

Chapter-1 Synonyms



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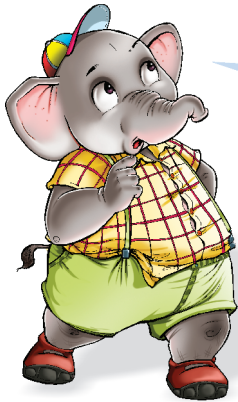
Synonym is a word or phrase that means the same as another word or phrase.
For example: student-pupil
The teacher admired the *student(pupil)* for his good efforts.
look out-watch out/search
I am always on the *look out (search)* for interesting books.



Read the following dialogues:



Listen carefully.



Don't you find this conversation boring?
These are the responses generally received when we describe our feelings, food or someone.
For instance: If we want to describe our feeling, we say, 'I feel good.'
If we want to describe food, we say, 'The food is good.'
If we want to describe someone, we say, 'She looks good.'
These common words are over used, which makes the conversation boring.

So, let us use some new words so that our content becomes more interesting without changing the meaning.

Some different sentences for the following statements are given below without changing their meaning.

I feel good today.
(Describes your condition)
I feel healthy today.



The food is good.
(Describes your taste)
The food is delicious.



She looks good.
(Describes her looks)
She looks attractive.



Don't you think the sentences given above sound better?

The words 'healthy', 'delicious', 'attractive' used instead of the word 'good' are called its 'Synonyms'.

Synonyms can be of nouns, verbs, adverbs or adjectives but both the words must be of the same part of speech, i.e. only a noun can be a synonym of another noun and only a verb can be a synonym of another verb and so on.

Synonyms of nouns	Synonyms of verbs
woman-lady cook-chef teacher-educator roof-ceiling student-pupil	cry-weep clap-applaud make-prepare purchase-buy fix-repair
Synonyms of adjectives	Synonyms of adverbs
strange-funny, weird tasty-delicious afraid-scared wealthy-affluent stubborn-obstinate	happily-joyfully hastily-fast quickly-rapidly daily-everyday next day-tomorrow



Let us play a game called 'Word Hunt'. Divide yourselves into five teams. Each team will work on the words given in their respective column. Using the prescribed dictionary, find the meanings of the words listed in the table below. Now, find the synonym of each word and cut out related pictures from the stack of magazines given to you, within a time span of twenty minutes. Finally, all teams will present the meaning, synonyms and their pictures to the class. The team which finds the synonyms for the maximum number of words will win.

Team A	Team B	Team C	Team D	Team E
repair	pretend	build	strange	praise
triumph	repair	declare	target	mad

Team A	Team B	Team C	Team D	Team E
woman	big	interesting	roof	funny
declare	goal	penalty	student	cry
cook	happy	effect	victory	result

List down the five words which your team learnt during the activity, along with their respective meanings.



I. Select a suitable synonym for each of the underlined words.

- The woman wore a red sari.
 girl lady mother
- I had a bad day today.
 terrible ugly unlucky
- Winning the award was a happy moment for me.
 laughing joyful content
- I saw a strange person on the roof of the building.
 funny weird happy
- The mad dog bit the boy.
 bad hungry angry



6. Masons build buildings.

design construct break

7. Each student contributed towards charity.

pupil boy girl

8. The teacher explained the activity to the class.

woman instructor man

9. The plumber repaired the leaking tap.

broke fixed tied

10. The children found the movie, 'Harry Potter' very interesting.

boring rewarding fascinating



II. Read and complete the passage with synonyms of the words given in the brackets:

The (chef) _____ at the Grand Hotel was declared the best Chef in the city. The (big) _____ cake he had baked, won the first prize in the competition. The judges (praised) _____ the chef and (applauded) _____ loudly. He (pretended) _____ to be unaffected and looked up at the (ceiling) _____. Tears welled up and he (cried) _____ with (happiness) _____. His (triumph) _____ was the (effect) _____ of many hours of hard work to achieve his (goal) _____. If he had not won, it would have been a great (loss) _____ which he would never have forgotten.

