## **Antonyms - definition and practice**

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## What are antonyms?

Antonyms are like word opposites.

Examples:

hot - cold

fast - slow

happy - sad

## Practice your knowledge of antonyms with the flashcards!

<b>hot</b>	<b>happy</b>
cold	sad
<b>big</b>	<b>easy</b>
small	difficult
<b>strong</b>	<b>light</b>
weak	dark
<b>clean</b>	<b>quiet</b>
dirty	loud
<b>hard</b>	<b>rich</b>
soft	poor

## Fill in the blank with the antonym of the word in brackets.

Forests are	(small) areas of land covered with trees and other plants. They are				
(away)	o many different sរុ	pecies of animals and p	orovide a		
(desert) for them to live in.	Forests can be	(sparse	e) and	(ea	asy)
to navigate, but they are al	so	(ugly) and		_ (noisy) places. The	ey are
(insignificant) for the environment because they help to (dir					lirty)
the air and provide oxygen. Forests can be found all over the world, from the(pola				(polar)	
ainforests to the (extreme) forests in cooler climates. They are a					
(sink) of wood for building a	nd paper products,	but they are also impo	rtant for		(work)
and tourism. Unfortunately	, forests are being	(pr	eserved)	at an	

(calming) rate due to deforestation. It is important to	(harm) our forests so that they
can continue to provide benefits for future generations.	
What are antonyms?	
Can you name two antonyms for the word 'big'?	
Why are antonyms important to know?	