



OPPOSITE TO not FROM

Don't say: Their office is opposite from ours.

Say: Their office is **opposite to** ours.

POPULAR WITH not AMONG

Don't say: Helen is popular among her colleagues.

Say: Helen is **popular with** her colleagues.

SECRET TO POPULARITY



Many people believe the route to success is to be interesting—to **show off** or **act like** someone else. For example, many people learned as children that to get attention they should **act up** a little; to be as interesting as possible. Yet acting interesting does not make you popular in fact acting interesting can ruin your adult life. **Show-off** employees, self-centered managers and **pompous** business owners rarely do well for long. To handle unpopularity, many people might decide to **despise** people or become **loners**. But the secret to popularity is not to be interesting, but to be interested.

show off – chlubit se, vytahovat

act like – chovat se jako, hrát si na

act up – zlobit

pompous – nafoukaný, nabubřelý

despise – pohrdat, opovrhovat

loner – samotář

Show-off – vejtaha, chlubil

VOCABULARY BUILDING



popular with - populární (7. p.); oblíbený u

popular disapproval - nesouhlas lidu

popular press - bulvární tisk

at popular prices - za lidové ceny

opposite direction - opačný směr

opposite number - kolega; pracovník

the opposite of dark is- opak slova *tmavý* je...

opposite view - opačný pohled

QUIZ: Test your vocabulary



Fill in a suitable word or a phrase in the blank space.

show-off – loner – pompous – despise

1. I always _____ people who mock other people.
2. He never leaves the house, he is a _____.
3. A boss should never be _____ but rather modest.
4. She is a _____ she never forgets to display her new clothes.

KEY: 1. despise, 2. loner, 3. pompous, 4. show-off,
