

POWERFUL ADJECTIVES - HAPPY

The words below are all synonyms for 'happy'. Place them in the sentence where they fit best. Use each word only once.

amused cheerful contented delighted ecstatic
glad jovial overjoyed pleased thrilled

Even though Gary was ill, he remained _____.

Once she heard the news, Bina laughed in a _____ way.

I asked gran if she would like another cup of tea and she gave a _____ smile.

When Mark heard that he had a new baby sister, his _____ screams were deafening!

I offered Martin some more cake but he gave a _____ smile and said that the delicious slice of apple pie had filled him up.

I thought the programme was boring, but Gurbir watched the whole thing with an _____ smile.

Burt was _____ to win the poetry competition.

Brian was _____ to sell the painting for an extra £5.

Sam asked an _____ Alex for her hand in marriage.

Garth was always a _____ man, unlike his grumpy brother.

POWERFUL ADJECTIVES - SAD

The words below are all synonyms for 'sad'. Place them in the sentence where they fit best. Use each word only once.

blue depressed despairing despondent devastated
gloomy glum heartbroken miserable unhappy

The farm had one skinny _____ looking horse and a tiny field of dry grass.

When Ian learnt there were no more tea bags in the office, he gave an _____ frown.

It had rained all week and Henry was feeling _____.

The _____ writer returned from the bookshop. After six weeks on the shelf his book had been bought by nobody.

I tried to cheer up Philip but he was in a _____ mood.

Max had spent weeks on his painting. When he spilt ink over it, he gave a _____ cry.

Paula always thinks things will go wrong. She has such a _____ outlook.

Alone in the lifeboat, Adrian looked around at the empty sea and let out a _____ howl.

Nip was not impressed with the new dog food and gave it a _____ look when I poured it into his bowl.

My _____ grandfather told me that the cat had decided to live next door.

POWERFUL ADJECTIVES - NICE

The words below are all synonyms for 'nice'. Place them in the sentence where they fit best. Use each word only once.

charming considerate courteous friendly kindly
likeable noble obedient pleasant polite

My uncle is a very _____ man. Everybody is happy to meet him.

Everybody gets on with Tom. He is a very _____ boy.

Because Kevin was such a _____ boy, the waiter was happy to change his meal.

Harry soon fitted into his new school because of his _____ classmates.

My _____ aunt always chooses thoughtful birthday presents.

My _____ daughter helped me paint the room.

Sir Gawain was remembered as a brave and _____ warrior.

Ken was _____ company and we spent a nice afternoon in conversation over a cup of tea.

My _____ son always holds doors open for others.

The _____ pupil did everything he was asked to.

POWERFUL ADJECTIVES - BAD

The words below are all synonyms for 'bad'. Place them in the sentence where they fit best. Use each word only once.

cold-hearted greedy malicious mean nasty
selfish unfriendly unkind unpleasant wicked

My _____ uncle ignored the cries for help.

I tried to talk to the new pupil in the class but he was a very _____ boy

Our _____ neighbour refused to throw our ball back over the fence.

I do not want to talk to or even spend any time with Boris. He is a very _____ person.

Simon is a _____ person and is always playing tricks on others.

A _____ grin spread across Dave's face as he crept up on his unsuspecting victim.

Khusro gave a _____ smile and poured the spare change into his pocket.

My _____ brother has used all of the bread so I can't make sandwiches.

Betty said some _____ things to me.

Lauren is always spreading _____ rumours.

POWERFUL ADJECTIVES - AFRAID

The words below are all synonyms for 'afraid'. Place them in the sentence where they fit best. Use each word only once.

concerned edgy hysterical jumpy nervous
shy spooked timid uneasy worried

I watched my _____ cousin waiting to go up on stage.

Sheila gave the twisted bike frame a _____ look.

My cousin is waiting for an important phone call. He has been _____ all day.

As the rollercoaster approached the first bend, a _____ look spread across Amit's face.

Adam's _____ screams could be heard as soon as he entered the Ghost Train.

Ever since the loud bang, Terry has been terribly _____.

I hoped that Fred would enter the talent competition but he is very _____.

The _____ horse refused to go outside after the first flash of lightning.

