



English



Self-Learning pack

Grade 11



Lesson 11-Synonyms

Competency 4 - Building up vocabulary using words appropriately and accurately to convey precise meaning

Competency level - 4.3 Finds synonyms and antonyms for given words.



SYNONYMS



What is a synonym?

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

Begin – Start	Big – Large	Happy – Glad	Little – Small
Sad – Unhappy / Mournful		Pretty – Lovely	Finish – End
Good – Excellent	Strong – Stable/Solid		Vacant – Empty

That is a big tree. We can say; That is a huge tree. That is a giant tree.

In the above sentences huge and giant are similar words for big. There can be one or more similar words or synonyms for a single word.

1. Can you write similar words for the following?

1. I got presents for my birthday. (.....)
2. Her granny is very weak now. (.....)
3. She was fortunate to win the game. (.....)
4. These villagers need our help. (.....)
5. The little baby creep under the car. (.....)



crawl
lucky
feeble
gifts
aid



2. Read the following dialogue and try to complete the grid.

a. Dialogue. At the police station.

Mrs. Smith : Excuse me, I've come for a complaint.

Police officer : Yes, take a seat please.

Mrs. Smith : Thank you.

Police officer : May I know your name please?

Mrs. Smith : I'm Mrs. Smith.

Police officer : So tell me your problem?

Mrs. Smith : When I was at my gate this morning,
a little boy came to me and ask a
name of a road.

Police officer : Then?

Mrs. Smith : When I turned to show the way he
pulled me and took my hand
bag and ran away.

Police officer : Can you explain more about the boy?

Mrs. Smith : Yes, he is a thin boy with a sorrowful
face. He was wearing a ragged shirt.

Police officer : Well, Is this your hand bag?

Mrs. Smith : Yes, but how did you get it? Can I have it?

Police officer : The boy was caught while he was running.
You need to describe the things in the bag.

Word	Synonym
matter	problem
small	l.....
skinny	t.....
sad	s.....
shabby	u.....
trapped	c.....
define	d.....
lane	r.....

b. Can you write synonyms for the underlined words?

1. The storm destroyed the fishing village completely.
2. If you eat fresh fruits these days you will boost your immunity.
3. The cause behind crop circles remains a mystery until today.
4. These crop circles are considered mysterious.

Read page 44 & 45 in your pupil's book and match the words with their meanings.

Word	Meaning	Check answers
1. Extinct	Roam freely	7
2. Global Warming	No longer existing or living	1
3. Endangered	risk	8
4. Poaching	Threatened with extinction.	3
5. Natural habitat	Massive	10
6. Declare	Killing or hunting wild animals illegally.	4
7. Wander	Going down	9



8. Danger	Natural environment of species. (living)	5
9. Decreased	Say something in a solemn and emphatic manner.	6
10. Largest	Rapid increase in Earth's average surface temperature due to greenhouse gasses.	2

c. Read the following passage and complete the given sentences. Use the underlined words to fill the gaps.

I got the first prize for the best painting in a school competition and the notice for it, was published in a magazine. I read the magazine regularly. Next month there's another painting competition for teenagers from all over the world. I hope I do well in that too. My teacher says I should become a painter but I'm not sure. I prefer looking at them. I like to draw natural beauty, flowers and designs. I hate painting human figures but I like to draw brave soldiers. I hope to do an exhibition one day.

1. The children in thirteen to nineteen are called
2. If you are, you can fight in the war front.
3. We all like to see the of our motherland.
4. I to go swimming during the Summer vacation.
5. Our school won the in the dancing competition of the zone.

Can you match the synonyms? Cross out the odd one.

<u>important</u>	significant	best	vital
<u>funny</u>	hilarious	comical	fun
<u>beautiful</u>	attractive	tiny	lovely
<u>honest</u>	proud	trustworthy	sincere
<u>Hard working</u>	industrious	diligent	tired
<u>Positive</u>	Optimistic	true	constructive



Use the following synonyms in your writings.

1. happy – content, joyful, mirthful, upbeat
2. intelligence – smart, bright, brilliant, sharp
3. outgoing – friendly, sociable, warm, extroverted
4. positive – optimistic, cheerful, constructive, sanguine
5. strong – stable, secure, solid, tough
6. weak – frail, infirm, puny, fragile, feeble
7. awful – terrible
8. about – approximately
9. mean – unfriendly, unpleasant, bad-tempered,
10. beautiful – attractive, pretty, lovely