

9 Antonyms to Know

Put Words Into Action

allowed	focused	hardy	inferior	pessimist
dismiss	forbidden	high-priced	meaningful	pleasure
distracted	frail	hire	misery	senseless
dull	glistening	inexpensive	optimist	superior

Directions Write a sentence to answer each of the questions below. Use both words in boldface in your answer.

1. How would an **optimist** and a **pessimist** look at their chances of winning a contest?

2. What can cause a pet to feel **misery** and what might cause a pet to feel **pleasure**?

3. What activity is **forbidden** in the park and what activity is **allowed**?

4. Why might one dog have a **dull** coat and the other a **glistening** coat?

5. In your opinion, what makes one model of bike **inferior** and another **superior**?

6. Why is it important to be **focused** when you do your homework and not **distracted**?

7. What could make an employer **hire** someone, and what could make an employer **dismiss** someone? _____

8. Who would you be more likely to visit in a hospital—someone in **frail** health or someone who is **hardy**? _____



Write Headlines Working with a classmate, write some headlines for a school newspaper story about you or someone you know reaching an important goal. Try to use one or two of the vocabulary words in each of your headlines.