

KS1 English Quiz - Synonyms 1 (Questions)

This enjoyable picture quiz on synonyms aims to expand the vocabulary, literacy and all-round English language skills of children in KS1. When reading, the National Curriculum would like children to extend their word bank and this quiz on synonyms is designed to aid that objective.

There are many words in the dictionary and often, we find ourselves using the same ones over and over again. To prevent this, you could use a thesaurus and look up synonyms. A synonym is a word that means the same thing, like the words 'rich' and 'wealthy'.

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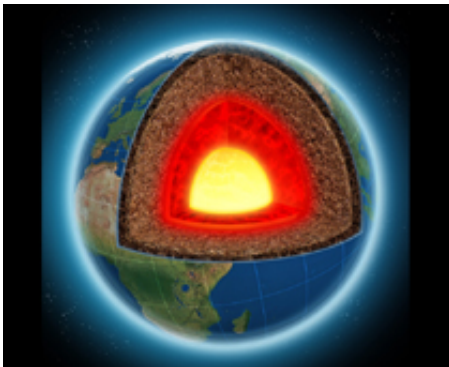
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- average
- kind

2. 'I must tread carefully.' What could we use instead of the word 'carefully'?



- dangerously
- slowly
- quickly
- cautiously

3. 'They went to the centre of the earth.' What could we use instead of the word 'centre'?



- outside
- edge
- middle
- corner

4. 'The test was very difficult.' What could we use instead of the word 'difficult'?



- fun
- easy
- hard
- enjoyable

5. 'The race was about to start.' What could we use instead of the word 'start'?



- begin
- end
- finish
- run

6. What is a synonym?



- Two words that sound the same.
- Words that mean different things.
- Words that have the same meaning.
- Words that end in 'ed'.

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- funny
- adorable
- gorgeous
- horrifying

8. 'Ants are very small.' What could we use instead of the word 'small'?



- large
- tiny
- precious
- loving

9. 'The whale was huge.' What could we use instead of the word 'huge'?



- enormous
- small
- tiny
- crazy

10. 'The haunted house was empty.' What could we use instead of the word 'empty'?



- full
- surprised
- overwhelmed
- vacant

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Imagine if we called Superman, Excellentman - that would be a bit harder to say.

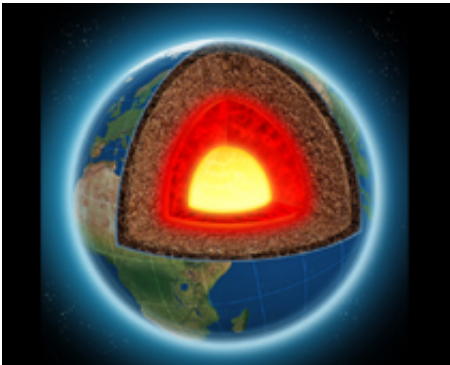
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The word cautious means careful.

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The centre of the earth is called the core.

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Hard and difficult both mean the same thing.

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A thesaurus is like a dictionary but instead of helping you understand what a word means, it gives you other words that mean the same thing.

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In some countries, people celebrate Halloween and dress up as ghosts.

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When looking for a synonym, you are looking for another word that is exactly or as close as possible to meaning the same thing.

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Some ants are as small as one to two millimetres long.

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The largest animal on earth is the blue whale.

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The word vacant means empty. When people look for jobs, they look for 'job vacancies'.