

Eastside Literacy Tutor Support
Student Handout – **Describing People**

Use a picture dictionary or look in magazines to find examples of all these features. In this table, nouns (or words that can be used as nouns) are capitalized, words that can only be adjectives are not.

HEIGHT	HAIR
tall	length: long, medium, short
average	color: dark, light, black, Brunette (brown), blonde (fair), red-head (red), grey, white
short	straight
	curly
BODY SHAPE	pulled back (ponytail, braid, bun)
slender (thin)	no hair: bald, partly bald, has a receding hairline
average build	
heavy (overweight, fat)	EYES
	color: black, brown, blue, green, grey, hazel
GENDER	big
man (male)	beady (small)
woman (female)	narrow (close-set)
boy	wide-set
girl	
	FACIAL FEATURES
AGE	general: pretty, beautiful, handsome, good-looking, ugly, plain
young	freckles, freckled
child (baby, infant, toddler)	mole, wart
adolescent (teenager)	scar, scarred
adult (young adult, middle-aged)	bruise, bruised
old (older, senior, senior citizen)	birthmark
RACE	OTHER
Asian	glasses
black (African-American)	tattoo
Hispanic	braces on teeth
Native American	earrings
white (caucasian)	wheelchair, crutches