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Match the synonyms.

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| 2. _____ creature | B. advance |
| 3. _____ earth | C. sluggish |
| 4. _____ walk | D. moist |
| 5. _____ first | E. thrilling |
| 6. _____ slow | F. quick |
| 7. _____ moving | G. animals |
| 8. _____ cold | H. stroll |
| 9. _____ fast | I. world |
| 10. _____ humid | J. frigid |

Match the antonyms.

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| 2. _____ creature | B. run |
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