

VOCABULARY - COMPOUND ADJECTIVES

EX 2 p. 108 - For each of the pairs in a-d, use one of the words below to form compound adjectives.

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a warm-**hearted** broken-**hearted**

Other possibilities [cfr.: **heartbreaking** = straziante, faticoso, estenuante]

big-hearted (very kind and generous)

cold-hearted (scortese, insensibile, freddo)

faint-hearted (timido, pauroso, timoroso)

free-hearted (franco, aperto, sincero; generoso, liberale, prodigo)

good-hearted (buono, gentile, di buon cuore)

half-hearted (= feeble) tiepido, debole, fiacco, blando)

hard-hearted (not caring about other people's feelings, being unkind and unsympathetic to others)

hen-hearted (a codardo, vigliacco, pusillanime)

iron-hearted (crudele, spietato, dal cuore di pietra)

kind-hearted (di buon cuore, buono, sensibile, gentile, umano)

light-hearted (allegro, felice; (not serious) spensierato)

lion-hearted (coraggioso, intrepido, impavido, dal cuor di leone)

simple-hearted (sincero, schietto, semplice, onesto; non sofisticato)

soft-hearted (dal cuore tenero)

stout-hearted (determinato, coraggioso, risoluto, deciso, fermo)

true-hearted (= loyal) leale, sincero, fedele, devoto)

b absent- **minded** broad- **minded**

Other possibilities

bloody-minded (1 (= cruel) crudele, sanguinario; 2 (= cussed/perverse) dispettoso, caparbio, ostinato)

business-minded (avere il senso degli affari)

evil-minded (malvagio, maligno)

fair-minded (imparziale, giusto)

feeble-minded (essere uno sciocco o stupido)

high-minded (di sani principi morali, nobile)

like-minded (di mentalità affine, di idee o interessi affini, simile, di uguale mentalità)

low-minded (basso, volgare, meschino)

mechanically-minded (essere portato per la meccanica)

minded (intenzionato, incline, propenso, deciso; **she was minded to travel around the world** era intenzionata a fare il giro del mondo)

narrow-minded (gretto, meschino, ristretto, di mentalità ristretta, di vedute limitate)

open-minded (dalla mente aperta, di larghe vedute, aperto)

right-minded (assennato, giudizioso, saggio)

simple-minded (ingenuo, sprovvaduto, semplicione, sempliciotto)

single-minded (risoluto, determinato, con un solo obiettivo o scopo in mente; **you have to be single-minded if you want to finish the job** devi avere questo solo obiettivo in mente se vuoi finire il lavoro; sincero, onesto)

small-minded (di mentalità ristretta, piccino, meschino, gretto)

sober-minded (serio, posato, riflessivo, sensato, responsabile, giudizioso)

strong-minded (determinato, deciso, risoluto, che ragiona con la testa propria, che ha le idee chiare)

tough-minded (realistico, pratico, che tiene i piedi per terra)

weak-minded (indeterminato, irresoluto, indeciso, incerto)

woolly-minded (confusionario, confuso, che ha la mente confusa)

work-minded (disposto o pronto a lavorare con zelo)

worldly-minded (attaccato ai beni terreni/alle cose terrene)

c **self-centred**

self-disciplined

Other possibilities

self-absorbed (interested only in yourself and the things that affect you - che pensa o si interessa solo a se stesso, egocentrico, narcisistico)

self-adhesive (a self-adhesive envelope, bandage etc has a sticky surface and does not need liquid or glue to make it stay closet)

self-appointed (giving yourself a responsibility, job, position etc without the agreement of other people, especially those you claim to represent - used to show disapproval - autonominatosi, che si è nominato da sé)

self-assertive (very confident about saying what you think or want - a che sa far valere o difendere i propri diritti, che sa badare ai propri interessi)

self-assured (calm and confident about what you are doing [≠ hesitant] disinvolto, sicuro di sé.)

self-confessed (admitting that you have a particular quality, especially one that is bad: **a self-confessed liar** un bugiardo per propria ammissione; **a self-confessed offender** un reo confessore)

self-conscious (worried and embarrassed about what you look like or what other people think of you / 1 (= uncomfortable) impacciato, a disagio, insicuro, imbarazzato • **a self-conscious adolescent** un adolescente impacciato; **Sarah felt self-conscious wearing those dirty shoes** Sarah si sentiva a disagio con quelle scarpe sporche [2: !!! questo 2° significato non è presente in altri dizionari monolingue: autocosciente, con coscienza di sé • **are cats and dogs self-conscious?** i cani e i gatti hanno coscienza di sé?)]

