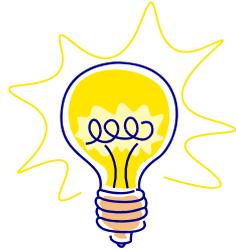


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Aunt Skeeter and the bad Itch

It was a very hot day out on the Bluebell farm. Aunt Skeeter had been working in the garden since daybreak.



She looked up at the hot sun and wished she were swimming in the cool creek down the road. All at once a good idea came to her mind.

She decided a swim was just what she needed, so she ran down to the creek and jumped right in! A smile spread across Aunt Skeeter's face as she floated on the water.



However, her nice swim didn't last for long. All of a sudden, Aunt Skeeter let out a cry that could be heard in the next town.

She jumped up out of the water like she'd been shot from a cannon. She wiggled and squirmed as she tried to find the source of her discomfort.



After one big shake, a fat catfish came flopping out of Aunt Skeeter's overalls. Seeing the catfish made Aunt Skeeter laugh so hard that that she had the hiccups for two

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SYNONYMS, ANTONYMS AND HOMONYMS

Find synonyms (for the words in brackets), antonyms for the words in **boxes** and highlight the right homonym for the **bold words**. When you have found a suitable synonym or antonym write it in the blank space.

Aunt Skeeter and the (bad) _____ Itch

It was a (very) _____ hot day out on the Bluebell farm.

Aunt/Aren't Skeeter had **been/bean** working in the garden since (daybreak) _____

She looked up at the (hot) _____ **son/sun** and wished she were swimming

in the (cool) _____ creek down the **road/rode**. All at once a **terrible**

_____ idea came to her mind.

She decided a swim was just what she needed, so she **walked slowly** _____

down to the **creek/creak** and (jumped) _____ **right/write** in!

A smile spread across Aunt Skeeter's face as she floated on the water. However, her

(nice) _____ swim didn't last for long. All of a sudden, Aunt Skeeter

let out a (cry) _____ that could be heard in the next town. She jumped up

out of the water like she'd been shot from a cannon. She wiggled and squirmed as she tried

to **lose** _____ the **sauce/source** of her discomfort. After one

(big) _____ shake, a **skinny** _____

catfish came flopping out of Aunt Skeeter's overalls.

Seeing the catfish **maid/made** Aunt Skeeter (laugh) _____ so hard

that she had the hiccups for **to/too/two** days!