



“Shooting An Elephant”

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Fill in the *connotative* and *denotative* meanings of the following words or phrases.

| Example | Connotative Meaning | Denotative Meaning |
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| One day something happened which in a roundabout way was enlightening | | |
| It was a poor quarter, a labyrinth of squalid bamboo huts , thatched with palmleaf, winding all over the steep hillside . | | |
| I marched down the hill, looking and feeling a fool, with the rifle over my shoulder and an ever-growing army of people jostling at my heels. | | |
| They were watching me as they would watch a conjurer about to perform a trick. They did not like me, but with the magical rifle in my hands I was momentarily worth watching. | | |
| He wears a mask , and his face grows to fit it. | | |