

# Denotation and Connotation 2

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*Denotation* is the literal meaning of the word.

*Connotation* is the association (emotional or otherwise) which the word evokes.

Part A. Tell if the following underlined words create a favorable or unfavorable connotation in the sentences below.

1. Frustrated and impatient, the woman snapped at the cashier while checking her out.
2. My mother has always been considered to be a penny pincher.
3. The girl was smart as a whip.
4. My dad is an exquisite chef in the kitchen.
5. The car salesman was very pushy.
6. The congressman was very cunning in his approach to debate.

Part B. Choose the sentence that best fits the connotation of the given situation.

7. Which of the following sentences best describes how a person might feel if their name was mispronounced by someone?

- A. Daniel was outraged.
- B. Daniel was mad.
- C. Daniel was annoyed

8. Which of the following sentences best describes how a person might react to being late for class?

- A. Tiffany sprinted down the hall.
- B. Tiffany raced down the hall.
- C. Tiffany ran down the hall.

9. Which of the following sentences is more positive in meaning?

- A. Everyone thought the model's outfit was dull.
- B. Everyone thought the model's outfit was ugly.
- C. Everyone thought the model's outfit was plain.

10. Which of the following sentences is more negative in meaning?

- A. The con man had spent many years incarcerated for his crimes.
- B. The con man had spent many years locked-up for his crimes.
- C. The con man had spent many years imprisoned for his crimes.



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