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Learning Oxymoron Worksheet

An oxymoron is a figure of speech in which apparently contradictory terms appear in conjunction. Two opposites are joined to create an effect.
Example: cruel kindness or living death

Directions: Read each sentence and underline the oxymoron example in each.

Example: The original copies were on my desk.

Answer: The original copies were on my desk.

1. The liquid gas threatened the environment.
2. The original copies arrived in the mail.
3. The open secret kept me waiting in suspense.
4. The tragic comedy was very entertaining to watch.
5. That incident was seriously funny.
6. I'm having an awfully pretty afternoon.
7. Do you have any foolish wisdom?
8. You are looking painfully beautiful today.
9. The random order of the class is driving me insane.
10. That cupcake was awfully delicious.
11. The dark snow was everywhere outside.
12. I wanted to act naturally when I arrived at the scene.