

4 Describing your best friend. Using the plan and the model text below, write a description of your best friend. Opisovanje najboljšega prijatelja/najboljše prijateljice. Ob pomoči spodnjega načrta in vzorčnega besedila napiši opis svojega najboljšega prijatelja/svoje najboljše prijateljice.

Načrt

uvod

1. odstavek name, where/when you met, how long you have known each other, etc.



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2. odstavek age, physical appearance (height, weight, hair, ...), clothes
3. odstavek personality (i.e. his/her character), why you get on well, etc. (+ justify your opinion)
4. odstavek (your common) hobbies/interests/likes/dislikes



zaključek

5. odstavek your feelings/comments about him/her (explain why you think your friend is a good friend)

Model text

My best friend

I first met Lara seven years ago, on my very first day at school, so I've known her for quite a long time. We soon became best friends and we often spend our free time together.

Lara is fourteen years old and she is a pretty teenage girl. She is tall and slim, with fair hair, bright blue eyes, and a small straight nose. She likes wearing casual clothes, such as jeans, T-shirts, and trainers. She has a great sense of humour, and I love to listen to her amusing stories. She is sometimes naughty, but she is so friendly and cheerful that everybody likes her. Sometimes she is a bit bossy because she likes telling people what to do.

She likes the same things as I do, such as music, sports and books, and we both enjoy the same TV shows and films. We often go on long bike rides. I can always call her for a chat, and she listens to me when I want to talk about my problems.

All in all, life is never dull when Lara is around. Who wouldn't be happy to have such a reliable, energetic and optimistic friend? She makes my life so much fun.

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Nasvet!



- Kadar opisujemo zunanji videz neke osebe, po navadi začnemo z bolj splošnimi značilnostmi (npr. višina, postava, starost), in nadaljujemo z bolj določenimi (npr. oči, nos, lasje itd.).
- Kot del zunanosti neke osebe po navadi opišemo tudi oblačila, ki jih ta človek nosi.
 - Joe is tall, well-built man in his twenties. He has got beautiful green eyes, dark brown hair and a beard. He usually wears blue jeans and sweaters.
- Kadar opisujemo značaj oziroma osebnost neke osebe, moramo svoje **mnenje** tudi **utemeljiti**. To pomeni, da moramo pojasniti, zakaj tako mislimo, in/ali navesti primere, ki pojasnjujejo našo trditev.
 - (*mnenje*):
 - Rob is a very patient person.
 - (*utemeljitev*):
 - He is always calm and never loses his temper.
 - (*mnenje*) + (*utemeljitev*):
 - She tends to be a bit bossy sometimes, because she likes telling people what to do.
 - He is very sociable and loves meeting people.
 - He is very selfish because he cares only about himself.
- Za opisovanje oseb uporabljamo **sedanjik** (present simple tense).
- Pri opisovanju uporabi različne načine povezovanja povedi (npr. *and, as well as, who, with, so, also, for example, because, what is more, however* itd.):
 - Jerry has got big blue eyes. He's got dark, curly hair.
 - Jerry has got big blue eyes **and** dark, curly hair.
 - Jerry has got big blue eyes **as well as** dark, curly hair.
 - Jerry is a plump boy. He's got dark, curly hair.
 - Jerry is a plump boy **who** has got dark, curly hair.
 - Jerry is a plump boy **with** dark, curly hair.
 - My sister is a very hard-working person **who** doesn't mind working long hours. She **also** wants to become successful, **so** she is very ambitious.
 - Laura is a very sociable girl. **For example**, she loves going to parties and meeting people. **What is more**, she is a very cheerful person **because** she is always in a good mood. **However**, she can be a bit impatient sometimes, **because** she gets angry if she has to wait for something.

