

Characteristics of gifted students

Cognitive characteristics

positive

- * high energy
- * motivation
- * enthusiastic
- * excitable
- * persistent
- * persevering
- * spontaneous
- * adventurous
- * willing to work beyond assigned task
- * high drive for accomplishment & recognition

negative

- * overactive
- * impulsive
- * stubborn
- * impatient
- * rebellious
- * absent-minded, forgetful
- * temperamental, emotional
- * egocentric, intolerant

Affective Characteristics

positive

- * intellectual superiority
- * skillfulness
- * self-satisfaction
- * social-superiority
- * respect from others

negative

- * estrangement
- * perfectionism
- * social stress
- * compulsive

Students may possess some of these characteristics but not necessarily all of them. Keep in mind that gifted students aren't perfect and can have problems too.