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Which Word Has the More Positive Connotation?

Connotation is the feeling or idea that goes along with a word or phrase. Some words are close in meaning but have different connotations.

For example, the words **search** and **snoop** both have to do with looking for something. However, they have different **connotations**.

Search *has a more* ***positive connotation****.*
To ***search*** *is to look carefully for something.*

Snoop *has a more* ***negative connotation****.*
To ***snoop*** *is to look into something private.*

Directions: Read each set of words. Circle the word with the more positive connotation.

1.	different	strange
2.	relaxed	lazy
3.	small	cozy
4.	odor	smell
5.	hovering	standing
6.	special	weird
7.	clever	sneaky
8.	impatient	eager
9.	old	traditional
10.	an animal	a beast

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