

Positive Adjectives to Describe a Person

Accomplished: Proficient at something	Adaptable: Able to change quickly
Adept: Good at something	Adventurous: Enjoys taking risks/trying new things
Affable: Friendly	Affectionate: Shows fondness
Agreeable: Willing to do things	Alluring: appealing, desirable
Amazing: Wonderful	Ambitious: Determined to succeed
Amiable: Friendly, pleasant	Amicable: Friendliness
Ample: Plenty of something	Amusing: Makes people laugh
Approachable: Easy to talk to	Articulate: Speaks well in an educated manner
Awesome: Inspiring awe, amazement	Blithesome: Cheerful
Brave: Not scared	Bright: Clever
Brilliant: Clever, inspirational	Broad-minded: Open-minded
Calm: Even-tempered	Capable: Able to do something
Captivating: Keeps attention	Careful: Uses caution
Charismatic: Compels others to agree, charming	Charming: Has charm, enchanting, attractive
Chatty: Talkative	Communicative: Clear communication with others
Cheerful: Happy	Compassionate: Caring
Competitive: Driven to win	Confident: Self-certainty, believes in himself
Conscientious: Does their duty	Considerate: Thinks of others
Convivial: Cheerful, friendly	Courageous: Brave
Courteous: Good manners	Creative: Artistic
Dazzling: Bright	Decisive: Makes decisions quickly
Dependable: Can rely on	Determined: Focused on success
Devoted: Cares deeply for a person or ideal	Diligent: Works hard
Diplomatic: Tactful	Discreet: Keeps secrets
Dynamic: Full of ideas	Easy-going: Relaxed temperament
Educated: Well-studied	Efficient: Completes tasks easily
Effervescent: Bubbly, vivacious, lively	Expressive: Dramatic – expresses themselves with emotion
Elegant: Graceful, stylish	Emotional: Full of emotion
Enchanting: captivating, mesmerizing, delightful	Energetic: Full of energy
Enlightened: Spiritually aware, rational, well-informed	Engaging: Interesting
Enthusiastic: Keen	Excellent: Very good
Expert: An authority on a subject	Exuberant: Full of energy
Fabulous: Wonderful	Fair-minded: Impartial, just
Faithful: True to something	Fantastic: Wonderful, amazing at something
Fearless: Without fear	Flexible: Able to change easily
Focused: Goal orientated	Forceful: Makes change happen, determined
Frank: Speaks honestly and openly	Friendly: Pleasant to others
Funny: Amusing	Generous: Gives to others
Gentle: Uses a light touch	Giving: Gives to others
Gleaming: Shining, very clean	Glimmering: shining with a wavering light
Glistening: Shining with a sparkling light	Glittering: Shining with a shimmering light
Glowing: Lit up from within	Good: Honest
Gorgeous: Beautiful	Gregarious: Sociable, likes company, extroverted
Hard-working: Puts in full effort	Helpful: Looks after others
Hilarious: Extremely funny	Honest: Tells the truth