self-defeating (controproducente, a effetto boomerang • **self-defeating regulations** regolamentazioni controproducenti)

self-destructive (deliberately doing things that are likely to seriously harm or kill yourself; autodistruttivo)

self-educated (having taught yourself by reading books, thinking about ideas etc, rather than learning things in school)

self-evident (clearly true and needing no more proof [= obvious]; ovvio, chiaro, palese, lampante)

self-explanatory (clear and easy to understand without needing any more explanation; ovvio, chiaro, che si spiega da sé)

self-governing (a country or organization that is self-governing is controlled by its own members rather than by someone from another country or organization)

self-imposed (a self-imposed rule, duty etc is one that you have made for yourself, and which no one has asked you to accept: She spent five years in self-imposed exile in Bolivia)

self-indulgent (allowing yourself to have or do things that you enjoy but do not need, especially if you do this too often - used to show disapproval; che indulge con se stesso, che si concede cose che ama • **a self-indulgent bon viveur** un gaudente che indulge con se stesso)

self-inflicted (self-inflicted pain, problems, illnesses etc are those you have caused yourself: Stress is often self-inflicted)

self-made (a self-made man or woman has become successful and rich by their own efforts, not by having money given to them)

self-opinionated (believing that your own opinions are always right and that everyone else should agree with you - used to show disapproval; arrogante, tracotante, presuntuoso, baldanzoso, spavaldo)

self-possessed (calm, confident, and in control of your feelings, even in difficult or unexpected situations - used to show approval)

self-reliant (able to do or decide things by yourself, without depending on the help or advice of other people; autonomo, indipendente • **he's too self-reliant to ask for their advice** ha troppa fiducia in sé per chiedere il loro consiglio)

self-righteous (proudly sure that your beliefs, attitudes, and morals are good and right, in a way that annoys other people - used to show disapproval; ipocritamente sicuro delle proprie convinzioni / azioni)

self-satisfied (too pleased with yourself and what you have done - used to show disapproval - soddisfatto di sé o della propria situazione, compiaciuto • **he had a self-satisfied grin on his face** aveva in viso un ghigno di compiacimento)

self-study (work that you do without the help of a teacher - studio autodidattico – autodidattico)

self-styled (having given yourself a title or position without having a right to it - used to show disapproval - sedicente, autoproclamatosi • **the self-styled representative of the group** il sedicente rappresentante del gruppo)

self-supporting (able to earn enough money to support yourself: The business will soon become self-supporting - indipendente, autosostenentesi, autosufficiente)

self-taught (having learned a skill or subject by reading about it, practising it etc yourself, rather than in a school)

self-willed (very determined to do what you want, whatever other people think - used to show disapproval - (= headstrong) caparbio, ostinato, testardo, cocciuto • **a self-willed child** un bambino caparbio)

self-worth (the feeling that you deserve to be liked and respected [→ self-esteem]: Work gave me a sense of dignity and self-worth. - valore che una persona attribuisce alla propria vita e alle proprie realizzazioni.)

d **big-headed** **hard-headed**

Other possibilities

clear-headed ((≠ muddle-headed) able to think in a clear and sensible way - lucido, che ha le idee chiare, che ha la mente lucida)

cool-headed (not easily excited or upset: We need a quick-thinking, cool-headed person for the job - calmo, imperturbabile, impassibile, dal sangue freddo • **a cool-headed decision** una decisione presa con calma; **a cool-headed person** una persona impassibile)

empty-headed ((= feather-brained) silly and not intelligent - scervellato, senza giudizio, sprovveduto, dal cervello di gallina, dalla testa vuota)

high-headed (orgoglioso, arrogante, tracotante)

iron-headed (deciso, determinato)

level-headed (lucido, equilibrato, che ha la testa quadrata, che ha buon senso, assennato, giudizioso)

light-headed ((= giddy) stordito, frastornato • **to feel light-headed after a sleepless night** sentirsi stordito dopo una notte insonne)

muddle-headed ((= woolly) confused or not able to think clearly: I like her but she's a bit muddle-headed - frastornato, confuso, disorientato, con una grande confusione mentale)

red-headed (= red-haired) coi/dai capelli rossi)

swollen-headed (thinking that you are more important or clever than you really are - (= big-headed, spreg) presuntuoso, borioso, arrogante, spocchioso, montato)

white-headed (= white/grey-haired (*di persone*) bianco, canuto, dai/coi capelli bianchi)

wooden-headed ((= dumb, coll) che ha la testa di legno, stupido)

wrong-headed (having or showing bad judgement: wrong-headed beliefs - che fa continuamente errori di giudizio; pervicace nell'errore; sbagliato)