



# Synonyms

A synonym is a word that has the same, or nearly the same, meaning as another word.

- Circle the word in each sentence that is a synonym for the underlined word.

My bedroom is a mess — it's complete (**splendour** / **chaos** / **ruin**).

The horse nibbled Mum's ear — he actually (**kissed** / **licked** / **bit**) it.

Rasheed carefully opened the door — he (**slowly** / **cautiously** / **bravely**) pushed it.

- Circle the two words in each sentence that are synonyms of each other.

Rachel is the most fashionable person I know — her clothes are always really trendy.

I was frightened by the big brown bear because it was so extraordinarily large.

- Rewrite the sentences below, replacing the underlined word with a synonym.

A strange noise is coming from the kitchen.

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Judy's house was completely bare.

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- Write down as many synonyms as you can think of for the words below.

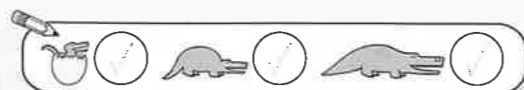
happy .....

quickly .....

friend .....

repair .....

Grammagators use synonyms to make their writing more interesting and less repetitive. What about you?



# Antonyms

An antonym is a word that means the opposite of another word.

- Draw lines to join the antonyms below. The first one has been done for you.

fearful	.....	confident
unsure	.....	boisterous
gentle	.....	indifferent
despise	.....	brave
conscientious	.....	adore

- Complete each sentence by adding an antonym for the underlined word.

I don't want a large piece — I want a ..... piece.

Don't be nasty to your sister — be ..... to her.

We're not allowed to talk loudly in here — we have to talk .....

- Write an antonym for each word on the line next to it.

Then use the antonym in a sentence.

expensive .....

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capture .....

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happily .....

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Grammagators love antonyms — they say opposites attract. Do you like them too? Tick a box on the right.

