

Week 3

## #12 Should you trust your first impression?

Skills/ Objectives: Listening

### PART 1: Before you watch...

#### Preparatory questions

1. Think of a good friend of you. Who is he/she? When did you meet him/ her? Where? In what situation? What was your first impression of him/ her? Was it positive or negative?

#### Vocabulary

1. Impression (noun): an opinion or idea one's has about somebody or something
2. Researcher (noun): Someone whose job is to study or investigate something scientifically, systematically and carefully to better understand the subject matter
3. Immoral (adjective): morally bad or wrong
4. Bias (verb): the unfair attitude one's has about somebody or something
5. Perceive (verb): to understand or interpret somebody or something in a particular way
6. Plentiful (adjective): available in large quantities
7. Rarity (noun): something that is very rare, not common

### PART 2: Video

Social psychology is a branch of psychology which focuses on how people's think and act in their cultural and social context. This video explains how people usually form impressions of others and how people change their impressions based on new information.

**Should you trust your first impression?** (*click the link to watch the video*)

<https://ed.ted.com/lessons/should-you-trust-your-first-impression-peter-mende-siedlecki> (4:38 minutes)

(Source: TED Ed)

### PART 3: Let's discuss!

1. How can we make a good first impression when we meet a friend?
2. What do you learn from the video about judging or changing your mind about someone?

## **PART 4: Vocabulary**

A prefix or suffix is a group of letters or part of a word that is added in the beginning or end of a root word to create a new word. It cannot stand alone as a word. A prefix has a hyphen (-) after it (e.g., im-) and a suffix has a hyphen before it (e.g., -able). Knowing prefixes and suffixes helps us learn vocabulary more easily.

Learn more about prefixes and suffixes here:

- <https://en.oxforddictionaries.com/spelling/prefixes-and-suffixes>
- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/skillswise/topic/prefixes-and-suffixes> (This website provides mini-quizzes!)
- <https://7esl.com/prefixes/> (A useful website which lists over 35 common prefixes with meaning and examples)
- <https://7esl.com/suffixes/> (This website shows over 30 suffixes with meaning and examples)

## **PART 5: Learn further**

### **1. What is social psychology?**

This video explains what social psychology is and introduces the topics that social psychologists study.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ljTsx44-jeY> (4:48 minutes)

### **2. Making a Great First Impression**

This article provides some suggestions for people to make a good first impression.

<https://www.mindtools.com/CommSkill/FirstImpressions.htm>

## **Chat online!**

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