



# What's a thesaurus?

A thesaurus is a bit like a dictionary only it doesn't give you the meaning of a word. Instead it gives you alternative words to use.

## Examples

I feel **happy** today.



- Look up **happy** in a thesaurus.
- It will list words with the same or nearly the same meaning.
- These include: joyful, cheerful, delighted and cheery.
- You might decide to use the word **cheerful**.

I feel **cheerful** today.



The **parcel** was **covered** in brown paper.

- Other words for **parcel** include packet, carton, box and package.
- Other words for **covered** include enclosed, draped and wrapped.
- You might decide to re-write the sentence like this.

The **package** was **wrapped** in brown paper.

**Now complete the worksheet.**

# Using a Thesaurus

Replace one word in each sentence with another word from your thesaurus.

Write out the sentence again using the new word.

1. I am trying to grow my hair.

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2. The reason she went to the doctor was her sore throat.

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3. The man ran fast to get away from the dogs.

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4. She could not afford to pay the train fare.

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5. Her favourite flower is a rose.

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