

Describing people: compound adjectives

1. generous-spirited – “suurisydäminen”
2. Hard-hearted – kovasydäminen
3. Traditionally-minded – perinteinen
4. Weak-willed – “heikkotahtoinen” (lujaluonteisen vastakohta)
5. Tight-fisted - pihi
6. Self-centred – itsekeskeinen
7. Short-tempered – äkkipikainen
8. Thin-skinned – herkkänahkainen
9. Long-winded – pitkäveteinen
10. Cool-headed – järkevä, maltillinen (myös ‘level-headed’)
11. Dim-witted - tyhmä
12. Two-faced – kaksinaamainen
13. Absent-minded – hajamielinen
14. Ill-mannered – huonotapainen
15. Loud-mouthed – suurisuinen, kovaääninen

Adverbs for emphasis – huomaa sanajärjestys!

1. I can safely say – voin “rehellisesti” todeta (~ olen Varma)
2. I bitterly regret – kadun katkerasti
3. Strongly oppose – ovat vahvasti kännyköiden käyttöä vastaan
4. Firmly denies – kieltää painokkaasti
5. Genuinely believes – uskoo todella (‘aidosti’)
6. I seriously feel – koen “vahvasti”
7. Strictly forbids – kieltää ehdottomasti
8. Fully accept – hyväksymme täysin
9. I sincerely doubt – epäilen aidosti
10. I distinctly recall – muistan selvästi

Formal writing – replacing ‘thing’

1. The question of equal opportunity is the **key issue** in the debate.
2. What is the first **item on the agenda**?
3. Social media is not a **subject I know much about**.
4. The recession was caused by a number of **factors**.
5. When building a team, **three areas** to consider are diversity, leadership and goal setting.
6. Those are the **good points** about the plan. What about the drawbacks?
7. It is a complex problem with **a number of aspects** that need to be considered.
8. The municipality usually **deals with these matters**.
9. We welcome the report although there are one or two **details** we are unsure about.
10. Student success usually depends on **three elements - motivation, organisation and luck**.