

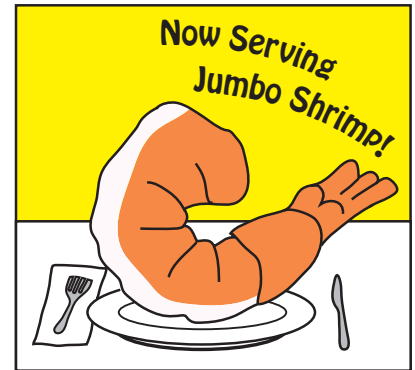
Answer Key

Seriously Funny Oxymorons

An **oxymoron** is a figure of speech made up of two words that have opposite meanings. Writers use these contradictory phrases as a way to add a dramatic effect to their writing.

Directions: Underline the oxymoron in each sentence.

1. My teacher has the original copy of my report card.
2. After my little sister left, my best friend and I were finally alone together.
3. It's an open secret that Sam cheats when he plays cards.
4. A small crowd gathered to watch the fireworks.
5. Wow! That hairless dog is pretty ugly.
6. Strawberry is my least favorite flavor.



Directions: Write your own sentences using the oxymorons below.

7. inside out I can tell my shirt is inside out because I can see the tag.
8. second best Ben always wins, but I am second best.
9. almost exactly I asked for a chicken sandwich, but I got a hamburger. It's almost exactly what I ordered.
10. loud whisper I told a scary story in a loud whisper.