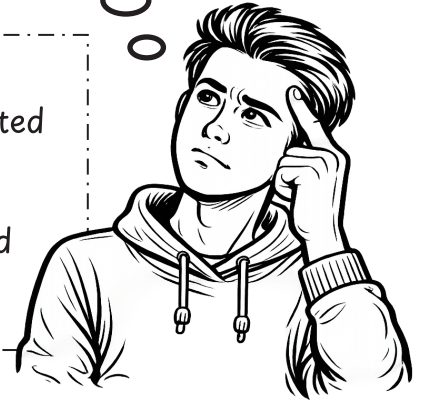


# Shades of Meaning

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

A group of words may be similar but have slight differences in meaning. These differences are called shades of meaning. Some words are more powerful than others, so it is important to choose the right words to match your intended meaning.



Match these words with their stronger shades of meaning

## Weather Words:

windy	freezing
bright	gusty
warm	pouring
cold	scorching
rainy	dazzling

## Feelings:

happy	devastated
sad	anxious
scared	furious
angry	delighted
worried	terrified

Write the words in order from least to most powerful

drenched  
soaked  
soggy  
wet

→  →  →

angry  
irate  
annoyed  
furious

→  →  →

Write stronger synonyms for each word. Use them in sentences.

tired	→	<input type="text"/>	_____
scared	→	<input type="text"/>	_____
hungry	→	<input type="text"/>	_____
thirsty	→	<input type="text"/>	_____
sleepy	→	<input type="text"/>	_____
surprised	→	<input type="text"/>	_____

Circle the word with the most appropriate shade of meaning for each sentence.

Ava was (happy / excited / ecstatic) when she found out she won the competition.

The little kitten made a (quiet / loud / deafening) noise when it wanted food.

The baby was (sleepy / tired / exhausted) after staying awake all afternoon.

Ben was (worried / nervous / panicked) before going on the giant roller coaster.

The hikers felt (thirsty / parched / dehydrated) after walking in the sun.

The classroom was (quiet / calm / silent) while everyone was reading.

We thought the soup tasted (good / delicious / magnificent)