Humorous: Amusing	Imaginative: Has a vivid imagination
Impartial: Not biased	Incredible: Extremely proficient at something
Independent: Able to support themselves	Inquisitive: Interested, curious
Insightful: Has deep understanding	Intellectual: Intelligent, educated
Intelligent: Clever	Inventive: Creative, comes up with new idea
Kind: Looks after others	Knowledgeable: Intelligent, studied
Kooky: Unusual, different, crazy	Laid-back: Relaxed
Likable: Easily liked by others	Lovely: Good, kind
Loving: Shows affection	Loyal: Consistently supportive
Lustrous: Shining (often to describe hair)	Magnificent: Wonderful
Marvelous: Amazing, stunning	Mirthful: Full of humor, amused
Modest: Doesn't seek credit or well-covered in clothing	Neat: Tidy
Nice: Pleasant	Observant: Sharp-eyed
Open-minded: Willing to listen to alternative ideas	Optimistic: Positive
Organized: Works efficiently and systematically	Outstanding: Beyond normal, very good
Passionate: Feeling strongly, ardent	Patient: Happy to wait
Perfect: No flaws	Persistent: Does not give up
Friendly: Friendly, you can relate to them	Philosophical: Calm reaction to difficulties
Pioneering: Trendsetter, first to do something	Placid: Calm, easy-going
Plucky: Courageous, brave	Polite: Well-mannered
Powerful: Strong, has power	Practical: Skilled at manual tasks
Pro-active: Takes action before it becomes necessary	Productive: Gets lots done
Proficient: Skilled at something	Propitious: Favorable
Qualified: Certified as able to do something	Quick-witted: Intelligent, quick-thinking
Quiet: Not loud	Rational: Thinks without emotion
Ravishing: Delightful, entrancing	Relaxed: Free from tension
Reliable: Consistent, can be relied upon	Remarkable: Unusually skilled or talented
Reserved: Slow to reveal emotions or opinions	Resourceful: Able to find solutions
Responsible: Takes charge, reliable	Romantic: Demonstrates their love
Rousing: Stirs emotions in others	Self-confident: Belief in own abilities
Self-disciplined: controlled	Sensible: Does not make rash decisions
Sensitive: Aware of others	Sincere: Honest and genuine
Sleek: smooth	Sociable: Enjoys company
Spectacular: Wonderful, makes a spectacle	Splendid: Extremely good
Stellar: Exceptionally good	Straightforward: To the point
Stunning: Very beautiful	Stupendous: Extremely impressive
Super: Good	Sympathetic: Cares about others, shows sympathy
Technological: Understands technology	Thoughtful: Thinks of others
Tidy: Neat	Tough: Can withstand hardships
Trustworthy: To be trusted	Twinkling: Shining
Unassuming: Modest	Understanding: Sympathetic to opinions of others
Unique: one-of-a-kind	Upbeat: positive
Versatile: Skilled at different things	Vibrant: Bright, colorful
Vivacious: Full of life	Vivid: Very bright, strong color
Warm-hearted: Kind to others	Willing: Happy to do something
Witty: Verbally clever, amusing	Wondrous: Wonderful

Negative adjectives to describe a person

Abrasive – lacking any softness, tenderness, or tact in their expression	Antisocial – averse to or avoiding the company of others
Alloof – distant or detached from others; keeping others at a distance	Aggressive – ready or likely to confront or to attack; openly antagonistic
Apathetic – lacking any concern or feeling for others; indifferent or insensitive	Artificial – deceptive in appearance; showing a false front
Arrogant – believing oneself to be superior to others and acting like it	Bad-tempered – short-tempered or quick to anger
Belligerent – ready to do battle; hostile or aggressive toward others	Big-headed – having an inflated sense of one's importance or intelligence
Bigoted – prejudiced against and hostile towards those of a different race, religion, or sexual orientation	Boastful – tending to brag about one's accomplishments, possessions, or abilities
Bossy – autocratic or given to ordering people around; domineering	Callous – not affected by the suffering of others
Careless – clumsy or lacking in awareness of the effect of your behavior on others	Chaotic – lacking order or organization; jumbled; messy
Clingy – needing constant reassurance or expressions of affection	Conceited – having an excessively high opinion of oneself or one's abilities
Contemptuous – feeling and showing contempt or hatred toward others	Confrontational – quick to confront others in opposition; argumentative
Condescending – talking down to those they consider less intelligent	Conniving – plotting or scheming to gain a benefit at another's expense
Cowardly – lacking in or acting without courage or honor	Cruel – willfully causing pain and suffering to others; without mercy
Cynical – expecting the worst from a person or from a situation	Deceitful – acting with intent to deceive or trick another
Detached – not interested in another's problems or welfare; free of concern	Dismissive – quick to disregard others or brush them off as unworthy of attention
Disorganized – visibly lacking in organization or any semblance of order	Dishonest – lacking in or acting without honesty
Dogmatic – inflexible in their beliefs; laying down principles as indisputably true	Domineering – expecting full and unconditional obedience from others
Egocentric – self-centered or self-absorbed; focused on serving the ego	Envious – coveting the possessions, status, or accomplishments of others
Facetious – jesting in a way that's (often) inappropriate or provocative	Fawning – flattering or obsequious toward someone to gain approval or favor
Fickle – tending to change one's mind without warning	Finicky – too picky with regard to food or drink
Flaky – tending to forget one's obligations; failing to show up	Foolish – lacking in wisdom or acting without wisdom
Fussy – fastidious or hard to please; over-particular; easily upset	Greedy – amassing and hoarding possessions (or money, food, etc.) to oneself
Grumpy – quick to anger or irritation; irritable; lacking in humor	Gullible – trusting too easily or without good reason
Hedonistic – seeking one's own pleasure; sensually self-indulgent	Hypercritical – quick to criticize others or to complain
Hostile – unfriendly and antagonistic; ready or likely to confront or attack	Idle – spending time unproductively
Impatient – lacking in patience; easily irritated	Inconsiderate – lacking in or acting without consideration for others
Indiscreet – too ready to reveal things that should remain secret or private (TMI)	Ignorant – lacking knowledge needed to make an informed decision
Inflexible – fixed in one's beliefs and unwilling to consider other viewpoints	Intolerant – refusing to tolerate those of a different race, religion, or sexual orientation
Indecisive – unable to make a decision	Indolent – lazy or shiftless; lacking in aspirations, direction, or drive

