

Using Antonyms for Context Clues

Name: _____

Circle the letter of the word that most closely matches the underlined word in the sentence. Use the antonym in blue as a clue to the correct meaning.

1. While she was indifferent to golf, he husband was an avid fan.

- A. boring B. likeable C. eager D. pleasant
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2. I thought it was a fresh idea, but the teacher thought it was trite.

- A. special B. loud C. happy D. common
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3. Stacey was suspicious when the clown handed them a box, but her gullible little brother opened it anyway.

- A. trusting B. sad C. doomed D. careful
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4. While James is very outgoing, his older brother is very reclusive.

- A. withdrawn B. athletic C. popular D. hungry
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5. The woman abhorred cleaning house, but she loved a spotless home.

- A. often B. demanded C. enjoyed D. hated
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6. George is adept with crossword puzzles, while his sister is a failure at solving them.

- A. miserable B. skilled C. close D. bored
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7. Instead of a grimace, Claudia had a big smile across her face.

- A. grin B. hat C. frown D. mask
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8. She was an agile dancer, although her partner was quite clumsy.

- A. quiet B. nimble C. shy D. stiff