

Choosing the right meaning

Some words have more than one meaning. When this happens, the thesaurus gives you more than one list of synonyms. Each list has a number in front of it. Here is an example.

- 👁️ Look in your thesaurus for the word **cold**.
- Look at the bright green numbers.
- The numbers show that there are **two lists of words**. This is because the word has **two meanings**.



Read these sentences. 👁️ Look up the word in **bold** print and choose a synonym to use instead of it. Think about the meaning. Make sure you choose a word from the correct list. When you are sure, write your synonym in the box.

1 It was a **gloomy** day.

2 He was feeling **gloomy**.

3 It was a **hard** puzzle.

4 The piece of wood felt **hard**.

5 There was a **bright** light in the room.

6 She seems to be quite **bright**.

7 He was a tall **thin** man.

8 The soup was **thin** and tasteless.

✓ I can think about the meaning of a word and choose synonyms from the correct list.