

Thesaurus Power Worksheet

A *thesaurus* is a reference book that contains lists of synonyms and antonyms.

road (n): an open way for people or vehicles upon which to travel. *This road leads straight into downtown.*

SYNONYMS:

alley: a narrow road behind or between buildings. *This back door leads to a dark alley.*

boulevard: a wide, main road, often lined with trees or separated with a grassy median strip. *The boulevard is decorated for the Fourth of July parade.*

highway: a main road between cities. *Take this highway five miles south, and you will end up in Charleston.*

street: a local road in a village or town, usually lined with sidewalks and houses. *Police headquarters is on the same street as the fire station.*

trail: a narrow dirt or gravel trail through woods or unsettled regions. *Pioneer families took this trail west to the prairie lands.*

turnpike: a public highway in which a toll is paid by travelers. *The next exit off the turnpike is twenty-four miles away.*

ANTONYMS: blockade, cul-de-sac, dead end, detour.

Exercise A

Use the thesaurus entry above to answer the following questions.

1. What is the entry word above?

2. What part of speech is the entry and its synonyms?

3. Write the sample sentence for the entry word.

4. List all the synonyms.

5. List two more synonyms for this entry.

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Exercise B

Complete each sentence with a different synonym for *road*. Write the sentence.

1. This _____ through the woods is too muddy to hike.
2. We stored a trash dumpster in the back _____.
3. The speed limit on one _____ is 70 miles per hour.
4. Memorial _____ was decorated with flags on every pole.
5. A new side _____ opened for two-way traffic.

Exercise C

Find the word *teach* in a thesaurus. Replace the word *teach* in the sentences below with a different synonym. Write each new sentence.

1. I can teach your dog to sit and stay.

2. My dad might teach soccer this fall.

3. College students have volunteered to help teach youngsters on the weekends.

4. Teach how this machine works.

5. A nurse can teach the class in first aid and CPR.

Answer Key *(cont.)*

Exercise B

The correct sentence sequence is: 4, 6, 2, 1, 7, 5, 3.

Writing Directions

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Exercise A

1. Turn right at the next stoplight.
2. The arrow is pointing up.
3. Hiram Village is north from here.
4. Take the elevator down to the parking garage.
5. This store has plenty of parking in front.

Exercise B

Answers will vary.

The Cause-and-Effect Paragraph

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Exercise A

Answers will vary.

Exercise B

Answers will vary.

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1. c
2. c
3. Answers will vary.

The Contrast Paragraph

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Exercise A

1. difference
2. not
3. while
4. however
5. Unlike

6. or

Exercise B

1. different
2. unlike
3. In contrast
4. while
5. not the same

The Comparative Paragraph

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Exercise A

1. similar
2. Each
3. typical
4. both
5. also
6. in common

Exercise B

1. in common
2. similar
3. Also
4. both
5. Likewise
6. alike

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Exercise A

1. road
2. noun
3. This road leads straight into downtown.
4. alley, boulevard, highway, street, trail, and turnpike
5. avenue, lane, etc.

Answer Key *(cont.)*

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Exercise B

1. path
2. alley
3. highway
4. Boulevard
5. street

Exercise C

1. train
2. coach
3. tutor
4. demonstrate
5. instruct

The Atlas and the Almanac

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Exercise A

1. almanac
2. almanac
3. atlas
4. almanac
5. almanac
6. atlas
7. almanac
8. atlas
9. atlas
10. atlas

Parts of a Book

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Exercise A

1. title page
2. table of contents
3. copyright page

4. index
5. index

Exercise B

6. Dr. James Bethal
7. 2001
8. about 27 pages
9. pages 96–110, 146
10. pages 89–150

Skimming and Scanning

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1. The Mummies of South America
 - a. An Incredible Discovery
 - b. The Inca Indians
 - c. Two Girls and One Boy
 - d. Secrets of the Mummies
2. The mummified bodies of ancient Indians have been found in South America. The mummies are in excellent shape, and scientists will be able to learn a great deal about life back in those times by studying them.
3. The mummies were buried in the ancient ruins of South America.
4. Inca lands were along South America's western coast. They went from Columbia in the north to Chile in the south.
5. The mummies were found in the Inca ruins of northern Argentina.
6. Scientists hope to answer many questions about Inca life, customs, and traditions.