

# 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.