Antonyms

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sluggish	unstable	interesting	heedless	sensible

AN **ANTONYM** IS A WORD THAT MEANS THE OPPOSITE OF ANOTHER WORD.

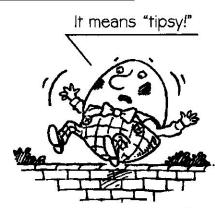
Frisky means "lively," but sluggish means "slow."

Permanent means "lasting."

If something is **tiresome**, it's boring; if it holds your attention, it's **interesting**.

Someone who is **considerate** is thoughtful, but someone who is **heedless** is not.

If you're sensible, you're wise, and if you're silly, you're ridiculous.



Unstable means "unsteady."

A. Read the word in the first column. Find and circle the word in the row that is an antonym.

1. frisky	frittering	freezing	inactive	
2. unstable	unable	precarious	settled	
3. ridiculous	wise	laughable	rickety	
4. interesting	boring	inviting	intense	
5. sensible	logical	separate	ridiculous	
6. considerate	careful	continuing	thoughtless	

- **B.** Read the word in the first column. Circle the word that is an antonym, and underline the word that is a synonym.
- 1. permanent
- a. unsettled
- b. stable
- c. perfect

- 2. sluggish
- a. hit

- b. lazy
- c. playful

- 3. heedless
- a. thoughtful
- b. headless
- c. inconsiderate

- 4. tiresome
- a. dull
- **b.** talkative
- c. fascinating



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A. Use what you know. Write the b	est word to co	omplete each sente	ence.		
1. It was kind and of Judd to give his seat to me.					
2. The puppy ran around and jumped on everyone.					
3. Don't skate on the pond because th	e ice becomes	-	as it melts.		
4. Sasha felt wh	nen she noticed	l she had on two diff	ferent socks.		
5. The hot, humid weather made ever	yone feel idle a	and	· ·		
6. Clark found the speaker very		_ because he kept r	epeating himself.		
7. After traveling so much, Mr. Page was glad to have a home.					
8. The child ran down the sidewalk, of his mother's calls.					
9. If the forecast is for rain, be and take your umbrella.					
10. You need a good beginning to make your report more					
B. Read each question. Choose the	best answer.				
1. What is a kitten like?	sensible	☐ frisky	considerate		
2. Which one is permanent?	ink	pencil	□ chalk		
3. What's a hibernating bear like?	□ sloppy	☐ active	sluggish		
4. What makes a beach unstable?	□ waves	□ shells	gulls		

Writing to Lear n

Write a want ad for a lost pet. Use at least three vocabulary words.

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Play Tic-Tac-Antonym. Read each word. Then draw a line through three words in the box that are antonyms for that word. Your line can be vertical, horizontal, or diagonal.

1. frisky

busy	nosy	playful
slow	sluggish	idle
happy	frilly	frizzy

2. sensible

rowdy	smart	absurd
serious	neat	rash
sensitive	sorry	ridiculous

3. permanent

perfect	fearful	inte rr u p te d
lasting	unstable	curly
impermanent	forever	perfume

4. interesting

intentional	delightful	exceptional
exciting	curious	investing
dull	tiresome	uninteresting

5. considerate

inattentive	careless	heedless
impressed	fragile	casual
gifted	hopeful	concerned