

Synonyms and antonyms

Synonyms mean the same or nearly the same. Antonyms mean the opposite.

THE RULE

- **Synonyms:** huge and enormous, shout and yell
- **Antonyms:** calm and stormy, rough and smooth

SYNONYM the big waves, the **gigantic** waves

ANTONYM a calm sea, a **stormy** sea



① Circle S if the words are synonyms or A if they are antonyms. _____

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| 1. calm · stormy | ☐ S ☐ A | 2. huge · enormous | ☐ S ☐ A |
| 3. soaked · drenched | ☐ S ☐ A | 4. ancient · modern | ☐ S ☐ A |
| 5. shout · yell | ☐ S ☐ A | 6. rough · smooth | ☐ S ☐ A |

② Replace the underlined word with a synonym or antonym from the bank. _____

WORD BANK

frightened

dim

gigantic

ended

rapidly

dry

- The big waves crashed on the rocks. (synonym) _____
- The lighthouse had a bright light. (antonym) _____
- The gulls flew quickly away. (synonym) _____
- My jacket was wet after the walk. (antonym) _____
- My brother was scared of the thunder. (synonym) _____
- The storm began at noon. (antonym) _____

③ Write a sentence about the storm. Then write it again with a synonym for one word. _____