

Opposites Attract

By the end of this lesson, you will be able to:

- identify specific adjective and their opposites.
- discuss alter egos.
- use the prefixes "in," "un," and "im."



Warm Up

Answer the questions. Listen to your classmates' answers.



- 1. Describe these animals.
- 2. How is one penguin the opposite of the other penguin in this picture?
- 3. What other opposite adjective pairs do you know?

Words to Use: white, black, front, back, left, right

Describe and Discuss

Discuss with your class. What do you think?

Describe how each picture represents the word below it. Make a sentence using this word. What is the opposite of this word?





Love Boring

Try It! Did you guess the words correctly? Look at the answers with your class.



Word: love Opposite: hate

Example: They are in love.



Word: boring Opposite: interesting

Example: The film is very boring.

Matching

Match these pairs of words with your class and make sentences with them.

English adjectives frequently come in pairs of opposites. Match the opposite adjectives in the first column to the second column.

calm

full

hungry

fiction

simple

complex

huge

excited

fact

tiny

Which words describe things that you like? Which describe things that you don't like?

Read and Answer

Read about alter egos and answer the questions with your classmates.



Many people have alternative personalities called alter egos. Some people dress up as their alter ego and go to parties or conventions. A person's alter ego often has many characteristics that are the opposite of their actual personality.

- 1. Do you have an alter ego? How do you express this side of your personality?
- 2. Use adjectives to describe your actual personality.
- 3. Describe the characteristics of your alter ego.

Idiom

Talk about this idiom with your teacher and classmates.

On-again off-again = A type of relationship in which people break up and then get back together repeatedly



On and Off relationship.

My Sister In Law has a On Off relationship.

I have a couple of friends that have a on off relationship. Recently they broke up.

On off relationship can be toxic.

Example: Should we invite Derek and Melissa to the party? I don't know if they are together, because they have an *on-again off-again* relationship.

Who do you know who has an *on-again off-again* relationship? Explain.

Prefixes

Talk about the words in the boxes and practice using them in sentences.

In English, the prefixes "un," "in," and "im" mean "not." We add them to the beginning of some words to change its meaning. Look at the examples.

Α. intelligent

tolerant

possible

B.

unintelligent

intolerant

impossible

Un - goes with Germanic roots

In - goes with latin roots

E.G - unproductive, unfortunate, unreliable, undesirable, unconscious.

Respect is the first step to be tolerant

Example: Taking a trip this weekend is *possible*, but going to Paris is *impossible*. Create sentences using the other opposite pairs.

Sign Post

Read the quotation and discuss.



"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times."

~Charles Dickens

What does this mean to you?

What events might happen in a person's life that would represent the meaning of this quotation?

Act It Out

Choose a role and act it out with a partner.



Role A

- 1. You and your co-worker just met a new colleague.
- 2. Tell your co-worker what you thought about this person.

Role B

- 1. You had the opposite impression of the new colleague.
- 2. Use opposite adjectives to describe the colleague.

Class Project

Work with your class to complete this project.

Your class is a real estate group who wants to buy a new house. Find the adjectives in each phrase and describe the opposite property. Which one do you want to buy? Why?



- A large, old house in a quiet area in the countryside
- A modern apartment with a huge kitchen and three tiny bedrooms in the city center

Extension

Use this slide to extend the activity.

Talk It Over

Talk about these questions with your classmates.

Would you rather be rich and unhealthy or poor and healthy?

I think that poor and healthy is better than rich and unhealthy because when we have health we can conquer many things because we have energy to do it.

When do you change from calm to anxious? From awake to sleepy?

Do you prefer your house to be tidy, or are you comfortable if it is a little messy? Explain. I prefer my house tidy, but when I'm very tired I don't have problems when it is little messy.

