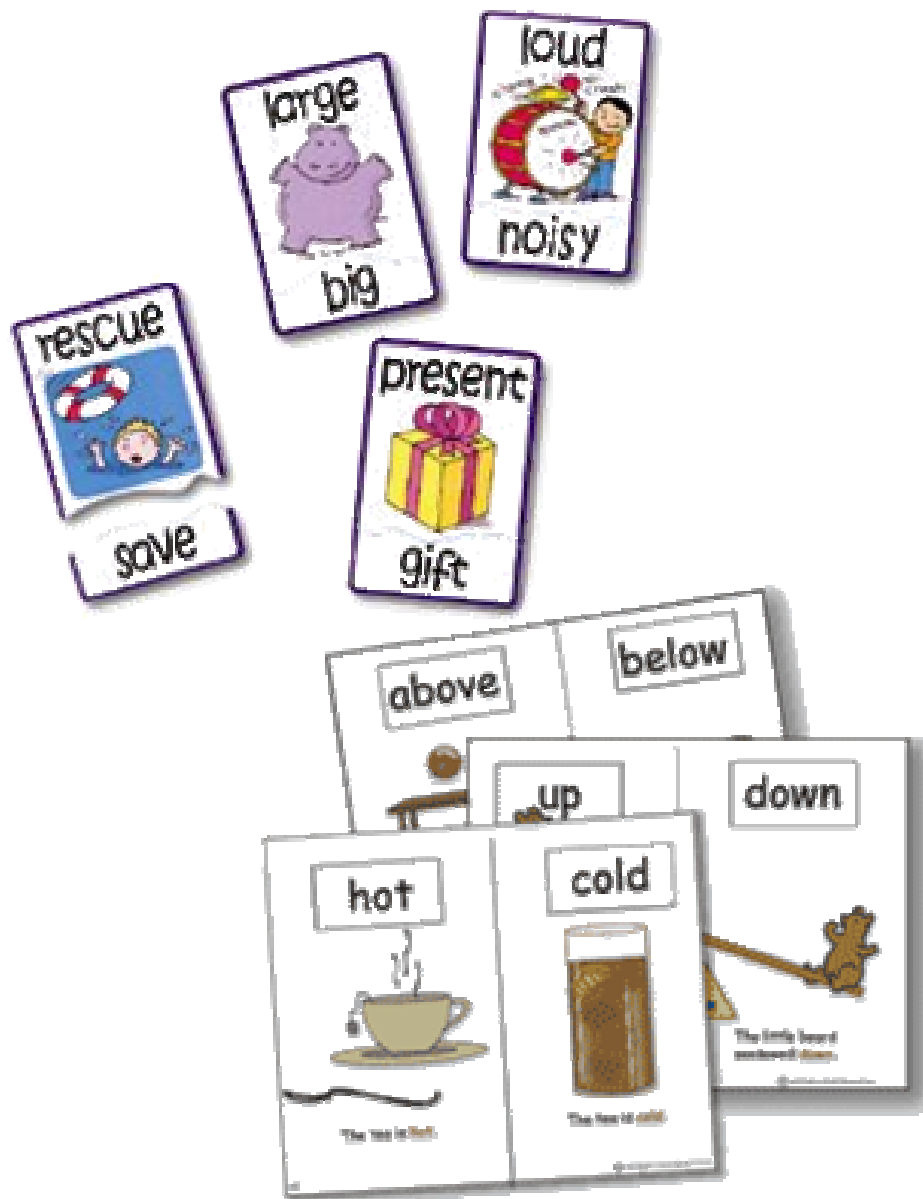


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Module 21

# English

## Using Synonyms and Antonyms





## To the Learner

How are you today?

Today we are going to have fun with words.



## Let's Learn This

In this module we will learn some new words, words with the same meaning and words with different meanings.



## Let's Try This

- A. Give the antonym of each underlined word to complete the sentence. Choose from the box. Write your answer in your notebook.

open  
difficult

fast  
noisy  
full

young  
poor  
new

correct  
wide

1. Nena's hair is long; Fe's hair is \_\_\_\_\_.
2. The test in Filipino is easy; the test in Math is \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Carabaos walk slow; horses walk \_\_\_\_\_.
4. The girls are quiet but the boys are \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The bridge is narrow; the street is \_\_\_\_\_.
6. His answer is wrong; mine is \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The glass is empty, but the cup is \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Mr. Cruz is rich but Mr. Santos is \_\_\_\_\_.
9. My grandfather is old; my father is \_\_\_\_\_.
10. The door is closed but the windows are \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Choose the synonym of the underlined word from the words inside the parenthesis. Write your answer in your notebook.

