

KS3 English Quiz - Synonyms 04 (Questions)

The words "choice" and "option" mean very nearly the same thing, so they are synonyms of each other. You may want to ask your English teacher for a synonym of the word "synonym" and see what they come up with!

Reading the following paragraph will help you to appreciate at least one reason to expand your vocabulary by learning which words are synonyms:

Amusement parks are exciting! The roller coasters are especially exciting and the cousins were excited to be standing in the queue for the most exciting roller coaster of all on the first day the new amusement park opened. All the way there they had chattered excitedly about the different rides they wanted to try and which they would queue up for first. Everyone around them was as excited as they were....

Are you bored of that story yet? Could you bear to read the word "excited" even one more time? Words lose power when they are repeated so many times in close proximity.

Using synonyms instead helps writing to stay fresh. Synonyms for "excited" include "thrilled", "animated", "enthusiastic" and "eager". Replacing some of the words above with synonyms would encourage the audience to remain engaged rather than growing bored.

Here is our fourth synonym quiz to keep you in practice.

1. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Release

- Hold prisoner
- Imprison
- Restrain
- Set free

2. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Abbreviate

- Extend
- Lengthen
- Make longer
- Shorten

3. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Simultaneous

- At different times
- At the same time
- Not at once
- Separately

4. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Sole

- Crowd
- Gathering
- Group
- Single

5. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Smart

- Fashionable
- Inelegant
- Unkempt
- Untidy

6. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Soothe

- Anger
- Annoy
- Comfort
- Irritate

7. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Standstill

- Flow
- Movement
- Progression
- Stop

8. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Thorough

- Careless
- Complete
- Incomplete
- Partial

9. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Unflagging

- Ceasing
- Stopping
- Tireless
- Tiring

10. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Waver

- Adhere to
- Hold fast
- Stand firm
- Sway

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Words with similar meanings are synonyms

2. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

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- Extend
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- Make longer
- Shorten

Words with opposite meanings are antonyms

3. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Simultaneous

- At different times
- At the same time
- Not at once
- Separately

All antonyms used here are synonyms of each other!

4. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

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Learning synonyms builds your writing and speaking vocabulary

5. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

Smart

- Fashionable
- Inelegant
- Unkempt
- Untidy

The other three are synonyms of "not smart"!

6. See if you can find the synonym for the following word.

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More synonyms of "soothe" include "make calm" and "assuage"

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Vary your vocabulary: avoid overusing the same word

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Use "through", "though" and "thorough" correctly

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Unflagging

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The other three words are synonyms of "flagging"

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Try to learn, use and spell new words