

21ST CENTURY CHARACTER TRAITS

ADAPTIVE

Modifies existing to make suitable for new use or purpose

AMBITIOUS

Shows a strong desire or determination to succeed

AMIABLE

Displays a friendly or pleasant manner

ANXIOUS

Experiences worry or nervousness over imminent events with uncertain outcomes

APPRECIATIVE

Shows gratitude or pleasure

ARGUMENTATIVE

Given to expressing divergent or opposing views.

ARTICULATE

Able to express ideas fluently and coherently

ARROGANT

Has an exaggerated sense of one's own importance or abilities

ATTENTIVE

Takes special time and care of tasks or the wishes of others

CHARISMATIC

Exercises a compelling charm that inspires devotion of others

CAUTIOUS

Takes care to avoid potential problems or dangers

COMPASSIONATE

Feels or shows sympathy and concern for others

CONFIDENT

Believes that one can rely on someone or something

CONSCIENTIOUS

Wishes to do what is right; does one's work or duty well and thoroughly

COLLABORATIVE

Works well with others to produce

CONTENTIOUS

Causes or is likely to cause an argument or controversy

DECISIVE

Shows the ability to make decisions quickly and effectively

DEDICATED

Devoted to a task or purpose

DEPENDABLE

Trustworthy and reliable

DETERMINED

Makes firm decision to find a solutions or resolve problems

DIGNIFIED

Shows composed or serious manner that is worthy of respect

DILIGENT

Shows care and conscientiousness in one's work or duties

EFFICIENT

Achieves maximum productivity with minimum wasted effort

ENERGETIC

Shows great activity or strength of energy

ENTHUSIASTIC

Shows intense and eager enjoyment, interest, or approval

FORTHRIGHT

Direct, outspoken; straightforward and honest

GENUINE

Truly what a person, emotion, or action is said to be; authentic; sincere

GREGARIOUS

Fond of company; willing to talk and engage in activities with other people

HUMBLE

Has or shows a moderate or low estimate of one's own importance or abilities

ICONOCLASTIC

Willing to attack cherished beliefs or institutions

IDIOSYNCRATIC

Distinctive or peculiar characteristics or behavior

IGNORANT

Lacks awareness, knowledge, or information

IMAGINATIVE

Shows creativity or inventiveness

IMPASSIVE

Doesn't feel or show emotion

IMPULSIVE

Acts or does without forethought

INCISIVE

Displays an intelligent, analytical and clear-thinking mental process

INDEPENDENT

Free from outside control; doesn't depend on another's authority

INDIVIDUALISTIC

Characterized by independence; relies on own resources rather than those of others

INNOVATIVE

Introduces new ideas; original and creative in thinking

LOGICAL

Characterized by capability of clear and sound reasoning

METICULOUS

Shows great attention to detail; very careful and precise

OPTIMISTIC

Hopeful and confident about the future

OUTSPOKEN

Frank and direct in stating opinions especially if they are critical or controversial

PERCEPTIVE

Shows sensitive insight

PERSISTENT

Continuing firmly in a course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition

PERSUASIVE

Good at using reasoning or logic to convince someone to do or believe something

RATIONAL

Able to think clearly, sensibly or logically

RELATABLE

Enables a person to feel connected to someone or something

RESOURCEFUL

Able to find quick and clever ways to overcome difficulties

RESPONSIBLE

Capable of being trusted with important duties, independent decision making or control of others

SINCERE

Says or acts from genuine feelings or beliefs; free from deceit

THOROUGH

Takes care to do something carefully and completely

THOUGHTFUL

Shows consideration for the needs of other people

TRUSTWORTHY

Able to be relied on as honest or truthful