

Name _____

Directions: Here are 24 adjectives listed in a random order. Using the Visual Thesaurus, sort this list into 12 pairs of words with similar definitions. Then, complete the “Connotations Chart” (Page 2) by correctly identifying the word in each pair that has a neutral or positive connotation and the word in each pair that has a negative connotation.

24 Adjectives

obsessive	reserved	mushy	curious
bold	timid	cheap	hyperactive
sentimental	strong-willed	withdrawn	brash
scrawny	frugal	stylish	smug
cowardly	stubborn	nosey	energetic
thin	self-confident	faddish	fervent

Connotation Chart

Directions: Complete this chart with twelve pairs of words with similar definitions but different connotations. Write the word of the pair with a positive or neutral connotation in the left-hand column and the other word of the pair with the negative connotation in the right-hand column.

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