A Lovable Loser

Mickey Mouse is smart, Superman is strong, and Lucky Luke shoots faster than his shadow. But what about Donald Duck?



The following text consists of pairs of sentences, one of which is incorrect, inappropriate, or illogical. Check the better option to create a description of the famous duck with the sailor shirt and the bare bottom.

☒ Donald Duck is awkward, hot-tempered, and vindictive.
☐ Donald Duck is quick-witted, always appears confident, and is conciliatory.

☐ Luck is usually on his side; when it isn't, he accepts his fate with poise.
☐ He often finds himself in embarrassing situations but never learns from his mistakes.

☐ In today's world, where everything revolves around self-improvement, failure is seen because of weak willpower.
☐ These days, failures are regarded as heroes, while stars and winners are ignored.

☐ Characters like Donald Duck are typical of today's glamorous show business.
☐ He strikes us as a refreshing alternative to the heroic figures of today's entertainment industry.

☐ The fact that Donald Duck defies the spirit of the times seems to be what makes him so successful to this day.
☐ Donald Duck, for whom failure is a part of life, is a typical representative of today's spirit of the times.

☐ It was the students of the 1968 generation who made Donald Duck famous and beloved.
☐ Donald Duck made his first television appearance in 1934.

☐ Hollywood has always treated him as an afterthought, since he wasn't cut out to be a box-office hit.
☐ Donald Duck can look back on a career that many Hollywood stars could only dream of.

☐ In 2004, Donald Duck got a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame, where famous people are immortalized.
☐ He will probably never become famous enough to receive a star on the Walk of Fame.

☐ For the entertainment giant Disney, Donald Duck has become a trademark.
☐ The entertainment giant Disney has come to find the character of the often hot-tempered and unruly duck embarrassing.

☐ Donald is still pretty much the same character with the same simple personality as he was in the early films.
☐ Over time, Disney's cartoonists gave the duck personality and made him more multifaceted.

☐ The artists created supporting characters such as the wealthy Uncle Scrooge, his cousin Gus Goose, and the inventor Gyro Gearloose.
☐ Rival characters such as the wealthy Uncle Scrooge, his cousin Gus Goose, and the inventor Gyro Gearloose gradually stole the show from Donald.

☐ When Donald Duck isn't traveling, he lives in the fictional town of Duckburg, which looks like a typical small American town.
☐ To remind us that he's a duck, he always moves about in a zoo-like environment.

☐ Donald's weaknesses make him seem human and approachable.
☐ Donald is a cunning villain who strikes fear into our hearts.

☐ Donald Duck knows neither envy nor jealousy - he's far too full of himself for that.
☐ Donald Duck struggles with envy and jealousy - just like many of us.

☐ Donald Duck believes in goodness, always gets back on his feet, and is also helpful.
☐ Donald Duck is a cunning egoist, a pessimist, and a tightwad.

☐ He has a big heart, especially for his nephews Huey, Dewey, and Louie.
☐ He's constantly arguing with his nephews Huey, Dewey, and Louie.

☐ Comic book writer Barks is said to have once remarked about Donald Duck: "Most of the time he's a scoundrel; very rarely is he a good guy. A normal person doesn't make mistakes like that. That's why nobody likes him."
☐ Comic book writer Barks is said to have once remarked about Donald Duck: "Sometimes he's a scoundrel, but often he's a really good guy. He makes the same mistakes we all do. That's why people like him."

☐ Donald Duck lacks a character trait that would be so important today: the courage to be average.
☐ He possesses a character trait that is rarer today than ever before: he has the courage to be average.