

**3 GRAMMAR FOCUS**

**Relative pronouns**

**As the subject of a clause**

I like guys **who/that** aren't too serious.  
I like guys **who/that** have a good sense of humor.

**As the object of a clause**

I'd prefer someone **(who/that)** I have fun with.  
I'd prefer someone **(who/that)** I can talk to easily.

**A** Match the information in columns A and B. Then compare with a partner.

**A**

1. I don't want to have a partner who/that .....d.....
2. I enjoy teachers who/that .....
3. I'd prefer a roommate who/that .....
4. I don't like to be with people who/that .....
5. I discuss my problems with friends who/that .....
6. I'd like to have a boss who/that .....
7. I like to meet people who/that .....

**B**

- a. help me understand things easily.
- b. I respect as a leader.
- c. have a good sense of humor.
- d. I have nothing in common with.
- e. can give me good advice.
- f. I don't feel comfortable around.
- g. is quiet, considerate, and neat.

**B** Put a line through *who/that* in part A if it's optional. Then compare with a partner.

**C PAIR WORK** Complete the sentences in column A with your own information. Do you and your partner have similar opinions?

- A: I don't want to have a partner who isn't a good listener.  
B: Neither do I. I don't want to have a partner who doesn't have a positive attitude either.

**4 WORD POWER Personalities**

**A** Match the words with the definitions. Then decide whether the words are positive (**P**) or negative (**N**). Write **P** or **N** after each word.

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| 1. easygoing ..... <b>P</b>     | a. a person who doesn't change easily and is stubborn        |
| 2. egotistical ..... <b>N</b>   | b. someone who doesn't like sharing                          |
| 3. inflexible ..... <b>N</b>    | c. someone who has a very high opinion of him- or herself    |
| 4. modest ..... <b>P</b>        | d. someone who is helpful and encouraging                    |
| 5. sociable ..... <b>P</b>      | e. a person who doesn't do what he or she promised           |
| 6. stingy ..... <b>N</b>        | f. a person who enjoys being with other people               |
| 7. supportive ..... <b>P</b>    | g. a person who has unpredictable or irregular moods         |
| 8. temperamental ..... <b>N</b> | h. a person who doesn't worry much or get angry easily       |
| 9. unreliable ..... <b>N</b>    | i. someone who doesn't brag about his or her accomplishments |

**PAIR WORK** Cover the definitions. Take turns talking about the adjectives in your own words.

easygoing person is someone who ..."

**PAIR WORK** Think of at least two adjectives to describe yourself. Then tell a partner.

Complete the sentences with the correct idioms

1. My friend is a Canuck from Toronto.
2. Last winter was really brutal. It snowed a lot and the temperature was freezing everyday.
3. Most soccer fans today feel like Messi or Ronaldo is the GOAT.
4. Don't be a crybaby and stop complaining.
5. I'm tired of my teacher bashing me. I wish he would praise me sometime.
6. A: Sorry I forgot your birthday.  
B: It's ok. It's all good.
7. He's not very fashionable. He's always wearing grungy clothes.
8. IU's a real babe. She's one of the most beautiful singers in Korea.
9. The cabbie drove me from the train station to Mokwon University.
10. She was ready for vacation, because she was burned out from studying all the time.
11. I usually feel cranky if I don't sleep enough.
12. He needs to get a grip because he's really out of control.
13. She's a Brit from London.
14. He smokes about 2 packs of cancer sticks a day.
15. A: What did you think of the concert?  
B: Oh, it was great! That singer is a wicked singer and dancer.
16. What should I do? Should I major in English or marketing? I'm not interested in either one., but my parents want me to choose one. It really is a no-win situation.
17. That guy's full of crap. Don't believe anything he says!
18. I met a Kiwi from Auckland during winter vacation.

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- b. kiwi
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- i. a no-win situation
- j. babe
- k. bashing
- l. Brit
- m. Canuck
- n. cranky
- o. crap

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<http://esl-bits.net/idioms>

1. game for anything (ready to try anything)
2. what's your beef? (what's your complaint?)
3. rear end (your bottom)
4. ex (former boyfriend/girlfriend or wife/husband)
5. play it safe (not take any chances)
6. super duper (really good)
7. fill me in (give me the details)
8. a slim chance (not likely to happen)
9. charley horse (cramp in a calf muscle)
10. wino (alcoholic / drinks too much)
11. break curfew (stay out later than the rules allow)
12. hang-up (a fear or phobia or personal problem)
13. hand me down (used clothes)
14. a hassle (a problem or bother)
15. pushing fifty (almost 50 years old)
16. have a flat (have a flat tire on your bike or car)