

Connotation Relationship

The connotation of a word refers to the differing tones, nuances, or suggestions in two words that are otherwise synonyms. For example, the following words are all synonyms for “smell,” but each word suggests something distinct and different about the concept of smelling. A word can have a positive, negative, or neutral connotation.



Positive	Neutral	Negative
scent	smell	stench

DIRECTIONS: Fill in the chart of connotation relationships.

Positive	Neutral	Negative
	house	
	young	
	talkative	
	curious	
	practical	
	relaxed	
	determined	