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Antonym Search





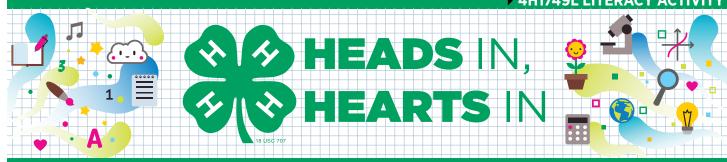
Supplies

- □ Dark-colored marker
- □ 2 labels (or masking tape or paper to use for labels)
- ■2 large, clear containers with lids
- ☐ "Guide for Families" handout
- ☐ Clear plastic standup display (optional)
- ☐ Dry erase crayons
- ☐ Cleaning cloth
- □1 "Grades K-2: Finding Antonyms" worksheet
- □1 "Grades 3–5: Finding Antonyms" worksheet
- ■2 clear plastic sleeves (optional)
- □1 "Grades K-2: Antonym Words" handout
- □1 "Grades 3–5: Antonym Words" handout
- **□** Scissors
- □ Variety of objects to fill containers such as noodles, paper clips, sand or pieces of foam
- ☐ Display table
- □ Tape

Activity Preparation

- ▶ Purchase or locate items on supply list.
- With the dark-colored marker and the labels, paper or masking tape, label one container "Grades K-2: Antonym Words." Label the other container "Grades 3-5: Antonym Words."
- Print one copy of the "Guide for Families" handout. Laminate or place in a clear plastic standup display to allow participants to see it more readily.
- ▶ Print one copy of the "Grades K-2: Finding Antonyms" worksheet. Laminate or place in a clear plastic sleeve.
- ▶ Print one copy of the "Grades 3–5: Finding Antonyms" worksheet. Laminate or place in a clear plastic sleeve.
- Print a copy of the "Grades K-2: Antonym Words" handout. Cut words apart and laminate. Place words in clear container labeled "Grades K-2: Antonym Words" with a variety of objects to hide the antonym words.
- Print a copy of the Grades 3-5: Antonym Words" handout. Cut words apart and laminate. Place words in clear container labeled "Grades 3-5: Antonym Words" with a variety of objects to hide the antonym words.
- Set up the display table and arrange needed supplies.
- Using tape, secure the lid of each container so participants cannot open the container.





Guide for Families

Learning Objectives

What you need to know:

An **antonym** is a word or phrase that means the opposite of another word. For example, "bad" is the opposite (or an antonym) of "good."

What you will do and learn:

This activity will help you develop an understanding of the term "antonym." In this activity, you will play a game in which you search for a word and connect it to the opposite word, or the word's antonym.

Instructions

- 1. Pick a container of antonyms in the appropriate grade level.
- Search for a word by moving and shaking the container. Please do not open the container and remove the word.
- 3. Think about what the word's antonym could be. See if you can find that word's antonym on the "Finding Antonyms" worksheet that corresponds with the appropriate grade level.
- **4.** Write your word from the container next to its matching antonym.
- **5.** When you have completed the activity, use the cleaning cloth to erase the "Finding Antonyms" worksheet.

Grades K-2: Finding Antonyms Worksheet

Antonym	Words from the container
big	
right	
good	
fast	
happy	
hungry	
soft	
dark	
wet	
new	

Grades K-2: Antonym Words Handout

small
wrong
bad
slow
sad
full
hard
light
dry
old

Grades 3–5: Finding Antonyms Worksheet

Antonym	Words from the container
answer	
frown	
friend	
narrow	
liquid	
subtract	
floor	
strong	
awake	
cloudy	

Grades 3–5: Antonym Words Handout

question
smile
enemy
wide
solid
add
ceiling
weak
asleep
sunny