

Wednesday 17th June, year 3, synonyms

A synonym is a word or phrase that means the same (or very nearly the same) as another word or phrase. Words that are synonyms are described as synonymous.

Task 1: use the **adjectives** you have thought of and have a look in a thesaurus or just type: '*synonym for your adjective*' online to find some other words that are similar.

For example: *Rocks could be described as tall.*

When I looked in my thesaurus (a book that gives you alternative words), I found some more alternative words (synonyms) that I could use to describe the rocks.

The rocks could also be described as: *towering, soaring, giant, colossal*

Remember to make sure the new words make sense.

For example, the thesaurus also said another word for **tall** is **lanky**. **Lanky** cannot be used to describe the rocks because **lanky** is only used to describe someone or some creature that is very thin and has long legs!

Now use some of your best adjectives to fill in the gaps to describe the setting. Read your sentence out loud. Does it work? Does it sound right?

The _____ rocks stood and stared down on the _____ canyon.

The _____ rocks steamed above the _____ valley.

Task 2: Now try using 2 adjectives with a **comma** to describe the nouns – make sure both adjectives work, and they are not just saying the same thing!

The _____, _____ iceberg shimmered in the _____ lake.

I stared towards the _____, _____ crater across rocks carpeted in _____ moss .

Task 3: Write your own sentences to describe the setting using your best adjectives. Remember to read your sentence out loud first. Also use a capital letter, a full stop and, if you use 2 adjectives, remember the comma!
