

Synonyms

A synonym is a word with the same or a similar meaning to another word.

For example: synonyms of big are large, huge, massive, colossal.

Writers often use a synonym to make a sentence more effective.

Part 1

Write 3 synonyms for the following words (use a thesaurus if you're stuck!)

- Fast
- Small
- Cold
- Hungry

Part 2

Match each word from the first column to its synonyms in the other two columns. Set it out as follows: hideous- ugly, repulsive

hideous

drenched

saturated

nasty

ugly

gigantic

enormous

cross

furious

angry

delighted

horrible

happy

awful

joyful

soaked

huge

repulsive

Part 3

Complete these sentences using different synonyms for good. For example:

I think the chocolate tastes great!

1. My dad is a _____ cook.
2. I am _____ at football.
3. My favourite subject is art. It is _____.
4. My best friend is a _____ person.
5. The pizza was _____.

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Part 4

Copy the following sentences into your jotter, replacing the underlined word with a different synonym.

1. I ate a tasty sandwich for lunch.
2. I was pleased when we won the prize.
3. Tim's new house was large.
4. The old man was mean.
5. The ogre was ugly!
6. Mum was cross when I broke her expensive vase.
7. Jenny felt sad when her friend left town.
8. Ali got wet playing cricket in the pouring rain.

Part 5

Choose any 5 words from the list below and write as many synonyms as you can for that word.

For example: Fast- quick, speedy, rapid, swift, prompt, brisk, hastily

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| • good | • weak | • wet | • tasty |
| • ugly | • angry | • kind | • young |
| • loud | • happy | • mean | • bad |
| • pretty | • sad | • big | • strong |
| • old | • slow | • simple | • scary |