Irresponsible – lacking in or abdicating responsibility for one's own actions or decisions	Irascible – hot-tempered or easily provoked to anger; volatile
Jealous – feeling threatened when a friend or S.O. is friendly toward another	Judgmental – quick to judge others, typically due to ignorance and/or hubris
Lackadaisical – lacking enthusiasm or determination; apathetic or listless	Lazy – preferring idleness or avoiding work
Machiavellian – seeking one's own benefit at the expense of others; ruthless	Malicious – acting with malice or extreme ill will; malignant
Malevolent – extreme ill will; having or showing a desire to harm someone	Manipulative – calculating or controlling toward another to get a desired result
Meddlesome – having a tendency to insert oneself into another's business	Melodramatic – overly dramatic; using exaggerated gestures or language
Moody – exhibiting drastic mood fluctuations or general low-spiritedness	Morose – gloomy or sullen; ill-humored; pessimistic
Narcissistic – self-centered to the point that others are tools for self-gratification	Naïve – lacking experience or worldly wisdom; gullible
Narrow-minded – refusing to listen to or tolerate contrary viewpoints or new ideas	Nihilistic – believing that life, existence, and moral principles are meaningless
Neurotic – fearful, fixated on negative thoughts	Obnoxious – extremely unpleasant; odious or disgusting
Ostentatious – showy for the sake of being noticed and admired	Patronizing – talking down to those they consider inferior in some way
Pessimistic – tending to believe or expect the worst	Petulant – childishly sulky or peevish; insolent or rude
Pig-headed – stubborn to the point of self-harm or self-destruction	Petty – small-minded or quick to take offense; spiteful or grudging
Philandering – cheating or disposed to cheat on a spouse/partner with another	Pharisaical – hypocritical; quick to impose burdens they're not willing to carry
Possessive – treating another person as one's possession or entitlement	Pompous – acting with arrogance or inflated self-importance
Predatory – preying on others for one's own gratification	Resentful – refusing to forgive
Rude – lacking in manners or concern for the feelings of others; disrespectful	Sadistic – relishing or deriving pleasure from another's pain or suffering
Scheming – given to making secret and/or underhanded plans; devious	Secretive – keeping information to oneself, even when others have a right to it
Shifty – scheming or untrustworthy; given to deception or betrayal	Sneaky – acting to avoid detection, often when involved in wrongdoing
Sullen – sulky, gloomy, or bad-tempered	Supercilious – acting superior or above your company; dismissive or aloof
Thoughtless – lacking in or acting without thought for others	Touchy – quick to anger or easily irritated; irritable
Underhanded – dishonest or devious; secretive and marked by deception	Untrustworthy – unreliable or dishonest; not to be trusted
Unforgiving – refusing to pardon an offense or injury; holding a grudge	Unpredictable – acting in a way no one can predict; defying expectations
Unreliable – lacking in reliability; rewarding trust with disappointment	Vacillating – wavering between different opinions or decisions; irresolute
Vacuous – devoid of intelligence or thought; mindless; inscrutable	Vague – unclear in one's thinking or expression; irresolute or ambiguous
Vain – having a high opinion of one's appearance or the impression one is making	Vindictive – driven to punish those who've crossed them in some way
Violent – using or given to using physical force to harm or kill another	Vulgar – using sexually suggestive language or profanity
Weak-willed – lacking a strong will; easily dominated by another's will	