



Objective/Goal:

Gives participants the opportunity to review vocabulary.

Materials:

Participants need:

- None

Facilitator needs:

- whiteboard and whiteboard markers
- timer and bell (optional for Extension Activity B)

Procedure: (Warm-up)
15 minutes

Before the activity:

- 1) Write the following prompt on the whiteboard: "**Synonyms**"

Activity Instructions:

- 2) Explain to the participants the term.
"**Synonyms are words having the same or nearly the same meaning.**"
- 3) **Write** a couple of words on the whiteboard:
Ex.: **small**
Ex.: **happy**
- 4) **Brainstorm** together as a whole group some synonyms for each word.
Ex.: small=tiny, little, puny
Ex.: happy= joyful, cheery, elated
- 5) **Have** everyone sit in a circular formation.
- 6) Whole Group Demonstration: **Explain** that you will say a word, the person on the left will say a synonym to the word.
Ex. Facilitator; Big
Person #1: Huge
Person #2: Large
Person #3: Gigantic
Person: #4: Big etc.
- 7) **Divide** the whole group into 2 smaller groups.
- 8) **Write** 5-6 words on the whiteboard.



- 9) **Explain** that 1 person in each group starts the activity by saying the word from the whiteboard. The person on the left starts the chain by saying the synonym.
10. Each group **goes** through the whole list of words from the whiteboard.

Extension Activities:

**Extension activities are alternative or extra activities that can be done to supplement the main activity, if there is extra time. They can also be done for the next class as a review of previous vocabulary or conversation.*

- A.** Using the same words, instead of saying synonyms: antonyms (words that are opposite Ex. big-small, tall-short, fat-skinny, cats- dogs, etc.) can be said.
- B.** Have a competition using a **timer**, time both groups, the group that finished first by identifying a different synonym for the starting word. The last person can ring the bell-first –**WINS!** The facilitator needs to closely monitor both groups.