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ANTONYMS

**Read the following passage from *The Summer of the Swans* by Betsy Byars. It tells about a girl named Sara who enjoys watching movies on television.**

She was good, too, at joining in the dialogue with the actors. When the cowboy would say something like, “Things are quiet around here tonight,” she would join in with, “Yeah, too quiet,” right on cue.

The words “dialogue” and “say something” are used in the passage as

1. antonyms
2. synonyms

Use what you know about synonyms or antonyms to tell the meaning of the word “dialogue” in the passage.

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**Read the following passage from *Adventure in Space* by James A. Bartlett. It tells about a scary trip that helped change how we think about space travel.**

The moon may look nice from earth, but it’s an unkind place for human life. Its ground is dry and rocky. Temperatures can go from red hot to ice cold. When the United States decided to send astronauts to the moon, it had to make sure their equipment was ready. Scientists did many tests, both on earth and in space. Everything had to be perfect.

The words “nice” and “unkind” are used in this passage as

1. antonyms
2. synonyms

Use what you know about synonyms or antonyms to tell the meaning of the word “unkind” in the passage.

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