

Synonyms and Antonyms

Synonyms

Synonyms are words that are similar or the same in meaning.

E.g **big** and **huge**
small and **petite**

You may choose the word based on the type of writing. For example, if the writing was formal, you may choose to use **request** rather than **ask**.

A thesaurus is incredibly useful for choosing synonyms and more appropriate word choices.



We can remember that synonyms mean the same as they both start with 's'!

Antonyms

Antonyms are words that mean the opposite of each other.

E.g **tall** and **short**
rough and **smooth**

Using antonyms can avoid repetition in your writing. Words can also be changed by adding or removing the prefix or the suffix.

E.g **happy** and **unhappy**
helpful and **helpless**