

## **Lesson: Connotation**

### **Lesson Topic: Determine the connotation of a word**

#### **Question 1:**

Read the sentence below.

Children are naturally **fussy** and often push away vegetables and fruits.

Choose the best connotation for **fussy**.

- positive
- negative
- neutral

#### **Question 2:**

Read the sentence below.

The basketball player was no **oaf**; he moved with grace and beauty.

Choose the best connotation for **oaf**.

- positive
- negative
- neutral

#### **Question 3:**

Read the sentence below.

Jackson picked up French after only three weeks in Paris because he is a **natural** at languages.

Choose the best connotation for **natural**.

- positive
- negative
- neutral

#### **Question 4:**

Read the sentence below.

Tea and honey is a **cure** that can help an upset stomach.

Choose the best connotation for **cure**.

- positive
- negative

- neutral

**Question 5:**

Read the sentence below.

The screwdriver is an essential **tool** in any workman's arsenal.

Choose the best connotation for **tool**.

- positive
- negative
- neutral

## Lesson Topic: Interpret shades of meaning using connotation

### Question 1:

Which word best conveys the idea of **dishonesty**?

- incorrect
- deceptive
- imaginary
- fictitious

### Question 2:

Which word best conveys the idea of **fanciness**?

- luxurious
- expensive
- costly
- overpriced

### Question 3:

Which word best conveys the idea of **positivity**?

- caution
- encourage
- warn
- criticize

### Question 4:

Read the sentence below.

Thirty years ago, Japanese cars developed a reputation for being **workhorses** because they kept running after years of use.

Choose the best definition for **workhorse**.

- a hardworking person
- a horse used for farm labor
- an old automobile
- a dependable machine

### Question 5:

Read the sentence below.

The late astronomer Carl Sagan was a great writer and a true **philosopher**.

Choose the best definition for **philosopher**.

- a leader of a group or state
- a person who ponders good and evil
- a wise and inspiring scholar
- an ancient Greek writer

## **Correct Answers**

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**Question 1:**

negative

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**Question 3:**

positive

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**Question 5:**

neutral

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