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# READING WORKSHEET

## DESCRIBING PEOPLE

- **Read about Maria and Sam. Then, answer the questions below.**

### MARIA



My sister's name is Maria and she is 23 years old and she works in an office. She's tall and has long, brown, wavy hair and she has green eyes. Maria sometimes

wears red glasses and she often reads books in the library. When she doesn't read, you can sometimes find her in the gym. She likes to exercise two or three times a week. Because she likes to exercise, she is thin, strong and healthy. She is also a very funny person and she loves to talk with people and make them laugh, so she has lots of friends. Maria has a big, friendly smile and I think she is a beautiful person. Everyone loves her and, of course, I am very happy that she is my older sister!

### SAM



My brother's name is Sam and he is only ten years old. He's an elementary school student in grade four. He is younger and shorter than I am, but he says that he is the

tallest person in his class. Sam has short, red hair, freckles, big ears, and a small mouth. He doesn't wear glasses. Unfortunately, he doesn't like to study very much. He thinks it's much better to watch TV and play video games. His favorite game is called 'Monster Shark Attack!' He says that he wants to be an airline pilot when he grows up. Sometimes, on weekends, his friends come over to our home to play. Sam is my brother, and I like him, but sometimes he's a little lazy and a little noisy!

1. How old is Maria?
2. How old is Sam?
3. What does Maria do?
4. What does Sam do?
5. Describe Maria's hair.
6. Describe Sam's hair.
7. Who likes to watch TV?
8. Who has a small mouth?
9. Who is a funny person?
10. Who is a noisy person?

Maria is 23 years old.

**Aims** Reading practice; learning how to describe people

**Level** Beginner to Elementary

## ANSWER KEY

1. Maria is 23 years old.
2. Sam is (only) ten years old.
3. Maria works in an office. / She is an office worker.
4. Sam is an elementary school student. / He is a student.
5. Maria has long, brown, wavy hair.
6. Sam has short, red hair.
7. Sam likes to watch TV.
8. Sam has a small mouth.
9. Maria is a funny person.
10. Sam is a noisy person. / Sam is a little noisy.

## ACTIVITY NOTES

- There is still plenty to talk about! Consider asking your students to write two additional questions about these people. Then, in small groups, have them ask their classmates.
- The two texts in this simple reading activity (about 130 words each) serve well as models for a writing activity in which your students choose a friend or family member to describe.