Synonyms and Antonyms—5th and 6th Grades

Remember that a **synonym** means nearly the same thing as another word; an **antonym** means the opposite.

Example:  
*intelligent* and *smart* are **synonyms**  
*Intelligent* and *dumb* are **antonyms**

Replace the common underlined word in the sentence with a **synonym** that means the same thing. If you cannot think of a synonym, consult a reference source, such as a thesaurus.

1. Karen was **sad** when she did not win a prize in the race. ___________________

2. Jonas lives in that **large** yellow house on the corner. ___________________

3. After the game, Marcus looked **sleepy**. ___________________

4. Summer days on my grandfather’s farm are **hot**. ___________________

5. Can you help me **put together** these boards to make a bird house? ___________________

6. I made a **bad** grade on the math test, so I cannot go to the dance. ___________________

7. My mom says that it doesn’t cost anything to be **nice** to other people. ___________________

8. I would like to **buy** one of those new red t-shirts. ___________________

Write one **antonym** for the given word. If you cannot think of an antonym, consult a reference source, such as a thesaurus.

9. Divide ___________________

10. Urban ___________________

11. Available ___________________

12. Optimist ___________________

13. Extinct ___________________

14. Hostile ___________________

15. Dense ___________________
Answers--Synonyms and Antonyms—5th and 6th Grades

Answers given are just one possibility; other synonyms and antonyms should be accepted.

Remember that a synonym means nearly the same thing as another word; an antonym means the opposite.

Example: intelligent and smart are synonyms
Intelligent and dumb are antonyms

Replace the common underlined word in the sentence with a synonym that means the same thing. If you cannot think of a synonym, consult a reference source, such as a thesaurus.

1. Karen was sad when she did not win a prize in the race. __distraught_________________
2. Jonas lives in that large yellow house on the corner. __gigantic_________________
3. After the game, Marcus looked sleepy. __drowsy_________________
4. Summer days on my grandfather’s farm are hot. __scorching_________________
5. Can you help me put together these boards to make a bird house? ___assemble_________________
6. I made a bad grade on the math test, so I cannot go to the dance. ___horrific_________________
7. My mom says that it doesn’t cost anything to be nice to other people. __courteous_________________
8. I would like to buy one of those new red t-shirts. ___purchase_________________

Write one antonym for the given word. If you cannot think of an antonym, consult a reference source, such as a thesaurus.

9. Divide ___join; multiply_________________
10. Urban ___rural_________________
11. Available ___unavailable_________________
12. Optimist ___pessimist_________________
13. Extinct ___abundant_________________
14. Hostile ___friendly_________________
15. Dense ___sparse_________________