

The telltale signs of lying

Details

A Check (✓) the correct column.

		Verbal clues	Nonverbal clues
1.	not remaining still		✓
2.	covering mouth with hand		
3.	repeating a question		
4.	crossing arms or legs		
5.	giving incomplete answers		
6.	changing positions in a chair		

Parts of speech

B Find the words in the text related to the words in column A. Then match the words in column B with their meanings in column C.

A	B	C
1. <i>character</i> n. (par. 1)	_____ <i>characteristic</i> _____ adj.	a. able to be seen
2. <i>punish</i> v. (par. 1)	_____ n.	b. immature
3. <i>calculate</i> v. (par. 1)	_____ n.	c. often
4. <i>react</i> v. (par. 3)	_____ n.	d. a way of thinking
5. <i>frequent</i> adj. (par. 4)	_____ adv.	e. a prediction of what will happen
6. <i>mental</i> adj. (par. 6)	_____ n.	f. typical or usual
7. <i>visible</i> adj. (par. 7)	_____ adv.	g. a bad effect of doing something wrong
8. <i>child</i> n. (par. 9)	_____ adj.	h. responses or answers

Fact or opinion

C Mark each sentence fact (F) or opinion (O).

1. F Delbert was interviewed first.
2. _____ If Delbert had written the threatening note, he would know where he was when the letter was mailed.
3. _____ Delbert gave a vague answer to avoid being caught in a lie.
4. _____ Delbert remained relatively motionless.
5. _____ When I asked Delbert a question, he visibly shifted his position in the chair.
6. _____ Delbert crossed his arms as if to protect himself from attack.
7. _____ Delbert frequently covered his mouth with his hand.
8. _____ Delbert covered his mouth as if his lie would escape.

If it sounds too good to be true . . .

Sequencing

A Number the sentences from 1 (first event) to 7 (last event).

- ___ a. A competitor told the Better Business Bureau that the ColorStay makeup claim was false.
- 1 b. The ColorStay manufacturer created makeup.
- ___ c. The ColorStay manufacturer advertised the makeup.
- ___ d. A competitor tested ColorStay makeup.
- ___ e. The ColorStay manufacturer added “under normal conditions” to its advertisement.
- ___ f. The Better Business Bureau concluded that people interpret the word “rub” differently.
- ___ g. A competitor concluded that the claims about ColorStay makeup were false.

Details

B Write the number of the paragraph that answers each question.

- 6 a. Why was the advertising division of the Better Business Bureau created?
- ___ b. How often do people challenge the truth of an advertisement?
- ___ c. What did a TV commercial for a new pain medication ad claim?
- ___ d. What did the Better Business Bureau conclude about the pain medication ad?

Context clues

C Find these sentences in the reading. Then circle the meanings of the words in *italics*.

1. Will your makeup really not *rub off on* your clothes? (par. 1)
 - Ⓐ. change the color of
 - b. change the quality of
2. One of the leading judges of such challenges is the national advertising division of the Council of Better Business *Bureau*. (par. 2)
 - a. a government department
 - b. a piece of furniture
3. The company wanted to test ColorStay’s *claim* for itself. (par. 3)
 - a. a written request for money
 - b. a statement that something is true
4. The advertising division of the Council of Better Business Bureau was created in 1971 . . . as a way to *regulate* themselves. (par. 6)
 - a. make more normal
 - b. control through rules

CHALLENGE

D Answer the questions in Exercise B.

Truth or consequences

Context clues

A Find the words and phrases in *italics* in the reading. Then match each word or phrase with its meaning. (Be careful! There is one extra answer.)

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| <u> e </u> 1. <i>asleep at the wheel</i> (par. 4) | a. teach gradually |
| <u> </u> 2. <i>obvious</i> (par. 5) | b. easily seen |
| <u> </u> 3. <i>get away with</i> (par. 5) | c. remove the inside of something |
| <u> </u> 4. <i>oblivious</i> (par. 6) | d. not aware of things |
| <u> </u> 5. <i>police</i> (par. 6) | e. not paying attention |
| <u> </u> 6. <i>instill</i> (par. 6) | f. control other people's behavior |
| | g. escape punishment for something |

Main ideas

B Write the number of each paragraph next to its main idea.

- 3 a. Statistics show cheating in American high schools has increased.
- b. Some students think cheating is the teachers' fault.
- c. Students have many creative ways to cheat.
- d. If cheating continues, future professionals won't have the skills they need.
- e. Students who cheat at school don't learn important skills.
- f. Most students said cheating is common in their schools.
- g. Teachers think preventing cheating is the students' job.
- h. Students gave different reasons for cheating.

Causes and effects

C Mark each statement cause of cheating (C) or effect of cheating (E).

- E 1. Airplane pilots might not know how to do good jobs.
2. Students receive an automatic failing grade.
3. Students think they must get good grades in school.
4. Teachers don't pay attention to students' behavior in class.
5. Students know they can get away with cheating.
6. Students' parents get letters about their children's actions.

CHALLENGE

D Answer these questions. Use your own ideas.

1. Why do you think students cheat?

2. What happens when teachers catch students cheating in your school?

3. What is the best way to stop students from cheating?