1. The Filipino soldiers bravely fought their enemies.  
(courageously, strongly, slowly)
2. Their enemies were prevented from entering their camp.  
(stopped, allowed, ordered)
3. They were given honors by their generals. (money, awards, houses)
4. The soldiers were excited to receive the awards. (unhappy, ashamed, eager)
5. There was a large crowd during the award ceremony.  
(group, company, officers)

How did you find the test?

Are your answers the same with the following?

- A.
- |              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| 1. short     | 6. correct |
| 2. difficult | 7. full    |
| 3. fast      | 8. poor    |
| 4. noisy     | 9. young   |
| 5. wide      | 10. open   |

- B.
1. courageously
  2. stopped
  3. awards
  4. eager
  5. group

Don't worry if you did not get all the correct answers. This module will help you learn about synonyms and antonyms.



## Let's Study This

Read the paragraph about soap and find out what it does to us.

Soap plays an important part in our lives in many ways. It keeps us clean and free from diseases. When we wash our hands and body with soap, the dirt and other germs are washed away. Many diseases caused by germs can be prevented with the use of soap.

Answer the questions.

1. What keeps us clean and free from diseases?

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2. When are the dirt and other germs from our body washed away?

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3. Can you give other uses of soap?

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4. Why do you think it is proper to wash our hands before and after eating?

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Here are some words and sentences taken from the paragraphs.

- A. Soap keeps our body clean.  
Soap keeps our body fresh.  
Soap keeps our body pure.

Do clean, fresh, and pure have the same meaning?  
The words clean, fresh and pure have the same meanings as used in the sentence.

Here are common words you often used that have the same meaning.

beautiful – pretty  
collect – gather  
big – large

bright – intelligent  
finish – stop  
allow – permit

What do you call the words that have the same meaning?

Words that have the same meaning are called synonyms.

There are also words that do not have the same meaning.  
These words are called antonyms.

Read these sentences.

My hands are clean but my feet are dirty.  
My bag is big but her bag is small.

The words clean and dirty as used in the sentence have opposite meanings.

Big and small have opposite meanings.

What do you call the words that have opposite meanings?  
Words that have opposite meanings are called antonyms.

Here are other words that have opposite meanings.

easy – hard, difficult  
slow – fast  
quiet – noisy  
narrow – wide  
long – short

empty – full  
rich – poor  
old – young, new  
closed – open  
wrong – correct

Are you now ready to do the next activity?



## Let's Do This

- A. Complete the words below. They are the synonyms of the given words.

1. allow

P \_ r m \_ \_

2. small

t \_ n \_

3. wealthy

\_ i \_ h

4. final

e \_ d

5. donate

g \_ v \_

6. success

t \_ i u \_ p h

7. ill

\_ i \_ k

8. keep

h \_ d \_

9. soon

q \_ i \_ k

10. erase

r \_ m \_ v \_

- B. Give the antonyms of the underlined words in the following sentences. Choose your answer from the list below. Write your answer in your notebook.

fake  
sour  
light

tight  
smooth  
low  
expensive

strange  
arrived  
lazy

1. The ant is an industrious insect; the grasshopper is a \_\_\_\_\_ one.
2. The school building is high; the house is \_\_\_\_\_.
3. My mother's necklace looks genuine but actually it is \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Guavas are cheap but mangoes are \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Mangoes are sweet but oranges are \_\_\_\_\_.
6. The bus departed when we \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Stone is heavy but cotton is \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Baguio City is a familiar place; Surigao is \_\_\_\_\_ to me.
9. The road to the barangay hall is rough; the road to the city is \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Mother's dress is loose; my dress is \_\_\_\_\_.

Finished?

Check your answers against the Answer Key.  
What's your score?



