Characterization 1

open-minded parents aufgeschlossen

willing to consider and accept other people's ideas and opinions

a narrow-minded [--'--]

engstirnig

politician

unwilling to accept or understand new or different ideas, opinions,

or customs

prejudiced views (~ against

sb./sth.)

voreingenommen (gegenüber)

(disapproving) having an unreasonable dislike of people who belong

to a different race, sex, or religion

an **enthusiastic** crowd begeistert

feeling or showing a lot of interest and excitement about something

a **zealous** ['zeləs] preacher fanatisch

(disapproving) extremely enthusiastic e.g. a political or religious

idea which you believe in very strongly

a **modest** appearance bescheiden

not wanting to talk about one's abilities or achievements

a **vain** facial expression eitel

(disapproving) too proud of one's good looks, abilities or position

an **arrogant** attitude arrogant, überheblich

behaving in an unpleasant or rude way because you think you are

more important than other people

a **snobbish** remark snobistisch

you think you are better than other people because you are from a

higher social class

a **boastful** interview angeberisch

talking too proudly about yourself

an **outgoing** ['-] partner kontaktfreudig

liking to meet and talk to new people

an **easy-going** lifestyle gelassen, entspannt

not easily upset, annoyed, or worried

a (**self-**)**confident** reply selbstbewusst

sure that you can do things well, that people like you etc

a **dominant** mother dominant

(disapproving) controlling or trying to control other people

an **extroverted** ['-] woman extrovertiert

having a confident character and enjoying the company of other

people

an **introverted** young man introvertiert

quiet and shy, not enjoying being with other people

a **reserved** young man zurückhaltend

unwilling to express your emotions or talk about your problems

a **shy** smile schüchtern

nervous and embarrassed about meeting or speaking to other people

a **timid** reaction ängstlich

not having courage or confidence

Characterization 2

a self-conscious [-'--] teenager befangen, gehemmt

worried and embarrassed about what you look like or what other

people think of you

a **generous** offer großzügig

willing to give money, spend time etc, in order to help people or give

them pleasure

a **mean** old man geizig

not wanting to spend money

a **materialistic** attitude materialistisch

(disapproving) concerned only with money and possessions

petty ['peti] jealousy kleinlich

unkind and caring too much about small unimportant things

a **fussy** housekeeper pingelig, umständlich

very concerned about small, usually unimportant details

a selfish/self-centered man egoistisch

(disapproving) caring only about yourself and not about other

people

an **ambitious** plan ehrgeizig

determined to be successful, rich, powerful etc

a hard-working student fleißig

working with a lot of effort

a **demanding** boss anspruchsvoll

expecting to have things exactly the way you want them

an **imaginative** child phantasievoll

very good at thinking of new and unusual ways of doing things

a **sensitive** child (~ to sth.) empfindlich (gegenüber)

getting upset too easily

an **assertive** woman energisch

behaving confidently so that they get what they want

a **determined** effort entschlossen

having a strong desire to do something, so that you will not let

anyone stop you

an **indecisive** leader unentschlossen

unable to make clear decisions or choices

a **forgetful** professor vergesslich

often forgetting things

a **ruthless** dictator rücksichtslos

so determined to get what you want that you do not care if you have

to hurt other people

a **vicious** ['vɪ(əs] comment bösartig

very unkind in a way that is intended to hurt someone's feelings

a **malicious** rumour boshaft

very unkind and cruel, and deliberately behaving in a way that is

likely to upset or hurt someone

Characterization 3

a **spiteful** liar gehässig

deliberately nasty to someone in order to hurt or upset them

a **courageous** [kəˈreɪdʒəs]

decision brave

a **cowardly** attack feig

not at all brave

a **well-mannered** [-'--] boy wohlerzogen

talking and behaving in a polite way

a **rude** remark unhöflich, unverschämt

speaking or behaving in a way that is not polite and is likely to

offend or annoy people

a considerate daughter (~

towards sb.)

rücksichtsvoll (gegenüber)

always thinking of what other people need or want

a **gentle** touch sanft(mütig)

kind and careful, so that you do not hurt or damage anyone

an **affectionate** hug liebevoll

showing in a gentle way that you love someone and care about them

a **tender** kiss zärtlich

gentle and careful in a way that shows love

a **passionate** speech leidenschaftlich

believing something very strongly

a **smart** kid clever

intelligent

a **naive** [nar'i:v] belief naiv

not having much experience of how complicated life is, so that you

trust people too much

a down-to-earth guy praktisch

practical and direct in a sensible honest way

a **stubborn** refusal stur

determined not to change your mind, even when people think you

are being unreasonable

a likeable (also: likable) sympathisch

character nice and easy to like

a **tolerant** community (~ of

sb./sth.)

tolerant (gegenüber)

allowing people to do, say, or believe what they want without

criticizing or punishing them

a **reliable** friend zuverlässig

someone that can be trusted or depended on

a **dedicated** teacher engagiert

working very hard because you care a lot about it

a **trustworthy** salesman vertrauenswürdig

someone who can be trusted and depended on