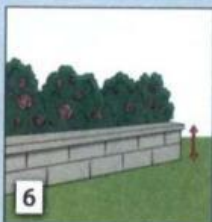
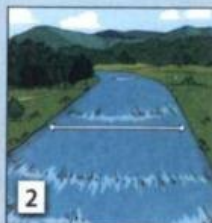


63 Adjective opposites

A Common opposites 1

- 1 She's **asleep**.
OPP **awake**
- 2 The river is **wide**.
OPP **narrow**
- 3 The man is **weak**.
OPP **strong**
- 4 This is **heavy**.
OPP **light**
- 5 It feels **soft**.
OPP **hard**
- 6 It's a **low** wall.
OPP **high**
- 7 The woman is **rich**.
OPP **poor**
- 8 The bird is **dead**.
OPP **alive**



SPOTLIGHT position of adjectives

Adjectives usually go before a noun. They can also go after *be*.

■ It's a **quiet** village. The village *is* **quiet**.

You can't use **alive**, **awake** or **asleep** before a noun.

■ The man *is* **alive**. (NOT *an alive man*)

1 Write Yes or No.

- Is a 120 kg person heavy? Yes
- 1 Is the River Nile narrow?
 - 2 Does wood feel hard?
 - 3 Is Nelson Mandela still alive?
 - 4 Are mobile phones light?
 - 5 Are elephants very strong?

- 6 Are you asleep at the moment?
- 7 Is America a rich country?
- 8 If you are walking, are you awake?
- 9 Are all the buildings in Dubai low?
- 10 Is rice soft before you cook it?

2 Write the opposite.

- The bed is **hard**. soft
- 1 His legs are **weak**.
 - 2 The dog's **asleep**.
 - 3 They're very **rich**.

- 4 The roof is **high**.
- 5 The road is **narrow**.
- 6 The cat is **dead**.
- 7 The bag was **heavy**.

3 Complete the dialogues.

- Is it safe to walk on this bridge? ~ Yes, it's very strong.
- 1 Did you sleep well? ~ No, the bed was too It was like sleeping on the floor.
 - 2 Can Rowena walk very far? ~ No, she's still after her illness.
 - 3 Has Eric got a lot of money? ~ Yes, he's very
 - 4 Has Kelly still got a dog? ~ No, it's, I'm afraid.
 - 5 Can you see over the wall? ~ No, it's too I can't see a thing.
 - 6 Can we carry that table to the garden? ~ Yes, it's quite
 - 7 Can you swim across the river here? ~ Yes, it's quite - that will be easy.
 - 8 Dan's eyes are closed. ~ Yes, I think he's He said he was very tired.
 - 9 That family lives in one room. ~ Yes, they're very
 - 10 What a lovely little baby! ~ Yes, his skin is so lovely and



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B Common opposites 2

OPPOSITES QUESTIONNAIRE

- Is it **common** or **unusual** for you to get a cold or flu?
- Do you prefer **traditional** houses or **modern** houses?
- Do you prefer to sleep in a **dark** room or a **light** room?
- Do you and your best friend enjoy **similar** things or **different** things?
- For you, is **social media** a **positive** thing or a **negative** thing?
- On holiday, do you prefer to have **general** plans or more **specific** plans?
- Is knowing about history **useful** or **useless** in your daily life?
- Do other people think you are **lazy** or **hardworking**?

GLOSSARY

common	If sth is common , it happens often, or you find it in many places: a common name OPP unusual
traditional	If sth is traditional , it is typical of things that people have done for a long time. tradition <i>n</i> OPP modern
dark	with no light, or not much light OPP light
similar	the same in many ways, but not completely the same OPP different
social media	websites, e.g. WhatsApp, Instagram, where you can communicate with people who have similar interests thinking or talking about the good parts of a situation OPP negative
positive	not in detail, giving only the main parts of sth OPP specific
general	good and helpful for doing sth OPP useless
useful	A lazy person doesn't like working hard. OPP hardworking
lazy	

- 4 Tick (✓) the words with the main stress on the first syllable, like narrow and tiny. Put a cross (X) for the others. Use the APP to help you. Practise saying the words.

- ▶ modern ☐ prefer ☒
- 1 useless ☐ 3 different ☐ 5 general ☐ 7 unusual ☐ 9 tradition ☐
- 2 common ☐ 4 specific ☐ 6 media ☐ 8 useful ☐ 10 similar ☐

- 5 True or false? Write T or F.

- ▶ A useful book is one that helps you to do something. T
- 1 Two similar things are almost the same.
- 2 You can read easily in a light room.
- 3 The style of a traditional building is modern.
- 4 An unusual event happens a lot.
- 5 Specific instructions are clear and with a lot of detail.
- 6 A useless thing will help you.
- 7 If a type of car is common, you see it a lot.
- 8 A lazy person works very hard.
- 9 In the middle of the day, it's usually dark.
- 10 If somebody is on social media, they are online.

- 6 Complete the dialogues.

- ▶ Do the two brothers look different? ~ No, they look very similar.
- 1 Did you talk about anything specific? ~ No, it was a very conversation.
- 2 Did you go to class yesterday? ~ Yes, we had a very lesson on prepositions.
- 3 Is Paco's flat dark? ~ No, it's very with lovely views of the sea.
- 4 Is Bythesea a common name? ~ No, it's very I've never heard it.
- 5 Do you like modern architecture? ~ No, I prefer styles.
- 6 Mariella seems a bit lazy to me. ~ No, that's not true. She's very
- 7 Was the weather information helpful? ~ No, it was, and we got very wet.

- 7 ABOUT YOU Write your answers to the questions in the questionnaire, or talk to another student.



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