

Vocabulary

Teacher Use:

Vocabulary refers to the words that students must know in order to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing. Vocabulary knowledge is crucially important to reading, it supports both decoding and comprehension. In fact, first-grade students' vocabulary knowledge predicts reading achievement in high school (Cunningham & Stanovich, 1997)

"Antonym and Synonym Match Up" can be used to help students visualize and conceptualize different types of words. Use this tool to help students connect and organize information as they process the structure and meaning of words.

Antonym/synonym cards and word list are included in this resource.

This resource can be used in literacy stations, small group instruction, or for reading intervention.

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Directions:

To preserve the use of the activity, laminate cards.

Please note: Teachers can use "Antonym and Synonym Match Up" in multiple ways. Essentially this tool can be used as a fun and simple way to review antonyms and synonyms.

Once the teacher has explicitly taught antonyms and synonyms, students will need practice identifying vocabulary words that are the same and opposite. For each individual activity, find the match. Have students read the cards one at a time. As the students read the card, have them find either the synonym or antonym match to the word.

Please Note: This activity provides opportunities to increase a student's vocabulary bank and word consciousness. Use this tool to discuss some words in depth. For example, the teacher can discuss the function, purpose, or feature of the word. Additionally the teacher can consider asking the student to describe the word or discuss the denotation or connotation of the word.

Antonym List

joyful	angry	appear	disappear	perfect	imperfect
freezing	sweletering	present	absent	tight	loose
annoying	pleasent	lost	found	near	far
forgetful	mindful	gigantic	tiny	sick	well
peaceful	hectic	truth	false	several	few
filthy	clean	friend	enemy	above	below
mobile	stationary	dry	drenched	old	young

Antonym List

friendly	mean	attack	retreat	sweet	spicy
serious	silly	sharp	dull	exit	stay
hate	adore	delay	timely	wrong	accurate
quit	start	tired	alert	whole	part
difficult	easy	boring	fun	similar	different
increase	decrease	weak	powerful	maximize	minimize
forever	never	prideful	humble	flawed	perfect

joyful

angry

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sweltering

annoying

pleasant

forgetful

mindful

peaceful

hectic

filthy

clean

mobile

stationary

appear

disappear

present

absent

lost

found

gigantic

tiny

truth

false

friend

enemy

dry

drenched

perfect

imperfect

tight

loose

near

far

sick

well

several

few

above

below

old

young

friendly

mean

serious

silly

hate

adore

quit

start

difficult

easy

increase

decrease

forever

never

attack

retreat

sharp

dull

last

first

delay

timely

authentic

fake

tired

alert

boring

fun

weak

powerful

prideful

humble

sweet

spicy

exit

stay

wrong

accurate

whole

part

similar

different

maximize

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similar

different

flawed

perfect

Synonym List

strange	odd	encourage	support	expire	spoil
shut	close	mask	cover	delicious	tasty
leap	jump	funny	humorous	forward	ahead
reply	answer	garbage	trash	forgive	pardon
raise	lift	speak	talk	drastic	extreme
present	gift	evil	bad	help	assist
abundant	plentiful	rest	relax	fair	honest

Synonym List

humiliate	embarrass	thin	skinny	shy	bashful
joke	tease	agree	accept	respect	honor
convince	persuade	postpone	delay	look	glance
empty	deplete	mistake	error	clever	smart
important	meaningful	blend	mix	take	seize
experienced	novice	pair	duo	terrify	frighten
easy	simple	brave	heroic	carry	lug

strange

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embarrass

joke

tease

convince

persuade

empty

deplete

important

meaningful

experienced

novice

easy

simple

thin

skinny

agree

accept

postpone

delay

mistake

error

blend

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