

**Instructions:**

In each of the following sentences, the italicized word has a fairly neutral connotation. For each word in italics, list *two* [synonyms](#) (words with similar denotations): one with a negative connotation and the other with a positive connotation.

*Example:*

Sometimes my *thin* friend annoys me.

**negative connotation:** scrawny

**positive connotation:** slim

1. I recognized the familiar *smell* of my roommate's cooking.
2. Scrapple is an *inexpensive* meal.
3. Kevin's interest in model cars has turned into a *hobby*.
4. Uncle Henry lives in a *hut* deep in the woods.
5. Phileas Fogg was an *adventurous* traveler.
6. We stopped for lunch at a *diner* in West Virginia.
7. My parents are committed *conservationists*.
8. My *old* laptop has finally died.
9. In a quiet and *stealthy* way, Bartleby moved into the lawyer's chambers.
10. The teacher was mildly intimidated by Mary's *assertive* behavior.