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PRONUNCIATION AND DETERMINE THE MEANING OF KEY WORDS AND PHRASES.

Brooke had planned the perfect escape: a tightrope stretched from her bedroom window to the huge oak tree outside. Now she would put her plan into action. She climbed out of the window and guardedly stepped on the rope-first one foot, then the other-cautiously adjusting her balance. The tree was only a few feet away.

If she went very slowly, watching every step, she just might make it.

***Use the dictionary entry for the word GUARDED to answer the questions below.***

**1:** [**cautious**](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/cautious)**,** [**circumspect**](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/circumspect)

**2:** being an extremely serious condition with uncertain outcome <was in *guarded* condition after the crash>

— **guard·ed·ly** *adverb*

1. Underline two words or phrases in the passage that are close in meaning to the word guardedly. List them below.

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1. What does the word *guardedly* mean?
2. quietly
3. boldly
4. secretly
5. carefully

Although Grody is usually quite charming and polite, he saw his sister’s wedding as the perfect opportunity to be obnoxious.

***Use the thesaurus entry for the word OBNOXIOUS to answer the questions below***

**Synonyms** [appalling](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/appalling), [awful](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/awful), [disgusting](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/disgusting), [evil](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/evil), [foul](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/foul), [gross](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/gross), [nasty](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/nasty), [nauseating](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/nauseating), [nauseous](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/nauseous), [noisome](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/noisome), [noxious](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/noxious), [obscene](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/obscene), [revolting](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/revolting), [shocking](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/shocking), [sickening](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/sickening), [ugly](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/ugly)

**Antonyms** [acceptable](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/acceptable), [agreeable](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/agreeable), [blessed](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/blessed), [darling](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/darling), [enjoyable](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/enjoyable), [felicitous](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/felicitous), [good](http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/good)

1. Underline two words or phrases in the passage that might have the opposite meaning of the word obnoxious.

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1. What does the word *obnoxious* mean?
2. joyful B. kind C. sad D. rude