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| **Subject:** | Language Arts |
| **Title:** | Synonyms |
| **Grade Level:** | 6 |
| **Purpose:** | Students use new vocabulary words in sentences about hockey showing their understanding of alternative words in context. |
| **Curricular****Connections:** | * Expand knowledge of language
* Choose words that capture a particular aspect of meaning and that are appropriate for context, audience and purpose
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| **Materials:** | 1. Blackboard, smart board, chart paper etc. for instruction
2. Word List (see attached)
3. Thesaurus
4. Printable worksheet or lined paper for sentences
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| **Activity:** | 1. Students are given a lesson on synonyms.
2. Use “Word List” provided. The “Word List” consists of words that are synonyms to the bold words on the worksheet. Print words on the board or on chart paper.
3. Discuss meanings of the words. Students think of synonyms (words with the same meaning) for the words on the list.
4. Distribute worksheet.
5. Students fill in the blanks with keywords chosen from the “Word List”:
* spelling the words carefully.
* reading the sentences to check for correct meaning in the context of the sentence.
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| **Extension:** | 1. Use the words in a Spelling test.
2. Have students write their own sentences using the new vocabulary words.
3. Students write a cohesive paragraph using 10 new vocabulary words.
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| **Assessment:** | 1. Teacher observes students while they complete the worksheet, providing feedback and assistance where needed.
2. Assess students written work for understanding of synonyms.
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**Synonyms Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Read the sentences carefully. Fill in the blanks with keywords from the Word List.

1. The Hockey Canada team put on quite a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the hockey fans. **show**
2. Both teams were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to play their best.

 **Keen**

1. During their hockey training camps both teams had undergone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ training. **hard**
2. They had to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to get the puck from their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. **Keep going** **rivals**
3. There were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ shots on goal, challenging the goalie!

 **a lot of**

1. The goalie made a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attempt to stop all of the shots.

 **brave**

1. However, one forward appeared quite \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ while his teammates **strong**

were feeling quite \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**tired**

1. The Team Canada forward \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 **appeared group**

of players and fired his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ shot toward the net.

 **excellent**

1. He scored, and Team Canada was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!!

 **successful**

1. They \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ over the competition.

 **got win**

Word List

* for Teacher-guided lesson
* there are 20 words on this list
* students choose 15 to complete the sentences
1. superior
2. opponents
3. cluster
4. gallant
5. performance
6. eager
7. achieved
8. weary
9. vigorous
10. remarkable
11. emerged
12. victory
13. persist
14. abundant
15. heroic
16. victorious
17. hardy
18. spectacular
19. exhausted
20. heroic