



Choosing Effective Vocabulary



1. Read the following sentences. Can you complete them using a different synonym to the one given in brackets?

- a) Farron was very (nosy) _____ ; she had a good rummage in the box of stationery supplies when the teacher wasn't looking.
- b) Tinkerbell felt very (awkward) _____ when Peter Pan told Wendy she couldn't fly without using pixie dust.
- c) Tony visited the cinema (often) _____ as he really enjoyed seeing the newly released films.

2. Now think of an **antonym** for the underlined words in these sentences.

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Use one of your synonyms to write a sentence.

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1. Suggestions for Synonyms:

- a) nosy - **curious, inquisitive, interested**
- b) often - **frequently, regularly, repeatedly**
- c) uncomfortable – **uneasy, awkward, unbearable**



2. Suggestions for Antonyms:

- a) sufficient – **insufficient, inadequate, deficient**
- b) successful – **unsuccessful, defeated, failed**
- c) familiar – **unfamiliar, different, unknown**