



Don't know what a word means? First see if there are any PARTS of the word you know. Then use the wordsmyth dictionary link on the ALPHA web-site to look it up. englishforeveryone.org

Opposite Bridge - Nice : mean :: Tall : short

**Nice is the opposite of mean
tall is the opposite of short**

***similar to a lack bridge but not quite the same**

Classic Analogy Bridges

The best strategy to use when completing analogies problems is the bridge sentence strategy. Bridge sentences are helpful because they enable the student to instantly recognize the answer pair by plugging it into the bridge sentence formulated from the question pair. If the bridge sentence works with both the question pair and answer pair, then you know you have found the correct answer. To learn more about bridge sentences, please look at the following examples:

Function Bridge:

SHOVEL : DIG

- 1) bag : buy
- 2) baby : cry
- 3) cloud : rain
- 4) fork : eat
- 5) car : stop

A **shovel** is used to **dig**.
A **fork** is used to **eat**.

Degree Bridge:

BAD : TERRIBLE

- 1) hard : difficult
- 2) hot : warm
- 3) funny : hilarious
- 4) right : wrong
- 5) young : new

Something that is extremely **bad** is **terrible**.
Something that is extremely **funny** is **hilarious**.

Lack Bridge:

UGLY : BEAUTY

- 1) serious : humor
- 2) painful : happiness
- 3) old : age
- 4) hot : heat
- 5) sweet : strength

Something **ugly** lacks **beauty**.
Something **serious** lacks **humor**.

Characteristic Bridge:

CANDY : SWEET

- 1) man : strong
- 2) time : fast
- 3) money : powerful
- 4) movie : exciting
- 5) fire : hot

A characteristic of a **candy** is to be **sweet**.
A characteristic of a **fire** is to be **hot**.

Definition Bridge:

BOY : MAN

- 1) plant : flower
- 2) lamb : sheep
- 3) shirt : sweater
- 4) pond : lake
- 5) wind : fire

By definition, an adult **boy** is a **man**.
By definition, an adult **lamb** is a **sheep**.

Type/Kind Bridge:

WRENCH : TOOL

- 1) knee : leg
- 2) rose : flower
- 3) automobile : car
- 4) pencil : paper
- 5) school : punishment

A **wrench** is a type of **tool**.
A **rose** is a type of **flower**.

Part to Whole Bridge:

FINGER : HAND

- 1) ball : game
- 2) clock : room
- 3) wheel : car
- 4) hat : suit
- 5) man : woman

A **finger** is part of a **hand**.
A **wheel** is part of a **car**.

Other:

RING : FINGER

- 1) plant : tree
- 2) bag : jacket
- 3) suit : watch
- 4) necklace : neck
- 5) mountain : ocean

A **ring** is worn around the **finger**.
A **necklace** is worn around the **neck**.

Other:

BEES : HIVE

- 1) ants : city
- 2) humans : barn
- 3) birds : nest
- 4) snakes : house
- 5) bears : hotel

Bees make their home in a **hive**.
Birds make their home in a **nest**.