

English Word Bank

Class IV Term I

Synonyms

A synonym is a word that means the same as the given word.

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| 1. adapt- adjust | 26.large- big, enormous, huge |
| 2. anger — enrage, infuriate | 27.little — tiny, small, minute |
| 3. alike- same | 28.make — create, originate |
| 4. annual- yearly | 29.move — plod, go |
| 5. bright — shining, gleaming, | 30.end — stop, finish, terminate |
| 6. big — enormous, huge | 31.clever- smart |
| 7. barren – desolate | 32.carpet- rug |
| 8. bucket- pail | 33.beautiful — pretty, lovely |
| 9. brave — courageous, fearless | 34. fly — soar |
| 10.certain-sure | 35.hurry — rush, run |
| 11.careful-cautious | 36.important — necessary, vital |
| 12.cry — shout, yell, weep | 37.keep — hold |
| 13.dark — shadowy, gloomy | 38.mark — label |
| 14.disclose - announce | 39.fall — drop, descend |
| 15.difference — disagreement, inequity | 40.couch- sofa |
| 16.eager — keen, enthusiastic | 41.come — approach, advance |
| 17.exit- leave | 42.cool — chilly, frosty |
| 18.false — fake, fraudulent | 43.ask– question, inquire of |
| 19.fast — quick, rapid, speedy | 44.busy- engaged |
| 20.go — recede, depart, fade | 45.close- shut |
| 21.great — noteworthy, worthy, distinguished | 46.conceal- hide |
| 22.happy — pleased, contented | 47.cease- stop |
| 23.help — aid, assist | 48.delight – joy |
| 24.idea — thought, concept | 49.garbage- trash |
| 25.jest- joke | 50.gift- present |

Antonyms

An antonym is a word that means the opposite of the given word.

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| 1- absent – present | 26-even – odd |
| 2- admit – deny | 27-export – import |
| 3- alive – dead | 28-fade – brighten |
| 4- ally – enemy | 29-fast – slow |
| 5- apart - together | 30-foolish – wise |
| 6- arrive – depart | 31-fresh – stale |
| 7- ascend – descend | 32-giant - tiny, small, dwarf |
| 8- backward – forward | 33-gloomy – cheerful |
| 9- boundless – limited | 34-grow – shrink |
| 10- bent – straight | 35-harmful – harmless |
| 11- boring - interesting | 36-humble – proud |
| 12- bless – curse | 37-courageous – coward |
| 13- brave – cowardly | 38-increase – decrease |
| 14- build – destroy | 39-internal – external |
| 15- bright - dim, dull | 40-just – unjust |
| 16- captive – free | 41-lawful - unlawful, illegal |
| 17- clear - cloudy, opaque | 42-lengthen – shorten |
| 18- common – rare | 43-light - dark, heavy |
| 19- correct - incorrect, wrong | 44-loud – quiet |
| 20- create – destroy | 45-low – high |
| 21- deep – shallow | 46-misunderstand – understand |
| 22- diseased – healthy | 47-merry – sad |
| 23- despair – hope | 48-messy – neat |
| 24- dusk – dawn | 49-minority – majority |
| 25- encourage – discourage | 50-miser - spendthrift |

Compound Words

A compound word is formed by joining two words.

1. any - anything, anywhere
2. bath – bathrobe, bathtub
3. book- bookcase, booklet, bookshelf, bookworm
4. door- doorbell, doormat, doorstep, doorstop, doorway
5. head- headache, headlight, headmaster, headmistress
6. worthy- praiseworthy, newsworthy. noteworthy

7. moon- moonbeam, moonlight
8. corn- cornfield, cornstalk
9. after- afterbirth ,afterburner, aftermath
- 10.bull- bulldog , bulldozer ,bullfrog
- 11.base – baseball, baseboard
- 12.bed- bedridden ,bedrock ,bedspread ,bedtime
- 13.black- blacklist ,blackmail ,blacktop
- 14.clap- clapboard ,claptrap
- 15.cotton- cottonmouth ,cottontail ,cottonwood
- 16.crack- crackdown ,crackerjack, crackpot
- 17.dead- deadbeat ,deadline ,deadlock
- 18.every- everybody, everyday
- 19.grand –grandfather, grandmother, grandstand
- 20.camp- campfire, campground
- 21.land- landlady, landlord
- 22.finger - fingernail, fingerprint, fingertip
- 23.eye-eyeball, eyebrow, eyeglasses, eyesight
- 24.fire- fire-alarm, fireplace, fireproof, fireworks
- 25.air - airbrush ,aircraft, airfield ,airliner, airman, airport ,airship

Words Often Confused

There are some words that sound almost alike or look alike but have different meanings/spellings and should be used with care.

