

THE FLATMATES

Quiz:

Describing people 3



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For each of the six sentences, choose the option that best fits the space.

1. You can't meet my parents looking like that! Your clothes are dirty and you need a shave. They prefer people who are much more...
 - a. charming
 - b. cultured
 - c. clean-cut
 - d. tolerant

2. He says all the right things but you can tell he doesn't really mean what he says. He's very...
 - a. insincere
 - b. hypocritical
 - c. snobbish
 - d. spiteful

3. I've never met anybody who thinks like you before, but don't worry, I'm very...
 - a. respectable
 - b. snobbish
 - c. open-minded
 - d. considerate

4. She's normally very sweet, but when it comes to competitions, she's absolutely... She has to win no matter what.
 - a. ruthless
 - b. creepy
 - c. materialistic
 - d. insincere

5. You shouted at the neighbours, and you got drunk at my birthday party! Why can't you be more...?
 - a. charming
 - b. cultured
 - c. open-minded
 - d. respectable

6. When I won first prize in the competition, she told everybody that I had cheated, but I hadn't. She's ...
 - a. malicious and spiteful
 - b. creepy and insincere
 - c. ruthless and hypocritical
 - d. materialistic and mercenary

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Answers

1. You can't meet my parents looking like that! Your clothes are dirty and you need a shave. They prefer people who are much more ...
 - a. charming – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who is clean and well-presented.
 - b. cultured – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who is clean and well-presented.
 - c. clean-cut – Correct – this word describes someone who is clean and well-presented.**
 - d. tolerant – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who is clean and well-presented.

2. He says all the right things but you can tell he doesn't really mean what he says. He's very...
 - a. insincere – Correct – this word describes someone who does not tell the truth about their feelings.**
 - b. hypocritical – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who does not tell the truth about their feelings.
 - c. snobbish – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who does not tell the truth about their feelings.
 - d. spiteful – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who does not tell the truth about their feelings.

3. I've never met anybody who thinks like you before, but don't worry, I'm very...
 - a. respectable – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who accepts new ideas, experiences and arguments.
 - b. snobbish – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who accepts new ideas, experiences and arguments.
 - c. open-minded – Correct – this word describes someone who accepts new ideas, experiences and arguments.**
 - d. considerate – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who accepts new ideas, experiences and arguments.

4. She's normally very sweet, but when it comes to competitions, she's absolutely... She has to win no matter what.
 - a. ruthless – Correct – this word describes someone who is without pity or mercy.**
 - b. creepy – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who is without pity or mercy.
 - c. materialistic – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who is without pity or mercy.
 - d. insincere – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who is without pity or mercy.

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5. You shouted at the neighbours, and you got drunk at my birthday party! Why can't you be more...?
- a. charming – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who behaves in a proper and socially acceptable way.
 - b. cultured – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who behaves in a proper and socially acceptable way.
 - c. open-minded – Wrong – You need a word that describes someone who behaves in a proper and socially acceptable way.
 - d. respectable – Correct – this word describes someone who behaves in a proper and socially acceptable way.**
6. When I won first prize in the competition, she told everybody that I had cheated, but I hadn't. She's ...
- a. malicious and spiteful – Correct – these words describe someone who deliberately does bad things to other people.**
 - b. creepy and insincere – Wrong – You need words that describe someone who deliberately does bad things to other people.
 - c. ruthless and hypocritical – Wrong – You need words that describe someone who deliberately does bad things to other people.
 - d. materialistic and mercenary – Wrong – You need words that describe someone who deliberately does bad things to other people.

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