

## KS2 English Quiz - Antonyms (Questions)

This KS2 English quiz will challenge you to find antonyms. Antonyms are words which have opposite meanings. People enjoy thinking in opposites. Arguing, debating, and sometimes being 'contrary' just for its own sake, are all popular human activities. It would be very hard to argue or debate without antonyms!

There are many words in the English language that will have an antonym such as yes and no; right and wrong; good and bad. There are also plenty of words that don't have an antonym. One such word is 'spider'. Can you think of any others?

See if you can spot antonym pairs by trying this English quiz.

1. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Unhappy**



- Sad
- Happy
- Crying
- Spooked

2. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Wet**



- Soggy
- Clean
- Dry
- Dripping

3. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Brave**



- Cowardly
- Courageous
- Bold
- Energetic

4. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Rough**



- Twisted
- Tough
- Textured
- Smooth

5. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
True



- Trustworthy
- Right
- False
- Correct

6. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
Energetic



- Fit
- Lazy
- Lively
- Loud

7. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
Impossible



- Wild
- Crazy
- Unlikely
- Possible

8. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
Low



- High
- Higher
- Lower
- Lowest

9. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
Internal



- Behind
- In front of
- Inside
- External

10. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
Enemy



- Foe
- Arch-enemy
- Ally
- Fiend

## KS2 English Quiz - Antonyms (Answers)

1. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Unhappy**



- Sad
- Happy
- Crying
- Spooked

Adding the prefix 'un-' can create a pair of antonyms: i.e. happy / unhappy, rested / unrested, reasonable / unreasonable.

2. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Wet**



- Soggy
- Clean
- Dry
- Dripping

Even if something is clean, it can still be wet!

3. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Brave**



- Cowardly
- Courageous
- Bold
- Energetic

Courageous and bold are similar in meaning to brave.

4. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Rough**



- Twisted
- Tough
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- Smooth

Rough has many different meanings - take a look in the dictionary.

5. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**True**



- Trustworthy
- Right
- False
- Correct

Pairs of antonyms are often presented together with the word 'or'. You might have heard these pairs: 'right or wrong', 'true or false', 'rich or poor', 'young or old'.

6. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Energetic**



- Fit
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- Lively
- Loud

Lively is a synonym of energetic.

7. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Impossible**



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Adding the prefix 'im-' is one method of creating an antonym.

8. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Low**



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- Higher
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Remember to be careful with comparatives and superlatives! 'Low' and 'high' are antonyms, as are 'lower' and 'higher' and 'lowest' and 'highest'.

9. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Internal**



- Behind
- In front of
- Inside
- External

The prefixes 'in-' and 'ex-' have opposite meanings. 'In-' means 'in', and 'ex-' means 'out'.

10. Look at the word and then choose its antonym.  
**Enemy**



- Foe
- Arch-enemy
- Ally
- Fiend

An 'ally' is someone who is on your side. The word 'fiend' looks like 'friend' but they mean very different things!