

	Mr Bingley	Mr Darcy	
Physical appearance			
Personality			
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Task 1 Make a list of adjectives and expressions you can use to describe the characters.

Task 2 Read extract from Chapter three of *Pride and Prejudice* and <u>underline</u> the adjectives and expressions used to describe the people in the ball. Compare your text with your partner's.

And when the party entered the assembly room it consisted of only five altogether - Mr Bingley, his two sisters, the husband of the eldest, and another young man.

Mr Bingley was good-looking and gentlemanlike; he had a pleasant countenance, and easy, unaffected manners. His sisters were fine women, with an air of decided fashion. His brotherin-law, Mr Hurst, merely looked the gentleman; but his friend Mr Darcy soon drew the attention of the room by his fine, tall person, handsome features, noble mien, and the report which was in general circulation within five minutes after his entrance, of his having ten thousand a year. The gentlemen pronounced him to be a fine figure of a man, the ladies declared he was much handsomer than Mr Bingley, and he was looked at with great admiration for about half the evening, till his manners gave a disgust which turned the tide of his popularity; for he was discovered to be proud; to be above his company, and above being pleased; and not all his large estate in Derbyshire could then save him from having a most forbidding, disagreeable countenance, and being unworthy to be compared with his friend.

Source: http://www.gutenberg.org/files/1342/1342-h/1342-h.htm

Task 3 Complete the table below

Noun	Adjective
pride	proud
prejudice	prejudiced
	noble
popularity	
pleasure	
admiration	
disgust	
worth	

Task 4 Transform the sentences below using words from the table in task 3. Do not change the meaning.

- a. At the beginning Mr Darcy enjoyed great <u>popularity</u> among everybody in the room.
- b. Mr Bingley's attitude gave <u>pleasure</u> to everybody.
- c. Everyone looked at Mr Darcy with great admiration.
- d. However, his attitude soon caused <u>disgust</u> to everyone.

Homework

Read more about other characters in the novel. Choose:

- A likeable character
- A disagreeable character

Write a short description of each (50-70 words each). Use the vocabulary you have studied in the lesson. You can also check the article *Heroes & Villains* on the **TeachingEnglish Jane Austen 2013** website for more information.

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