## Let's Do More

- A. Give the synonym for each underlined word in the paragraph. Choose your answer from the list below. Write your answer in your notebook.

neatness	needs
main	everyday
plentiful	

*Water, which is one of the most abundant natural resources, is also one of the prime necessities of life. We make use of it for the maintenance of health. We need to drink water daily for it is the main solvent of minerals inside our bodies. We also need water for cleanliness.*

- B. Give the antonyms of the underlined words in the paragraph. Choose your answer from the words inside the box.

bad	above
below	unclean
talks	

Nature is all around us. It is in the fresh air we breathe, in the green grass spread under<sup>2</sup> our foot, and in the blue sky above<sup>3</sup>. It is in the flowers that bloom today and die tomorrow. Nature speaks<sup>4</sup> to us through the rain and in the sunshine. It tells us that it is good<sup>5</sup> to be alive.





## Let's Remember This

What are synonyms?

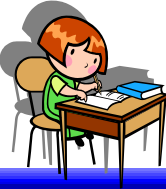
What are antonyms?

Antonyms are words that have opposite meanings.

Examples: old - new; narrow - wide

Synonyms are words that have the same meaning.

Examples: famous - popular; happy - glad



## Let's Test Ourselves

A. Give the antonym for each row of synonyms.

Example: cheerful, gloomy, merry, jolly,

Answer : gloomy

1. brave, fearless, bold, coward, daring

2. enough, scarce, sufficient, plenty, abundant

3. follower, head, leader, chief, captain

4. great, big, huge, large, tiny

5. cruel, brutal, inhuman, kind, savage

B. Copy the word inside the parenthesis that best fits the meaning of the sentence.

1. (huge – large) There was a \_\_\_\_\_ crowd during the Independence Day parade.
2. (street – road) Mr. Cruz lives in San Juan \_\_\_\_\_.
3. (tiny – small) The \_\_\_\_\_ girl sits in front.
4. (warm – hot) The baby wears thick clothes to keep her body \_\_\_\_\_.
5. (icy – cool) The climate is \_\_\_\_\_ during the rainy season.
6. (build – construct) The ants \_\_\_\_\_ their anthill near the mango tree.
7. (need – want) I \_\_\_\_\_ one can of milk for the salad.
8. (great – famous) Banaue Rice Terraces is one of the \_\_\_\_\_ tourist spots in our country.
9. (collect – gather) The Grade IV pupils \_\_\_\_\_ pictures of different kinds of birds.
10. (finish – stop) The pupils \_\_\_\_\_ the test early.

Finished?

Look at the Answer Key again.

What's your score?

If you get 8,9 and 10, great job!

Here's a big smile for you.

If you get 1 to 7, do the next activity.





## Let's Enrich Ourselves

List the underlined words in the paragraph and give their synonyms and antonyms to complete the table. Choose from the words inside the box.

Students can be community helpers too. They can make their surroundings clean<sup>1</sup>. They can plant beautiful<sup>2</sup> flowers inside their backyard. They can also plant tall trees<sup>3</sup> in their vacant lots. They can dispose<sup>3</sup> their garbage properly. Clean surroundings keep people from being ill<sup>4</sup>.

sick	neat	keep	pretty
ugly	throw	dirty	healthy

Underlined Words	Synonyms	Antonyms
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		



## Answer Key

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### Let's Try This

- A.
1. permit
  2. tiny
  3. rich
  4. end
  5. give
  6. triumph
  7. sick
  8. hide
  9. quick
  10. remove

- B.
1. lazy
  2. low
  3. fake
  4. expensive
  5. sour
  6. arrived
  7. light
  8. strange
  9. smooth
  10. tight

### Let's Do More

- A.
1. plentiful
  2. main
  3. needs
  4. everyday
  5. neatness
- B.
1. unclean
  2. above
  3. below
  4. talks
  5. bad

### Let's Test Ourselves

- A.
1. coward
  2. scarce
  3. follower
  4. tiny
  5. kind
- B.
1. large
  2. street
  3. small
  4. warm
  5. cool
  6. build
  7. need
  8. famous
  9. collect
  10. finish

### Let's Enrich Ourselves

- | Synonym   | Antonyms   |
|-----------|------------|
| 1. neat   | 1. dirty   |
| 2. pretty | 2. ugly    |
| 3. throw  | 3. keep    |
| 4. sick   | 4. healthy |