An adult is a fully-grown person or animal.
		baby	NOUN A baby is a very young child.
		beautiful	ADJECTIVE A beautiful person is very nice to look at.
		boring	ADJECTIVE Someone or something that is boring is not at all interesting.
		boy	NOUN A boy is a male child.
		clever	ADJECTIVE Someone who is clever is intelligent and can think and understand quickly.
		girl	NOUN A girl is a female child.
		happy	ADJECTIVE Someone who is happy feels pleased.
		little	ADJECTIVE Something that is little is small.
		man	NOUN A man is an adult male human.
		nice	ADJECTIVE If something is nice , it is attractive, pleasant, or enjoyable.
		old	ADJECTIVE Someone who is old has lived for many years and is not young.
		sad	ADJECTIVE If you are sad , you feel unhappy.
		short	ADJECTIVE Someone who is short is not tall.
		slim	ADJECTIVE If you are slim , your body is thin in an attractive way.
		small	ADJECTIVE If something is small , it is not large.
		tall	ADJECTIVE If someone is tall , they are higher than most other people.
		tired	ADJECTIVE If you are tired , you feel that you want to rest or sleep.
		woman	NOUN A woman is an adult female human being.
		young	ADJECTIVE A young person, animal, or plant has not lived for very long.

Exercise 1

For each question, tick the correct answer.

- 1 The opposite of old is
 - ☐ short.
 - ☐ young.
 - ☐ sad.
- 2 The opposite of tall is
 - ☐ happy.
 - ☐ slim.
 - ☐ short.
- 3 The opposite of big is
 - ☐ small.
 - ☐ tall.
 - ☐ nice.
- 4 The opposite of interesting is
 - ☐ clever.
 - ☐ boring.
 - ☐ slim.
- 5 The opposite of sad is
 - ☐ happy.
 - ☐ short.
 - ☐ beautiful.
- 6 The opposite of stupid is
 - ☐ happy.
 - ☐ small.
 - ☐ clever.

Exercise 2

Match the sentence halves.

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| 1 Gloria's mother is a | a go to the party. |
| 2 My sister is ten | b because it was hungry. |
| 3 You have to be tall | c but she's still very small. |
| 4 Cass was too tired to | d when you are young. |
| 5 The baby was crying | e very beautiful woman. |
| 6 It's best to learn languages | f to play basketball. |

Exercise 3

Choose the correct word.

- Gabrielle doesn't eat chocolate **because** she wants to keep **short / slim / small**.
- Ravi wants to be a doctor, but I don't think he's **tired / boring / clever** enough.
- Lily's lucky – her boyfriend is really **nice / sad / tired**.
- I think Eva is more **little / old / beautiful** than her sister.
- I hate talking to Mr Bush because he's so **happy / boring / tired**.
- My aunt is too **old / clever / slim** to have children now.

Exercise 4

Put the correct word in each gap.

old | happy | young | clever | man | short

My grandfather

When I was ¹_____, my grandfather and I played football together a lot. His legs are quite ²_____, but he could run very fast. I was always ³_____ when I was with him.

My grandfather is quite ⁴_____ now, so he can't run around any more. I still visit him every week, and we often play chess. He's very ⁵_____, so he usually wins. I don't mind, because he's such a nice ⁶_____ and I love spending time with him.

Exercise 5

Complete the sentences by writing one word in each gap.

adults | young | woman | tired | girls | baby

- This club is for _____ only.
- I need to go to bed. I'm really _____.
- Kazuo's wife is a very nice _____.
- My friend Katie had a _____ last week.
- Poppy is too _____ to walk to school alone.
- Bella and Stella are the only two _____ in the children's football club in our town.

Exercise 6

Match the words with the pictures.

1 tall

a



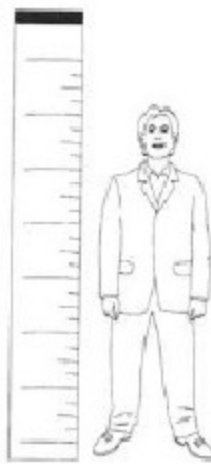
2 old

b



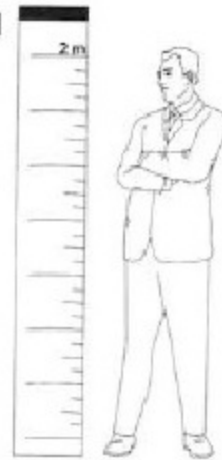
3 slim

c



4 short

d



5 tired

e



6 happy

f

