

# SYNONYMS AND ANTONYMS

**Synonyms** are words that mean the same (or nearly the same) as each other.

**Antonyms** are words that mean the opposite of each other.

Hints and Tips

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## Synonyms

words that have the same meaning



## Antonyms

Words that have opposite meanings



In your writing, make sure that synonyms and antonyms that you use have the right meaning. For example:

### Synonyms

a **nice** person

a **friendly** person

a **kind** person

a **thoughtful** person

### Antonyms

an **unfriendly** person

an **unkind** person

a **thoughtless** person

**nice** weather

**settled** weather

**warm** weather

**unsettled** weather

**cool** weather

Make sure that the synonym or antonym fits the style of writing. For example, some writing is more formal than others:

The cake was **delicious** (formal in a piece of school work).  
The cake was **yummy** (informal in a diary entry).