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UNIT 1 My Best Friend

WARM UP

Describe the people in the pictures. Use the words in the box to help you.



David is ... He has got ...

Useful words / phrases:

- tall / short / thin / fat brown hair / blonde hair
- long hair / short hair
 a friendly smile



Cathy is ... She has got...

READING FOR IDEAS

1a Read the description of Helen's best friend, Liz.



My best friend is Liz. She is twelve years old. She is from Manchester.

Liz is very pretty. She has got long fair hair and big blue eyes. She is tall and thin. She has got a lovely friendly smile too.

Liz is a very clever girl. She is funny too. She has got a lot of friends. She has got a brother and a sister too. Her brother is ten years old and her sister is eight.

b Find words in the description that are the *opposites* of the following words:

1	ugly	pretty	4	small	
2	short		5	short	
2	dark		6	fat	

c Now tick (✓) the photo which shows Liz.



thin: αδύνατος fat: χοντρός

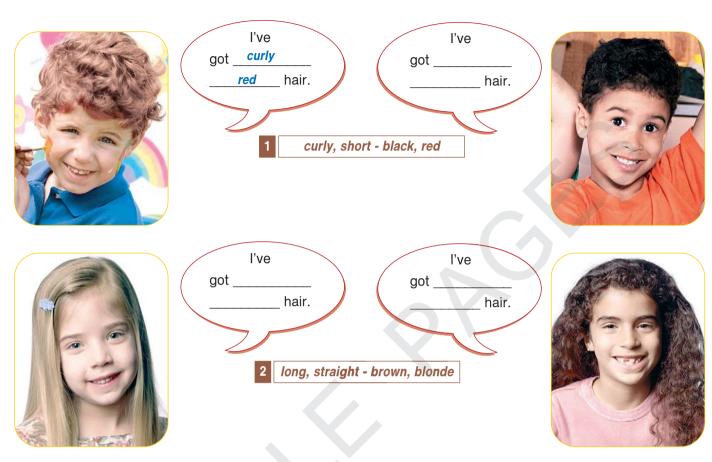
hair: μαλλιά blonde: ξανθός

friendly: φιλικός smile: χαμόγελο pretty: χαριτωμένος

lovely: ωραίος fair: ανοιχτόχρωμος, ξανθός clever: έξυπνος funny: αστείος ugly: άσχημος dark: σκούρος

3 VOCABULARY DEVELOPMENT

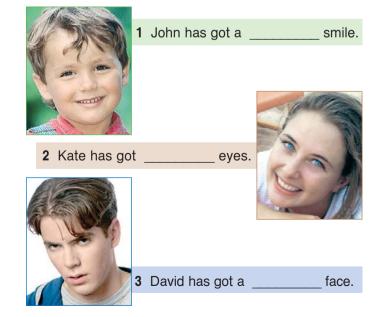
1 The photos below show some best friends. Complete what the children are saying, using the words in each box.



2 Write the *adjectives* under the correct pictures. *clever*, *kind*, *funny*, *serious*



3 Complete the descriptions using the adjectives.
handsome, friendly, pretty



curly: σγουρός

straight: ίσιος

kind: ευγενικός, καλός

serious: σοβαρός

handsome: ωραίος (για άνδρες)

4 WRITING PRACTICE

1 Write the sentences in two ways, as in the example. 2 Write sentences with too, as in the example. Sandra is clever and funny. brown eyes Sandra is clever. She is funny too. He has got brown 1 Jack is kind and friendly. eyes. His eyes are brown 2 Angela is tall and thin. fair hair 3 Harry is quiet and serious. She _____ Her 3 Write a sentence about your best friend. Use the words in the box, as in the example. black tall long brown short short long legs He / She is with fair hair thin straight blonde fat curly She red Her _ John is my best friend. He is short with straight brown hair. a beautiful smile She Her **COMMON MISTAKES** Tick (\checkmark) the correct sentences. 4 Mark has got and brown eyes and brown hair. **1** Susan is eleven years. Susan is eleven years old. Mark has got brown eyes and brown hair. 2 We have the same age. 5 Paul is very beautiful. We are the same age. Paul is very handsome. 3 His hair is black. 6 She is a nice girl. His hair has got black colour. She is nice girl.

quiet: ήσυχος same: ίδιος age: ηλικία

beautiful: ωραία

too: επίσης, και

6 WRITING TASK

Write* a description of your best friend. Before you start:

STEP 1: Oral Preparation

Answer the questions.

- 1 Who is your best friend?
- 2 How old is he / she?
- **3** Where is he / she from?
- 4 Is he / she...? (handsome (boy) / pretty (girl) tall / short)
- 5 What colour eyes has he / she got?
- 6 What colour is his / her hair?
- 7 Talk about his / her character. (Is he / she clever, funny, serious, quiet, friendly, kind?)
- 8 Has he / she got brothers or sisters?



STEP 2: Plan

Paragraph one:

Give your best friend's name and age. Say where he / she is from.

Paragraph two:

Describe your best friend.

Paragraph three:

Describe your best friend's character. Say if he / she has got brothers or sisters.



STEP 3: Useful Language

- has curly / straight hair
- is tall / short
- is kind / very nice
- is handsome / pretty
- has a lovely / friendly smile
- is eleven / eleven years old
- is a clever / funny person
- hasn't got brothers or sisters

[* For each writing task, write between 60 and 80 words.]

character: χαρακτήρας describe: περιγράφω

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