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| 1- affect effect | to influence (verb); emotional response (noun) result (noun); to cause (verb) |
| 2- already all ready | by this time fully prepared |
| 3- angel angle | supernatural being, good person shape made by joining 2 straight lines |
| 4- are our | plural form of "to be" plural form of "my" |
| 5- allusion illusion | indirect reference false idea, misleading appearance |
| 6- heard herd | past tense of "to hear" group of animals |

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| 7- lightning lightening | storm-related electricity making lighter |
| 8-dessert desert | final, sweet course in a meal to abandon; dry, sandy area |
| 9- everyday every day | routine, commonplace, ordinary (adj.) each day, succession (adj. + noun) |
| 10-its it's | possessive form of "it" contraction for "it is" |
| 11-loose lose | unbound, not tightly fastened to misplace |
| 12-dairy diary | place where milk products are processed personal journal |
| 13- clothes cloths | garments pieces of fabric |
| 14- a lot allot | a quantity; many of something to divide or portion out |
| 15- altar alter | sacred platform or place to change |
| 16- capital capitol | major city government building |
| 17- ant aunt | picnic pest relative, as in your mom's sister |
| 18- corps corpse | regulated group dead body |
| 19- device devise | a plan; a tool or utensil to create |
| 20- buy by | to purchase next to; through the agency of |

Idioms

An idiom is a phrase/expression which has a meaning which is different from the meanings of the words that make it up.

1. **Add fuel to the fire:** whenever something is done to make a bad situation even worse than it already is.
2. **Apple of my eye:** someone who is cherished above all others.
3. **Curiosity killed the cat:** being inquisitive can lead you into a dangerous situation.
4. **Flea market:** a place where people gather to buy and sell inexpensive goods.
5. **Keep an eye on him:** you should carefully watch him.
6. **Lend me your ear:** to politely ask for someone's full attention.
7. **It takes two to tango:** a conflict between two persons where both people are at fault.
8. **Gut feeling:** a feeling that tells you something is going to happen.
9. **Blood is thicker than water:** the family bond is closer than anything else.
10. **Last but not least:** an introduction phrase to let the audience know that the last person mentioned is no less important than those introduced before him/her.

Phrasal Verbs

Phrasal verb is a verb that consists of a main verb plus an adverb.

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| 1- allow for | to take into consideration |
| 2- bring up | to raise (a child) |
| 3- call off | to cancel |
| 4- find out | to discover or obtain information |
| 5- focus on | to concentrate on something |
| 6- get in | to enter |
| 7- get out of | to avoid doing |
| 8- look after | to take care of |
| 9- make up | to invent (excuse, story) |
| 10- move in | to arrive in a new home or office |

Proverbs

Proverbs are the fixed sentences that give advice or say something that is generally true.

1. **The pen is mightier than the sword** - trying to convince people with ideas and words is more effective than trying to force people to do what you want.
2. **Birds of a feather flock together**- people like to spend time with others who are similar to them.
3. **A picture is worth a thousand words**- pictures convey emotions and messages better than written or spoken explanations.
4. **God helps those who help themselves**- don't just wait for good things to happen to you. Work hard to achieve your goals.
5. **Cleanliness is next to godliness**- be clean. God likes that.
6. **Easy come, easy go**- when you get money quickly, like by winning it, it's easy to spend it or lose it quickly as well.
7. **Beggars can't be choosers**-if you're asking for a favour from someone else, you have to take whatever they give you.
8. **Practice makes perfect**- you have to practice a skill a lot to become good at it.
9. **One man's trash is another man's treasure**- different people have different ideas about what's valuable.
10. **Actions speak louder than words**- just saying that you'll do something doesn't mean much. Actually doing it is harder and more meaningful.

Prefix

A prefix is a meaningful unit of letters attached to the beginning of a word.

