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## ANTONYMS

An Antonym is a word that means the opposite or nearly the opposite meaning to another word.

	The car is <b>fast</b> and the foot bicycle is <b>slow</b> . <b>fast – slow</b>
	He is <b>happy</b> and she is <b>sad</b> . <b>happy – sad</b>
	Panchi is <b>crying</b> but Banti is <b>laughing</b> . <b>crying – laughing</b>
	The giraffe is <b>tall</b> but the cow is <b>short</b> . <b>tall – short</b>
	I have a <b>big</b> ball but my brother have a <b>small</b> ball. <b>big - small</b>

1. Write an opposite for each word given here. (antonyms)

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| 1. last - .....  | 6. cold - .....   |
| 2. short - ..... | 7. high - .....   |
| 3. up - .....    | 8. big - .....    |
| 4. slow - .....  | 9. fast - .....   |
| 5. close - ..... | 10. first - ..... |

2. Read and circle the pairs of antonyms.

- sad / good / tall / bad
- wet / hot / dry / dark
- often / early / absent / present
- speed / shower / power / faster
- arrival / start / departure / close

- 6. honest / patient / innocent / impatient
- 7. first / second / third / last
- 8. strong / high bright / wrong
- 9. win / help / lose / enjoy
- 10.inside / outside / behind / near

3. Select the suitable antonyms for the underlined words and fill in the blanks.

slow / easy / close / careful / cheap

- 1. Brother : Shall I **open** the window ?  
Sister : No, ..... it. It is raining outside.
- 2. Passenger A: That is “Yala Devi” express train. It runs **fast**.  
Passenger B: This is only to Polgahawela. It is a ..... train.
- 3. Teacher : Is this question too **difficult** for you?  
Student : No, it is ..... to answer.
- 4. Customer : This gold watch is very **expensive**.  
Salesman : Then take this. It is .....
- 5. Mother : Don't be **careless**, when you cross the road.  
Child : O.K. I always try to be .....

4. Write meaningful sentences using the given words. Underling the antonyms in the sentence.

Ex: weak / father / strong / grandfather / but

My father is **strong** but my grandfather is **weak**.

- 1. like / hot / cool / I / tea / drinks / don't / but  
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- 2. Ruwan / black / white / likes / shirts  
.....
- 3. natural / the / exhibition / decorations / there / and / flower / artificial  
.....
- 4. Nuwara Eliya / cold / Jaffna / hot / but / too  
.....
- 5. Exports / tea / imports / Sri Lanka / dhal / and  
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