**People I Don’t Like**

**Instructions:** The table has a list of words that are commonly used to describe bad behaviour or people who behave badly. Use the hints that are in **bold** and underlined to help you choose the correct words to put in the spaces. Once you are finished, find a classmate and have a conversation using the completed discussion questions. Please remember that most of these words are offensive. They need to be used correctly and in the right situation to avoid offending people.

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| cocky | sketchy | bitchy | prick/jerk |
| stickler | creep | sleazy | douche/douchebag |

1. During the day, when are you the most \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? Do you feel **easily irritated** before your morning cup of coffee or when you are stuck in traffic?
2. When you play a board game, are you a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? In life, do you always try to **follow every little rule**?
3. What would **make you feel** more **uncomfortable**, a person staring at you or a person taking a picture of you without permission? What a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!
4. Why do some professions seem to attract **overly confident, arrogant** people? Do you think you need to be a little \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be successful as a(n)
   1. salesman
   2. surgeon
   3. actor
   4. rock star
5. Have you ever slept in a hotel, motel or hostel that was a little \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? What made you **feel uneasy** about staying there?
6. Can you think of any **inappropriate actions** that might be considered \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ behavior in your culture, but might be acceptable in other places around the world?
7. Did you ever have a teacher who was a bit of a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? What made them such **an unlikeable, mean person**?
8. There is a stereotype that politicians are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? Do you think this is true? Are their any other professions with a lot of **lying, dishonest** people?

**Definitions:**

**bitchy (adj.)** – someone who is often mean, rude, or complains a lot in a way that hurts others.  
*Example: She was in a bad mood and said some really bitchy things to her coworkers.*

**cocky (adj.)** – too confident in a way that seems rude or annoying.  
*Example: He was so cocky about winning the game that no one wanted to congratulate him.*

**creep (n.)** – a person who makes others feel uncomfortable, often because they act in a strange or scary way.  
*Example: That guy keeps staring at us—he’s such a creep.*

**douche/douchebag (n.)** – A rude or selfish person who acts like they are better than others. (very informal and impolite)  
*Example: He was acting like a total douchebag when he made fun of the waiter.*

**prick/jerk (n.)** – a person who is mean, rude, or unkind (both words are impolite, but "prick" is stronger.)  
*Example: He didn’t even say sorry after pushing me—what a jerk!*

**sketchy (adj.)** – not safe or not trustworthy.  
*Example: That street looks a little sketchy at night. Let’s walk a different way.*

**sleazy (adj.)** – dishonest, immoral, or cheap in a bad way.  
*Example: The salesman used a lot of sleazy tricks to get people to buy the car.*

**stickler (n.)** – a person who always follows rules and wants others to do the same.  
*Example: Our teacher is a stickler for good grammar and always corrects us.*

**Correct Answers:**

1. bitchy 2. stickler 3. creep 4. cocky 5. sketchy 6. douche/douchebag   
7. jerk/prick 8. sleazy