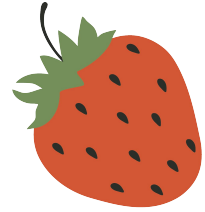


Pick the Word With the More Positive Connotation

Connotation is the feeling or idea that goes along with a word or phrase. Related words sometimes have different connotations. For example, a person could be described as *shy* or *mousy*. The word **shy** has a more **positive** connotation, while **mousy** has a more **negative** connotation.

Directions: Read the sentences below. Circle the word with the more positive connotation to complete each sentence.



1. Eve picked berries with **childish / childlike** delight knowing they would make a wonderful pie.
2. Marcus is known for his **frugal / stingy** attitude towards spending and managing money.
3. My brother and I love to talk about comic books, but sometimes he's so **mouthy / talkative** that I can't seem to get a word in.
4. The author described the stranger as having a **slender / scrawny** face and wispy brown hair.
5. Lisa might seem **reserved / frosty**, but she prefers to observe others before joining in on new conversations.
6. In June of 1940, Winston Churchill gave one of his most **egotistical / confident** speeches to the House of Commons, lifting their spirits during World War II.
7. The newspaper article said Mrs. Valentini made a **brash / bold** decision by withdrawing from the campaign.
8. In a recent interview, actor Noah James **arrogantly / confidently** described his recent projects and awards.
9. John Adams, who has often been criticized for his **bullish / opinionated** remarks, helped form American democracy.
10. As he turned the corner of the castle, the architect stopped to gaze at the **outlandish / distinctive** gargoyle perched overhead.