1. **anti-** antifreeze, antilock, antioxidant, antipersonnel, antiseptic
2. **in-, im-, il-, ir-** injustice, impossible, irregular, inadvisable, impatient , illegal, illegible, irrelevant, irreparable
3. **dis-** disagree, disbelief, disassemble, disassociate, disbelief
4. **mis-** misfire, misreport, misrule, misprint, misplay, misfit
5. **pre-** prefix, prearranged, pre-book, precaution, precooked
6. **semi-** semicircle, semicolon, semi-final, semi-skilled
7. **un-** unfriendly, unkind, unwind, untouched, unwell
8. **fore-** forecast, foresee, foresight, forerunner
9. **inter-** interact, interactive, interchange, intercom, interconnect
10. **mid-** midway, midair, midbrain, midnight, midweek

Suffix

A suffix is a meaningful unit of letters attached to the end of a word.

1. **-able, -ible** comfortable, usable, capable, comfortable, noticeable
2. **-en** wooden, widen, tighten
3. **-er**, worker, actor, plumber, New Yorker, runner
4. **-ful** careful, truthful, useful
5. **-ing-** running, cooking, dancing (present participle)
6. **-ity, -ty** –infinity, unity, diversity
7. **-less** –fearless, heartless, homeless, hatless
8. **-ment** -enjoyment, entrenchment, argument, statement, agreement
9. **-ness** kindness, happiness, boldness, freshness, politeness, liveliness
10. **-s, -es** books, boxes, cooks, ladies, foxes

Homophones

Homophones are words that sound the same but are often spelt differently and have different meanings.

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| 1- aid – to help or assist aide - assistant | 13- eye – sight organ i- me |
| 2- allowed - permitted aloud – with relatively loud volume | 14- fair - equal fare - price |
| 3- ate – chewed up and swallowed eight – number after seven | 15- fairy – elflike creature with wings ferry - boat |
| 4- berry – fruit from a bush bury – to put underground | 16- flew – did fly flu – illness |
| 5- beat - to pound beet – type of edible plant | 17- flour – powdery, ground up grain flower – blooming plant |
| 6- brake – stop pedal break – smash | 18- gorilla – big ape guerrilla - warrior |
| 7- brows – eyebrow browse – look around | 19- hair – head covering hare – rabbit-like animal |
| 8- chile – country in <u>south america</u> chili – bean stew chilly – frosty | 20- halve – cut in two parts have - possess |
| 9- complement – enhance; go together compliment – praise | 21- hi - hello high – up far |
| 10- council - committee counsel - guidance | 22- hour – sixty minutes our – belonging to us |
| 11- dear - darling deer – woodland animal | 23- knight – feudal horseman night - evening |
| 12- dew – morning mist do - operate due - payable | 24- knot – tied rope not - negative |
| | 25- made – did make maid – servant |

Homonyms

Homonym is a word with more than one meaning.

1- well

- i) proper manner
- ii) a hole sunk into the ground as a source of liquid

2- right

- i) correct
- ii) angle or direction

3- bank

- i) side of a river or a lake
- ii) a place where we deposit or borrow money from

4- fine

- i) alright/ good
- ii) a fee or punishment for breaking rules

5- row

- i) a line of objects
- ii) to move a boat using oars

6- box

- i) a blow with a fist
- ii) a space or case

7- spring

- i) a season
- ii) to start or rise suddenly

8- order

- i) arrangement
- ii) command

9- nail

- i) the thin horny part of a finger
- ii) shaped metal to join wood etc.

10- light

- i) not heavy
- ii) a flame or sunlight

11- crow

- i) a black coloured bird
- ii) make a loud cry like a cock

12- better

- i) one who bets
- ii) superior or excellent

13- ray

- i) a beam of light
- ii) type of marine fish

14- desert

- i) to leave
- ii) barren place

15- lean

- i) to incline
- ii) thin

16 - address

- i) direction for delivery
- ii) place of residence

17-chime

- i) sound of bells
- ii) edge of a tub

18-ball

- i) a spherical body, globe
- ii) social assembly for dancing

19- arm

- i) a weapon
- ii) upper limb of the human body

20- bass

- i) type of fish
- ii) stringed instrument

21-bounder

- i) one who bounds or jumps
- ii) an unsatisfactory person

22- pocket

- i) a pouch in the clothing
- ii) part of an area or colony

23- hind

- i) the back part of something
- ii) female of a deer

24- fair-

- i) correct or equal behaviour
- ii) a market for selling cattle, vegetables etc.

25-plain

- i) simple
- ii) large, flat piece of land

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