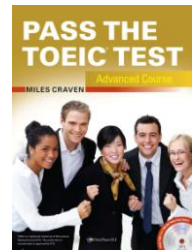
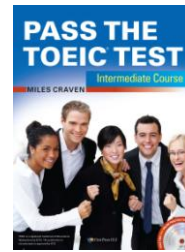
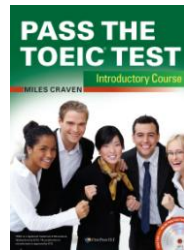


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Synonyms and Antonyms

Synonyms are words that have similar meanings (e.g., *leave* and *depart*). Antonyms are words that have opposite meanings (e.g., *love* and *hate*). Recognizing synonyms and antonyms can help you to identify the correct response in Part 3 of the TOEIC test.

Synonyms

Exercise 1

Match the nouns that have a similar meaning.

- | | |
|---------------|--------------|
| 1. agenda | a. defect |
| 2. assistance | b. goal |
| 3. fault | c. debate |
| 4. proof | d. customer |
| 5. client | e. personnel |
| 6. advantage | f. evidence |
| 7. suggestion | g. revenue |
| 8. discussion | h. help |
| 9. staff | i. barrier |
| 10. obstacle | j. benefit |
| 11. target | k. schedule |
| 12. income | l. proposal |
1. ___ 2. ___ 3. ___ 4. ___ 5. ___ 6. ___ 7. ___ 8. ___ 9. ___ 10. ___ 11. ___ 12. ___

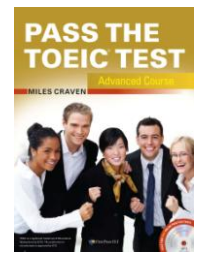
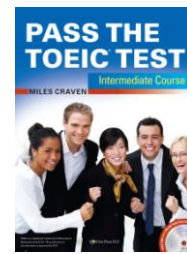
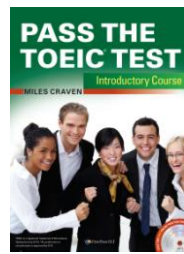
Exercise 2

Underline two adjectives in each set of words that have similar meanings.

- | | | | | |
|----------------|------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|
| 1. dangerous | inaccurate | risky | mean | shocking |
| 2. traditional | stable | committed | steady | positive |
| 3. exact | vacant | professional | appealing | precise |
| 4. functional | essential | suitable | executive | appropriate |
| 5. distinctive | official | humble | modest | rival |
| 6. original | adequate | disposable | unique | persuasive |

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Antonyms

Exercise 1

Study these verbs. Match the opposites.

- | | |
|-------------|-------------|
| 1. admit | a. miss |
| 2. fail | b. receive |
| 3. lend | c. succeed |
| 4. deposit | d. defend |
| 5. send | e. increase |
| 6. differ | f. create |
| 7. attack | g. deny |
| 8. catch | h. depart |
| 9. reduce | i. withdraw |
| 10. destroy | j. lose |
| 11. arrive | k. borrow |
| 12. win | l. agree |

1. ___ 2. ___ 3. ___ 4. ___ 5. ___ 6. ___ 7. ___ 8. ___ 9. ___ 10. ___ 11. ___ 12. ___

Exercise 2

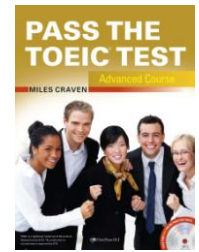
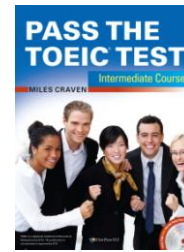
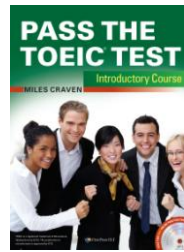
Study these adjectives. Match the opposites.

- | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. modern | a. deliberate |
| 2. permanent | b. temporary |
| 3. keen | c. amateur |
| 4. private | d. traditional |
| 5. professional | e. public |
| 6. gentle | f. severe |
| 7. accidental | g. foolish |
| 8. sensible | h. uninterested |

1. ___ 2. ___ 3. ___ 4. ___ 5. ___ 6. ___ 7. ___ 8. ___

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Answers

Synonyms Exercise 1: 1. k, 2. h, 3. a, 4. f, 5. d, 6. j, 7. l, 8. c, 9. e, 10. i, 11. b, 12. g

Exercise 2: 1. dangerous/risky, 2. stable/steady, 3. exact/precise
4. suitable/appropriate, 5. humble/modest, 6. original/unique

Antonyms Exercise 1: 1. g, 2. c, 3. k, 4. i, 5. b, 6. l, 7. d, 8. a, 9. e, 10. f, 11. h, 12. j

Exercise 2: 1. d, 2. b, 3. h, 4. e, 5. c, 6. f, 7. a, 8. g

Expansion activity

a. Use your dictionary to find a synonym for each word. Then write an example sentence.

protection (noun) _____

Example sentence: _____.

salvage (verb) _____

Example sentence: _____.

emphasize (verb) _____

Example sentence: _____.

varied (adjective) _____

Example sentence: _____.

priceless (adjective) _____

Example sentence: _____.

b. Use your dictionary to find an antonym for each word. Then write an example sentence.

bargain (noun) _____

Example sentence: _____.

convince (verb) _____

Example sentence: _____.

restrict (verb) _____

Example sentence: _____.

deliberate (adjective) _____

Example sentence: _____.

feasible (adjective) _____

Example sentence: _____.