

Antonyms

Antonyms are words that have opposite meanings. They can be found using a thesaurus or dictionary.

What would the antonyms to these words be?

courageous

calm

Minuscule

visible

trustworthy

honest

Get started

Match the antonyms. Use a dictionary or thesaurus to help you if you need to. One has been done for you.

Answer: *absent* – *present*

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| 1. <i>absent</i> | a) singular |
| 2. create | b) reward |
| 3. foolish | c) <i>present</i> |
| 4. compulsory | d) scarce |
| 5. plural | e) wise |
| 6. arrival | f) destroy |
| 7. punishment | g) voluntary |
| 8. plentiful | h) departure |



Start with the ones that you do know and use clues to help you solve the ones you are unsure of.

Try these

Change the effect of these sentences by replacing the underlined word with an antonym. One has been done for you.

1. The critics reported that the film star was very talented.

Answer: *The critics reported that the film star was very inept.*

2. The knitted blanket was surprisingly soft.
3. Gran was extremely pleased with her retirement gift.
4. I had a wonderful time at the cinema with my friends.
5. Dad made a delicious carrot cake with lemon icing.
6. The hairdresser cut a tiny amount from the ends of my hair.
7. The three kittens played together energetically in their basket.



Now try these

Find an antonym for each word and write it in a sentence, underlining it. One has been done for you.

1. passive

Answer: *Dan was active in his hunt for the missing money.*

2. determined
3. anxious
4. comfortable
5. angry
6. obscure

