OPPOSITES: ADJECTIVES

C2 | Adults / Teens | Vocabulary Practice | 20-30 minutes

Topic: Everyday English | Skills: Vocabulary, Writing | Language focus: Antonyms

Write the opposite adjective. Use the answer key to check your work.

1. abstemious _____

2. astute _____

3. audacious _____

4. benign _____

5. capricious _____

6. circumspect _____

7. copious _____

8. cordial _____

9. deft _____

10. diligent _____

11. docile _____

12. exemplary _____

13. forthright _____

14. frugal _____

15. gregarious _____

16. impartial _____

17. incisive _____

18. infallible _____

19. ingenious _____

20. methodical _____

21. placid _____

22. prudent _____

23. robust _____

24. sagacious _____

EXTRA PRACTICE

Choose four pairs. Write one sentence per pair, using one or both words.

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OPPOSITES: ADJECTIVES - ANSWERS

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Suggested answers. Some opposites can vary with context.

1. abstemious
indulgent

2. astute
naive

3. audacious
timid

4. benign
malignant

5. capricious
predictable

6. circumspect
impulsive

7. copious
scant

8. cordial
hostile

9. deft
clumsy

10. diligent
indolent

11. docile
defiant

12. exemplary
substandard

13. forthright
guarded

14. frugal
extravagant

15. gregarious
solitary

16. impartial
partisan

17. incisive
rambling

18. infallible
fallible

19. ingenious
unimaginative

20. methodical
haphazard

21. placid
volatile

22. prudent
imprudent

23. robust
frail

24. sagacious
foolish

Also accept: benign - harmful (general meaning); gregarious - reserved; incisive - vague. Extra practice: answers vary. Accept suitable meanings.

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