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Nicer people are poorer, says study

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Please try Levels 0, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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Research shows that nicer people are poorer. Researchers looked at how our personalities affected how rich we were. They said nicer people were financially worse off than selfish people. Kinder people found it more difficult to look after their money. A researcher said this was because kinder people were more "agreeable," more trusting and more caring. Agreeableness was linked to lower savings, higher debt, and difficulty in paying back debts.

Researchers looked at data from different online surveys taken by 9,000 people. The data was about people's financial situations, their debt, and their feelings about money. Researchers compared this data with surveys about personality and agreeableness. Agreeable people seemed to care less about money and so did not look after it. A researcher said being kind had "financial costs". She wanted to understand, "why nice guys seem to finish last".

Sources: <https://www.earth.com/news/nice-people-money-problems/>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. our personalities affected | a. after their money |
| 2. financially worse | b. debt |
| 3. difficult to look | c. and more caring |
| 4. kinder people were | d. back debts |
| 5. more trusting | e. off |
| 6. inked | f. more "agreeable" |
| 7. higher | g. how rich we were |
| 8. difficulty in paying | h. to lower savings |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. different online | a. "financial costs" |
| 2. people's financial | b. surveys |
| 3. their feelings | c. understand |
| 4. surveys about personality | d. situations |
| 5. Agreeable people seemed to care | e. to finish last |
| 6. being kind had | f. about money |
| 7. She wanted to | g. less |
| 8. why nice guys seem | h. and agreeableness |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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Research (1) _____ people are poorer. Researchers looked (2) _____ personalities affected how rich we were. They said nicer people were financially (3) _____ selfish people. Kinder people found it more difficult to look after their money. A researcher said this was because kinder (4) _____ "agreeable," more trusting (5) _____. Agreeableness was linked to lower savings, higher debt, and (6) _____ back debts.

Researchers (7) _____ from different online surveys taken by 9,000 people. The (8) _____ people's financial situations, their debt, and their feelings about money. Researchers compared this data (9) _____ personality and agreeableness. Agreeable people seemed to care less about money (10) _____ not look after it. A researcher said (11) _____ "financial costs". She wanted to understand, "why nice guys (12) _____ last".

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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NICE PEOPLE SURVEY

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181016-nice-people-4.html>

Write five GOOD questions about nice people in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

WRITING

From <https://breakingnewsenglish.com/1810/181016-nice-people-1.html>

Write about **nice people** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner’s paper.
