Word Pals and Opposites

Students identify words with similar and opposite meanings.

1.4.R.1 "Students will begin to determine relationships among words, including synonyms and antonyms."

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Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

1 CIRCLE A PAL

a	sad	glad	sleepy
b	slow	quiet	fast
c	angry	calm	tired

2 MATCH OPPOSITES

hot	out
up	cold
in	down

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 1 · 1.4.R.1

HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE

Model with tiny and small as words that mean almost the same thing, and tall and short as words that mean the opposite. Read the printed words aloud, then give students time to circle or match words on their own.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

PART 1 · CIRCLE A PAL

SAY "I will read the words in each row. Circle the word that means almost the same as the word I say."

ROW	SAY	STUDENTS CIRCLE
a	Listen: sad, glad, sleepy. Which word means almost the same as happy?	**glad**
b	Listen: slow, quiet, fast. Which word means almost the same as quick?	**fast**
c	Listen: angry, calm, tired. Which word means almost the same as mad?	**angry**

PART 2 · MATCH OPPOSITES

SAY "Listen to the left words: hot, up, in. Listen to the right words: out, cold, down. Which right word means the opposite of each left word? Draw a line for each pair."

- **hot** matches **cold**
- **up** matches **down**
- **in** matches **out**

WHAT TO ACCEPT

Circle glad, fast, and angry, in that order. Match hot with cold, up with down, and in with out.