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• Advanced Synonyms and Antonyms #1

Synonyms: words that have the same (or nearly the same) meanings

Example: large → big

Antonyms: words that have opposite meanings

Example: hot → cold

Directions: Choose the best synonym for the following words.

1) cogent
A. tentative
B. forced
C. convincing
D. truculent
E. brusque

2) ponderous
A. contemplative
B. compact
C. unwieldy
D. dreamy
E. abstract

3) tenuous
A. salubrious
B. lengthy
C. delicate
D. significant
E. ponderous

4) contrite
A. stolid
B. disheartened
C. fascist
D. apologetic
E. defeated

5) juvenile
A. apathetic
B. immature
C. fawning
D. painful
E. nascent

6) austere
A. destitute
B. ostentatious
C. lavish
D. strict
E. prodigal

Directions: Choose the best antonym for the following words.

1) cautious
A. elusive
B. playful
C. circumspect
D. foolhardy
E. jovial

2) surreptitious
A. venerable
B. tricky
C. clandestine
D. hazy
E. artless

3) turbid
A. transparent
B. bemused
C. muddled
D. auspicious
E. dark

4) jovial
A. lewd
B. heterogeneous
C. depraved
D. energetic
E. melancholy

5) ingenuous
A. shady
B. bucolic
C. candid
D. frank
E. honest

6) ascetic
A. lachrymose
B. erudite
C. acclaimed
D. prodigal
E. disciplined