

## Personality and appearance gender guessing game

### Worksheet 1

*Describe a man or woman, boy or girl that you know or know about (e.g. a famous person or an acquaintance) without saying their gender. It doesn't matter if your partner knows the person you are talking about or not. For each sentence you say without your partner guessing if they are male or female, you get one point. Your partner can only guess once. If they are right they get five points, but if they are wrong you get five points.*

*Continue with appearance words from the worksheet.*

*Continue with personality words from the worksheet.*

*Continue with a combination of the two.*

*(NB. The words that are on the same line in the worksheets below have meanings that are similar, but not exactly the same.)*

## Appearance

This person is neatly dressed/ smartly dressed.

This person is skinny/ slim/ just skin and bones.

This person is muscular.

This person has long legs.

This person has hairy legs.

This person has nice legs

This person is very tall and thin/ is lanky

This person wears a lot of jewellery.

This person has piercing eyes.

This person has long eyelashes.

This person is very fashionable.

This person has good taste in clothes.

This person never has a hair out of place.

This person has a kind smile.

This person has a bald patch/ has a receding hair line/ is going bald

This person has glossy hair

This person has dyed ginger/ red/ brown/ blond hair

This person has a tattoo on the upper arm/ lower arm/ shoulder blade/ face/ next/ calf/  
back

This person has long hair/ shoulder length hair

This person has very short hair/ a skin head/ a buzz cut/ a crew cut

This person has a perm

This person has a beer belly

This person has fat hips

This person has a scar on the chin/ face/ hairline

This person has broad shoulders

This person wears lots of jewelry/ a ring/ a necklace/ dangly earrings/ bracelets/ a  
crucifix

This person has a pierced tongue/ eyebrow/ nipple/ ears/ nose

This person has big lips

This person wears skin tight jeans/ tops

This person has plucked eyebrows

This person is slovenly

This person wears slip on shoes/ a waistcoat

## Personality

This person is vain.

This person is brave/ courageous

This person is bitchy/ critical

This person is caring.

This person is sensitive.

This person is ambitious/ a go-getter

This person is proactive.

This person is conservative.

This person is single-minded/ obsessive

This person has good communication skills/ is a good listener

This person is assertive/ bossy/ is a natural leader

This person is thorough.

This person is punctual.

This person is a sexist.

This person is energetic.

This person is rude/ impolite

This person is pushy.

This person has good intuition.

This person is ego-centric.

This person is impulsive.

This person is adaptable/ flexible.

This person is tactful/ discreet.

This person is determined/ stubborn.

This person is materialistic.

This person is petty/ fussy.

This person is frank/ outspoken.

This person is aggressive.

This person is perceptive.

This person is impatient.

This person is absent minded/ careless.

This person is indecisive/ a procrastinator.

This person is a fashion victim.

This person is arrogant

This person is ego-centric

This person is changeable/ moody/ unstable

This person is materialistic

This person is frank/ outspoken/ opinionated

This person is witty

This person is dependable/ reliable/ conscientious

This person is dependant/ insecure

This person is a good listener

This person is neurotic

This person is a gossip

This person is a backstabber/ is two faced

This person is insincere/ is a flatterer/ is an arse licker

This person is tactless/ too direct

This person is negative/ is a complainer/ is a winger

This person is eccentric

This person is a showoff

*Switch roles and continue until your teacher tells you to stop.*

*Go through the lists and decide whether in your country each one is more prevalent in women (W), more prevalent in men (M) or totally equal (E).*

*Do you think any of the above could be a problem in the workplace?*

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### Worksheet 2- HR and Recruitment Discussions and Roleplay

*Decide if you would employ the people below for a job in your company, and if so for which job(s). Would you need to ask them to change anything or explain anything about the job and/ or the company before you offered them the job and they started work?*

1. In the job interview, this person told you lots of inside gossip about their present company, which is one of your chief competitors
2. This person has a tattoo in a place where it is very difficult or impossible to hide
3. This person has a pierced nose. Although you could ask them to take it out at work, you would still be able to see the hole if you look closely.
4. This person is a high flier with an exceptional educational background, but they spent the whole job interview boasting about their achievements
5. This person came to the interview wearing a nice suit but with a food stain on one sleeve and their shirt not properly tucked in
6. This person never stops telling jokes
7. This person mentioned several things that they think are wrong with your company that they would like to help change in the job interview
8. This person was wearing a very expensive suit and watch but was only applying for a starter level position
9. This person wrote down everything you said during the job interview and then asked you the 15 questions they had written, ticking off each one as you answered it

*Roleplay the second interviews with the people above*

*Match sentences 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 to the words on Worksheet 1*

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**Worksheet 3- Language Work and Further Practice**

**Language Work**

*Without looking at Worksheet 1, fill the gaps in the sentences below with one or two words*

This person \_\_\_\_\_ bossy.

This person \_\_\_\_\_ good communication skills.

This person \_\_\_\_\_ good listener.

*Look at Worksheet 1 and check your answers.*

*Put these words into each of the sentences above:*

Quite/ very/ extremely/ not very

**Further practice**

*Continue the game until your teacher tells you to stop, but this time without looking at the sentences above.*

**Discussion**

*As a class, discuss which sentences were easiest to guess the gender by.*

*Do you think any of the sentences above are usually true for one gender much more than the other? How do you think this affects which jobs males and females do in your country?*

*Are there any other ways of telling the gender of someone before you meet them?*