

Life Pre-intermediate Writing worksheet

Answer key

Units 11 & 12 Writing a description of a person

1 Students' own answers

2 A best friend / Students' own answers

3 *Janie* → *Her appearance* – substitution to avoid repetition of proper noun *Janie*

She's big and strong → *She'll tall and athletic* – substitution of adjectives to provide a stronger link to the following sentence

... people often ask to sign something → *... people often ask her for her autograph* – correction of grammar *looks like*; correction of grammar *ask her*; more specific vocabulary used to make meaning clearer

She funny because she tells silly stories. → *She's funny because she tells hilarious stories.* – correction of grammar *She's funny*; change from *silly* to *hilarious* to sound more positive

4 striking – noticeable

strong – athletic

full of energy – active

silly – hilarious

amazing – good

5 2 Janie's appearance is very striking.

4 As I said, Janie and I are best friends.

3 I'd describe Janie as both fun AND funny.

1 Let me tell you about Janie.

6 1C, 2D, 3B, 4A

7 Students' own answers

8 and 9 Students' own answers

Model answer

Who: Buddy the Elf

What they look like: very tall, curly hair, dressed in an Elf costume, bright yellow tights

What they're like: good, caring, very funny, annoying

Why you like them: innocent like a child, likes eating sweets, a person you want to have in your life

10 *Her appearance is, I'd describe her as both ... and ..., She's the ... I know, She's always ...,*

11 Model answer

My favourite movie character is Buddy in *Elf*. You can't help loving this character. I'll tell you why.

Buddy, a human who believes he's an Elf, arrives from the North Pole to New York, dressed in an elf's costume, complete with bright yellow tights! He really stands out in the crowd.

I love his character because, despite being an adult, he's so innocent and full of fun just like a child. His adventures in the city are hilarious.

Buddy is always optimistic and would always cheer you up if you felt sad. I'd like to have Buddy in my life! (100 words)

12 Students' own answers

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