**Connotation and Denotation Notes**

Connotation = Denotation =

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| **Pillow** | **Cacophony** |
| Sound:  Connotation:  Denotation:  Synonyms: | Sound:  Connotation:  Denotation:  Synonyms: |

**Connotation vs. Denotation**

* Which is more important? Why?
* Why might an author use connotation to decide the word choice in a piece of writing?

Fiction:

Nonfiction:

Connotation Continuum:

Continuum Practice:

**Unit #1: Journey**

What is a journey?

What are some synonyms for Journey?

Journey Connotation Continuum:

**Paint chip Continuum Assignment:**

1. Using the connotation continuum with the words that mean journey, choose words using the scale FUN to SERIOUS.

2. Place one word in each of the boxes on the colored scale beginning with your FUN word in the lightest color and your SERIOUS in the boldest color.

3. Once you have created your continuum, choose a journey you have experienced in your own life that correlates with one of your chosen words.  This could be an emotional, physical, or mental journey.

4. Glue your continuum in the middle of a piece of white computer paper.

5. For each of the words on your continuum, choose a journey that correlates with each.  You should have a sentence that identifies your journey along with a small (doesn’t have to be super detailed) picture to represent your journey.

6.  On the back of your paper, go into more detail and using bullet points, add the following:

* Journey events
* Type of journey (emotional, mental, physical, or other)
* How it relates to the word on your continuum
* How you chose where it fell on the continuum (was it a more fun or serious journey)