

KS3 English Quiz - Antonyms 02 (Questions)

This KS3 English quiz will ask you to find antonyms. Antonyms are words that mean the opposite and learning about them is a good way to build your vocabulary. Try and use a variety of antonyms in your speaking and writing in order to make it more interesting for your audience.

Do you ever become bored with your own writing? And if you are bored, how can your audience help but be bored, too? This reaction is especially likely if you tend to use the same words over and over again, which happens with many of the most commonly used words. For instance, you have probably learned to substitute other synonyms for "said", "walked", "happy", and "sad". Choose carefully, however. Replacing a sentence such as "the old man leapt over the abandoned barbed-wire fence" with "the lithe, venerable gentleman capered over the razor-sharp, forsaken, barbed-wire barrier" would be a bit distracting!

Select an antonym for each of the following words in our second quiz on antonyms.

1. Young

- Baby
- Fledgling
- Junior
- Old

2. Yell

- Screech
- Shout
- Shriek
- Whisper

3. Yield

- Consent
- Give in
- Give way
- Hold firm

4. Worker

- Craftsman
- Employee
- Idler
- Labourer

5. Worn

- Fresh
- Old
- Used
- Worn-out

6. Worsen

- Decay
- Decline
- Deteriorate
- Improve

7. Wisdom

- Discernment
- Judgement
- Stupidity
- Understanding

8. Win

- Accomplish
- Achieve
- Attain
- Lose

9. Whole

- Complete
- Entire
- Intact
- Partial

10. Wane

- Decline
- Decrease
- Dwindle
- Wax

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<p>1. Young</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Baby<input type="checkbox"/> Fledgling<input type="checkbox"/> Junior<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Old <p>A "fledgling" is a baby bird; the word can be used figuratively as a synonym for "young"</p>	<p>2. Yell</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Screech<input type="checkbox"/> Shout<input type="checkbox"/> Shriek<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Whisper <p>"Shout", "shriek" and "screech" are all loud utterances, like "yell"</p>
<p>3. Yield</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Consent<input type="checkbox"/> Give in<input type="checkbox"/> Give way<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hold firm <p>The verb "to yield" means "to surrender"</p>	<p>4. Worker</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Craftsman<input type="checkbox"/> Employee<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Idler<input type="checkbox"/> Labourer <p>An "idler" doesn't work but "idles" away (wastes) time</p>
<p>5. Worn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fresh<input type="checkbox"/> Old<input type="checkbox"/> Used<input type="checkbox"/> Worn-out <p>"Old", "used" and "worn-out" are synonyms</p>	<p>6. Worsen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Decay<input type="checkbox"/> Decline<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorate<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Improve <p>"Improve" is the opposite of "worsen"</p>
<p>7. Wisdom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Discernment<input type="checkbox"/> Judgement<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stupidity<input type="checkbox"/> Understanding <p>"Folly" is often given as wisdom's opposite</p>	<p>8. Win</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Accomplish<input type="checkbox"/> Achieve<input type="checkbox"/> Attain<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lose <p>"Win" and "lose" are opposites, therefore antonyms</p>
<p>9. Whole</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Complete<input type="checkbox"/> Entire<input type="checkbox"/> Intact<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partial <p>"Partial" means "incomplete" or "fragmentary"</p>	<p>10. Wane</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Decline<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease<input type="checkbox"/> Dwindle<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wax <p>A moon "waxes" full then "waned" to a thin crescent</p>