



Mourning Dove Vocabulary...Antonyms

Definition:

An **antonym** is a word that has the opposite meaning of a word.

Let's go:

Circle the antonym that best fits the underlined word in the following sentences. Each sentence is also found on page 27. You may notice it changes the story quite a bit...quite the opposite actually!

1. "Every day Nana baked tea biscuits and never seemed to tire of it."
(always, nearly)
2. "Sometimes Billy was up early enough to watch her flip the bowl of batter out onto the floured board." (near the beginning, late)
3. "The dust would rise slowly and fall again." (quickly, leisurely)
4. "Her hands gently shaped and patted the dough evenly."
(tenderly, harshly)
5. "She took an old metal cookie cutter with a serrated edge and pushed it down into the batter." (smooth, jagged)
6. "When she had eight, she lifted the perfectly shaped biscuits one by one onto the baking sheet." (poorly, flawlessly)
7. "Billy could already smell the aroma and was never quite sure if the smell was the heat as Nana opened the oven or his imagination." (warmth, chill)

Bonus:

Write your own sentence below. Underline a word, and put your best antonym in brackets at the end of the sentence. It will change the meaning of your sentence!

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