

Synonyms



What are synonyms?

Synonyms are different words that mean the same thing or mean similar things.

For example:

- giggle and chuckle
- miserable and unhappy

Task 1

For each sentence, replace each underlined word with a suitable synonym.

1. My skipping rope got entangled with my friend's, so we both had to stop to rectify the situation.

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

2. Ruby was furious when she discovered that her brother and sister had been in her room and left it in a mess.

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

3. The man roared, "Stop!" when he noticed his little boy was about to run across the road to meet him.

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

4. I was surprised but delighted when the teacher announced that I had won the art competition.

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

5. Ben hesitated before he pressed the button, unsure what was about to happen.

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

6. Blue whales are huge mammals, though interestingly they eat tiny creatures called krill.

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

7. Fiona was anxious about boarding an aeroplane for the first time; she clung to her mum's arm as the aircraft ascended.

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____



8. The young dog was very energetic and always pulled at the lead.

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

Task 2

Find synonyms of the list words in the word search. Write down the synonyms you found beside each word.



n	p	f	x	s	q	u	i	r	m	b	l	q	h	p
d	w	e	e	p	c	v	d	a	o	c	y	t	j	w
k	i	o	i	y	p	i	x	a	s	o	t	r	w	f
s	h	f	u	a	n	v	d	m	z	l	z	s	s	q
g	d	o	f	c	y	k	a	u	o	l	p	p	v	j
k	s	f	q	i	h	m	v	r	r	i	s	r	t	u
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q	l	a	y	n	i	u	e	u	x	e	k	n	a	k
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v	o	c	t	l	k	a	a	l	k	u	p	d	f	k
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a	p	a	z	t	s	v	i	t	k	d	r	t	a	f
y	s	w	d	y	m	a	n	n	e	r	l	y	i	n
v	g	l	k	u	y	t	p	b	r	o	q	x	d	g

challenging _____	jump _____	scribble _____
crash _____	mutter _____	sob _____
frightened _____	polite _____	summit _____
happy _____	ran _____	wiggle _____

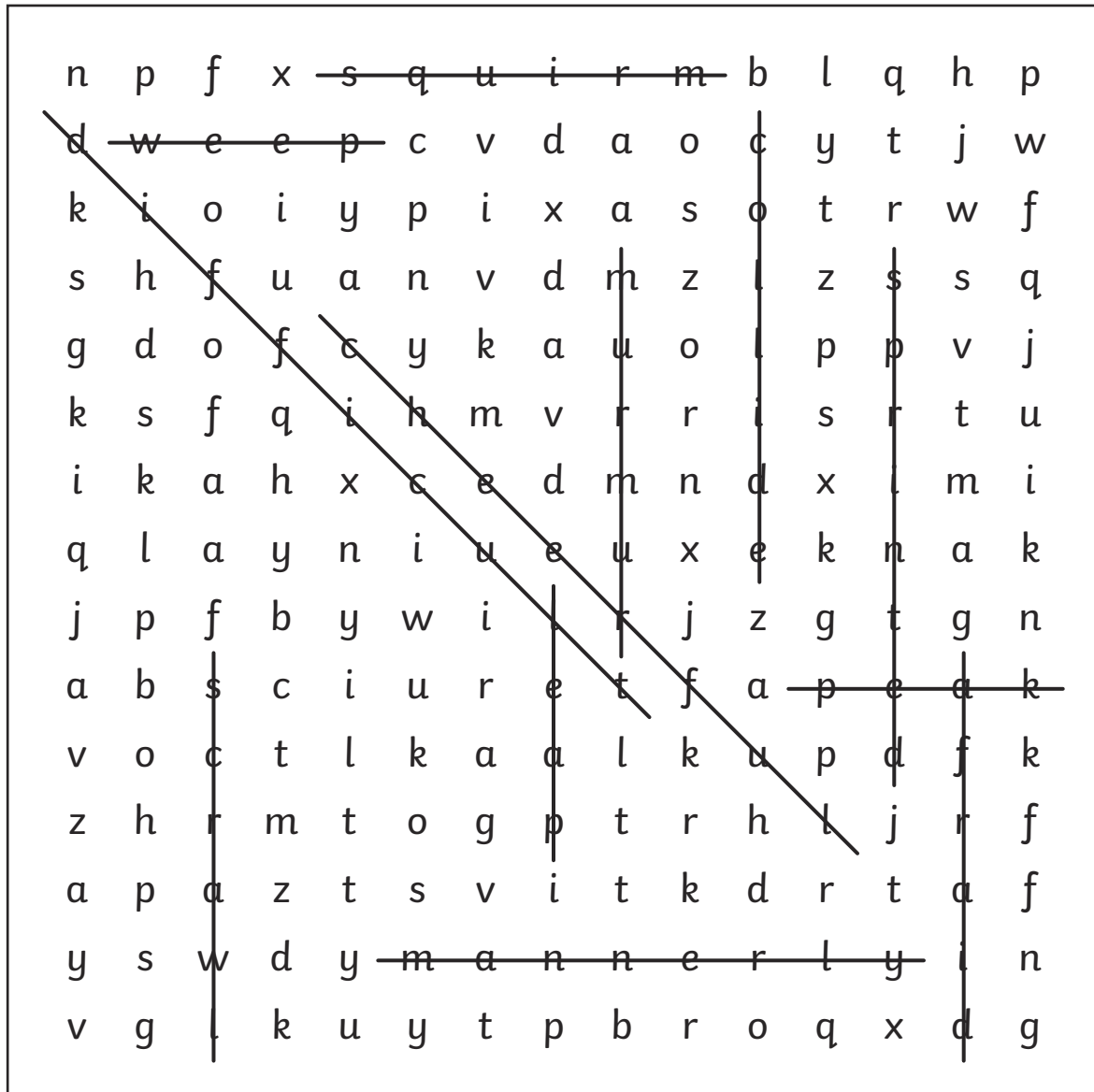
Synonyms Answers



Task 1

Multiple answers are possible – check if pupils have chosen suitable synonyms

Task 2



challenging **difficult**

happy **cheerful**

polite **mannerly**

sob **weep**

crash **collide**

jump **leap**

ran **sprinted**

summit **peak**

frightened **afraid**

mutter **murmur**

scribble **scrawl**

wiggle **squirm**