My _____ cousin wanted to hide when the big dog bounded over.

I had an _____ feeling that something was going to go wrong.

POWERFUL ADJECTIVES - ANGRY

The words below are all synonyms for 'angry'. Place them in the sentence where they fit best. Use each word only once.

irritated bitter enraged furious outraged
sullen cross fuming sulky maddened

Amit gave an _____ frown as the fly buzzed around his head.

Bill gave Kelly a _____ look. He had still not forgotten how she had behaved earlier.

He was _____ at the girl's foolishness.

I backed away from Mum's _____ shouting when I told her I had broken her favourite vase.

Mary's _____ screams could be heard as soon as she saw the plans to close the library.

The boy sat in silence, refusing to talk to anybody and fixing everyone with a _____ glare.

Jenny was _____ that it was not her turn to sit in the front of the car.

When I heard that Kerry had won the competition, even though she had clearly cheated, I looked around to see Katy _____.

Zac walked around the shop with a _____ expression. He did not like going shopping with his parents.

Hugo was _____ that the shop had sold the last comic even though he had asked them to save him a copy.

POWERFUL ADJECTIVES - GOOD

The words below are all synonyms for 'good'. Place them in the sentence where they fit best. Use each word only once.

admirable amazing excellent exceptional nice
outstanding pleasing satisfying superb superior

Mr. Williams was an _____ head teacher

I watched an _____ magic show at the weekend and told all of my friends about it.

The actor won many awards after his _____ performance.

The crisp gave a _____ crunch when I bit into it.

I have seen many talented artists but Bill is an _____ painter.

The sculpture was a _____ piece of craftsmanship.

The song had a _____ tune.

Mr. Jenkins had done an _____ job in keeping everybody at the party entertained.

Heather wore a _____ suit.

At the school fête, many people wanted to try a slice of Polly's dessert; it was a _____ cake.

POWERFUL ADJECTIVES - HARD

The words below are all synonyms for 'hard'. Place them in the sentence where they fit best. Use each word only once.

arduous challenging complex difficult laborious
mind-boggling problematic puzzling tough tricky

It was a _____ job to fit all of the clothes in the suitcase.

Tom found some of the tasks in the escape room _____ at first but solved them after a few minutes' thought.

There was a _____ climb to the top of the mountain.

It was a _____ job delivering all of the newspapers in the snowstorm.

We had to find a way around a _____ maze of corridors before we found our way out.

Anthony did not know how to get himself out of the _____ situation.

None of the scientists was able to solve the _____ equation.

Cutting the huge tree into small logs was a _____ task.

The family made an _____ journey through the desert.

Andrea was facing a _____ situation and could not think of any solution.

POWERFUL ADJECTIVES - HOT

The words below are all synonyms for 'hot' Place them in the sentence where they fit best. Use each word only once.

blazing boiling humid muggy oppressive
scalding scorching searing sweltering warm

He poured the _____ water down the sink.

The grass died under the _____ sun.

I did not like the _____ atmosphere in the greenhouse.

That _____ afternoon, hundreds of people went to cool off at the beach.

I put down the _____ coffee and waited for it to cool down.

_____ magma shot out of the volcano.

We sat by the _____ fire to dry our damp clothes.

The summer air was _____ in the valley and we hoped for rain.

The _____ heat meant that everybody stayed inside until after sunset.

It was not pleasant travelling in the _____ heat of the desert.

POWERFUL ADJECTIVES - COLD

The words below are all synonyms for 'cold'. Place them in the sentence where they fit best. Use each word only once.

Arctic biting bitter brisk chilly
cool crisp freezing frosty wintry

It was a beautiful but _____ morning.

During the _____ weather, the birds found it difficult to find food.

Be careful on the _____ pavements.

Mavis wore a scarf and woolly hat in the _____ air.

I wore four layers of clothes and was still cold in the _____ weather

Eric pulled on a jumper when the air grew _____.

I cannot wait for warm spring instead of this _____ weather.

His thin gloves offered little protection against the _____ wind.

Uncle Bert wears his favourite jumper as soon as the weather is _____ enough.

I had to hold my hat down as I walked outside that _____ morning.