

Opposites

EXERCISE 116

Write each pair of **opposite words** found in each line below.

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|-----|------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| 1. | stage | comic | theatre | tragic | company |
| 2. | admit | permit | deny | prove | prosecute |
| 3. | massive | beautiful | artificial | expensive | genuine |
| 4. | resemble | announce | pronounce | assemble | disperse |
| 5. | extensive | barren | fertile | pasture | meadow |
| 6. | create | dictate | destroy | surround | magnify |
| 7. | resistance | assistance | instance | remittance | hindrance |
| 8. | internal | eternal | external | inferior | infernal |
| 9. | command | remand | demand | compare | obey |
| 10. | priority | majority | security | minority | impurity |

EXERCISE 117

Complete each sentence by using the **opposite** of one of the words contained in it.

Example: He intends to work harder in the — than he has in the **past**.

Answer: **future**

1. After the examination the boy felt more dead than —.
2. We might as well do the weeding first as —.
3. Henry had nine sums right and one —.
4. One boy knew the answer to every —.
5. Wise people save money; — people spend all they earn.
6. Eggs are plentiful in spring, but — in winter.
7. Seeing that the children were in danger, the policeman removed them to a place of —.
8. The river was deep in some parts but quite — in others.
9. The father is a miser, but the son is a —.
10. The man said he was innocent, but the police proved him —.

EXERCISE 118

For each word below write an **antonym** of five letters.

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|-----------|------------|---------------|------------|
| 1. clean | 6. lost | 11. noisy | 16. back |
| 2. bold | 7. asleep | 12. true | 17. dwarf |
| 3. hollow | 8. full | 13. expensive | 18. humble |
| 4. late | 9. bless | 14. light | 19. war |
| 5. long | 10. loiter | 15. narrow | 20. friend |

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1. comic; tragic
2. admit; deny
3. artificial; genuine
4. assemble; disperse
5. barren; fertile
6. create; destroy
7. assistance; hindrance
8. internal; external
9. command; obey
10. majority; minority

Exercise 117

1. alive
2. last
3. wrong
4. question
5. foolish
6. scarce
7. safety
8. shallow
9. spendthrift
10. guilty

Exercise 118

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|-----------|-----------|
| 1. dirty | 11. quiet |
| 2. timid | 12. false |
| 3. solid | 13. cheap |
| 4. early | 14. heavy |
| 5. short | 15. broad |
| 6. found | 16. front |
| 7. awake | 17. giant |
| 8. empty | 18. proud |
| 9. curse | 19. peace |
| 10. hurry | 20. enemy |

Exercise 119

1. plentiful
2. see
3. pitiful
4. sad
5. top
6. sleepy
7. oils
8. empty
9. strong
10. obtain