

# FILM ENGLISH

## Kindness

**Language level:** Intermediate (B1) -  
Upper-intermediate (B2.1)

**Learner type:** Teens and adults

**Time:** 60 minutes

**Activity:** Revising vocabulary, watching a  
short film and speaking

**Topic:** Kindness

**Language:** Adjectives to describe  
character

**Material:** A short film



## Overview

This lesson is designed around a short film by Amy Krouse Rosenthal and Thought Bubble, and the theme of kindness. Students practise vocabulary related to character, listening and speaking.

### Step 1

Tell your students that you are going to create an A-Z of adjectives to describe character. Choose one student and tell them to say an adjective which begins with 'a', the next students has to come up with an adjective beginning with 'b', and so on until you have gone through the alphabet.

### Step 2

Ask students the following question:

*How do you want to be remembered?*

Give them a few minutes to think, and then ask them to write down adjectives which describe how they would like to be remembered. Next put them into pairs to explain the adjectives they have used. Get feedback from the class and write up on the board the adjectives which have been mentioned the most.

**Step 3**

Tell your students they are going to watch a short film which asks the question:

*How do you want to be remembered?*

Ask them which characteristic the narrator says is the most important. Show the film and then get feedback from the class.

The narrator says that kindness is the most important characteristic. Ask your students if they agree.

Link: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N\\_OZUaQondo&list=FLYvTG1jpRx7DFga8C19WhTg&index=10&feature=plpp\\_video](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N_OZUaQondo&list=FLYvTG1jpRx7DFga8C19WhTg&index=10&feature=plpp_video)

**Step 4**

Tell your students that they are going to watch the film again, this time they should make notes using the following headings:

- An old lady in a shop
- Society and kindness

- What kindness requires
- A doctor and a patient
- Mankind
- A happy ending

After watching, students should compare their answers. Get feedback from the whole class.

## Step 5

Put students into small groups and tell them to come up with practical ways in which we can be kind to other people in our everyday life. After 5 minutes get feedback from each group.

## Homework

Give your students the link to this website:

Random Acts of Kindness:

<http://www.randomactsofkindness.org/Kindness-Ideas/Browse/>

Ask them to browse through the ideas about how to be kind. In the following class they should talk about the ideas which they liked the most.