

"She never listens to rules; she has to try everything!"

That's because she's intensely seeking relationships between cause and effect! She wants, no, needs to know how things feel, how they work. She demands proof: it might be different! It's clear she wants to learn and is incredibly curious, eager for information, and versatile in interests. Moreover, she's extremely brave and experimental, with a strong inclination for research.

"I can't take it anymore – he won't give me a break!"

He doesn't like ambiguities and illogic; hence, he keeps asking. Or maybe he's searching for meaning, he is missing one puzzle piece to grasp the whole picture. One thing's for sure, he's communicative, always has something to say, tells stories, perseveres, is lively, energetic, and has a lot of stamina. He's tireless, determined, and goal-oriented.

"She's always so direct and undiplomatic. She doesn't make friends!"

That's simply because she's genuine: emphasizing truth, equality, and fairness, she's open, honest, clear, and straightforward. She speaks her mind spontaneously and without beating around the bush. She knows what she wants, gets straight to the point, and expresses her emotions. Plus, she's assertive, caring for herself, and not afraid of confrontations.

"Why is she so stubborn?"

She's independent, prefers individual work, and has high self-control. She works effectively, results-oriented, and aims to achieve her goals quickly. She has her own way of thinking, is creative, individualistic, and simply has got character. At the same time, she's self-centered, self-possessed, and seems to need no one else, capable of taking care of herself.

"He's incredibly cheeky!"

That's because he has got a strong sense of humor. He is refreshing, lively, imaginative, articulate, witty, and charmingly mischievous! He's courageous, confident, bold, and he challenges with his own opinions, he is able to justify himself clearly. He's experimenting, boundary-testing, and simply cool!

Now, please have fun reformulating your opinions about children with a positive outlook!

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