

Using Synonyms



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Synonyms

A synonym is a word similar in meaning to another word. Writers often use a synonym to make a sentence more effective. For example:

After waiting for the bus for over an hour,
Mandi felt annoyed, frustrated and infuriated!

Why do you think the writer here eventually chose the word **infuriated**?

How is it different from annoyed or frustrated?



Synonyms List

We are going to practise creating a list of synonyms.
How many synonyms can you jot down for the word **sad**?

Here are some words that could have been used:

unhappy

upset

miserable

depressed

morose

gloomy

heart-broken



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We are going to practise using synonyms to improve a sentence.

For example:

Liam felt **scared** during the horror movie.

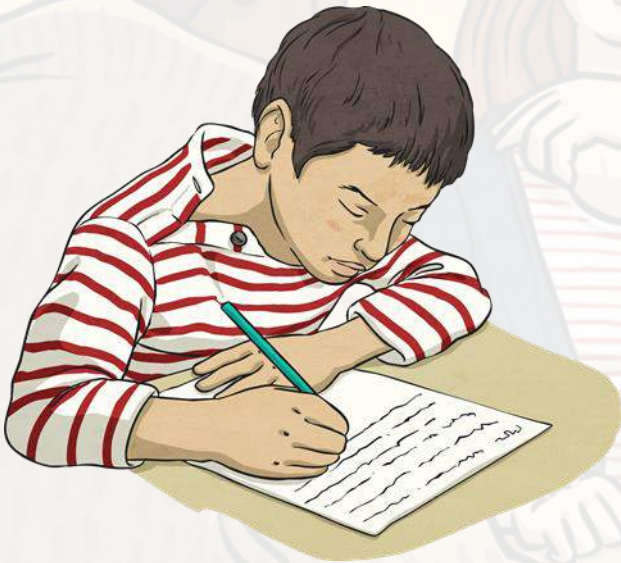
Write down synonyms for the word **scared** then rewrite the above sentence.

You could have written:

Liam felt **petrified** during the horror movie.

Liam felt **terrified** during the horror movie.

Liam felt **horrified** during the horror movie.



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Shamir **won** the race.

Write down synonyms for the word **won** then rewrite the above sentence.



Using Synonyms

Vascal was **worried** about the upcoming Maths test.

Jot down any synonyms of **worried** then rewrite the above sentence.



Discuss

Compare your synonyms with those of your partner.

Are they similar or different?

Can you think of any reasons why this might be?





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