



# Dictionary and Thesaurus Skills

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4. If you keep repeating the same word, a thesaurus helps you find a \_\_\_\_\_ .

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- 1. A thesaurus helps you find words with similar meanings called synonyms .
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