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MARK (In margin)	EXPLANATION	EXAMPLE (In text)
	Begin new paragraph.	story.
<i>bf</i>	Boldface.	<u>what</u> you want to write
	Close up.	may
	Delete and close up.	story
<i>ital</i>	Italics.	the word <u>hilarious</u> would work
<i>stet</i>	Keep as originally written.	You may need to put it aside
	No new paragraph.	at the end.
	Put in a colon.	the following
	Put in a comma.	If not
=	Put in a hyphen.	to re
	Put in a period.	once
	Put in a question mark.	Is it what you wanted to say
	Put in a semicolon.	this way
#	Put in a space.	sometimes you
	Put in an exclamation mark.	Just say it
	Put in or insert a word or words.	There's no
€ £	Put in parentheses.	a word
	Put in quotation marks.	Then she said,
<i>run in</i>	Run in with previous line.	<u>You may want</u> to read it aloud to see if it
	Spell it out.	there could be
	Take out or delete.	see
<i>tr</i>	Transpose or change places.	The
<i>caps</i>	Use a capital letter.	The capital of <u>ohio</u> is on the
<i>lc</i>	Use a lower-case letter.	A word or two may need to be

Preface



What are some words that mean the same as nice?

Is it's or its the right word to use in your sentence?

What words rhyme with the word moon?

Words, Words, Words provides the answers to these questions and hundreds more that beginning writers ask as they work to put their ideas on paper.

Words, Words, Words provides a single source where beginning writers can quickly and easily find thousands of words that have been carefully selected and organized in the section “Words, Words, Words.” Here, beginning writers have at their fingertips comprehensive lists of synonyms and antonyms, metaphors and similes, homophones and homographs, compound words and contractions, fun words, and more than two-hundred families of rhyming words.

In addition to a glossary and index, *Words, Words, Words* includes proofreader’s marks, library classifications, and specialized indexes that help beginning writers find particular synonyms and rhyming-word families.

Whether writing for school assignments or for pleasure, beginning writers will find *Words, Words, Words* an invaluable resource to assist them in becoming the best wordsmiths they can be.

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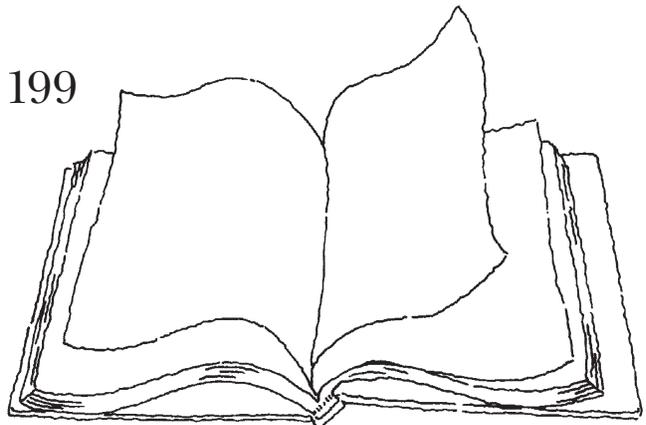
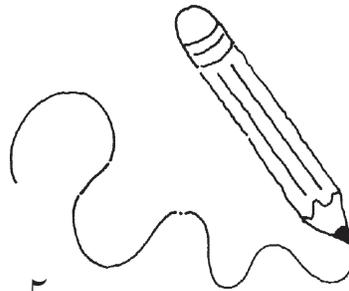
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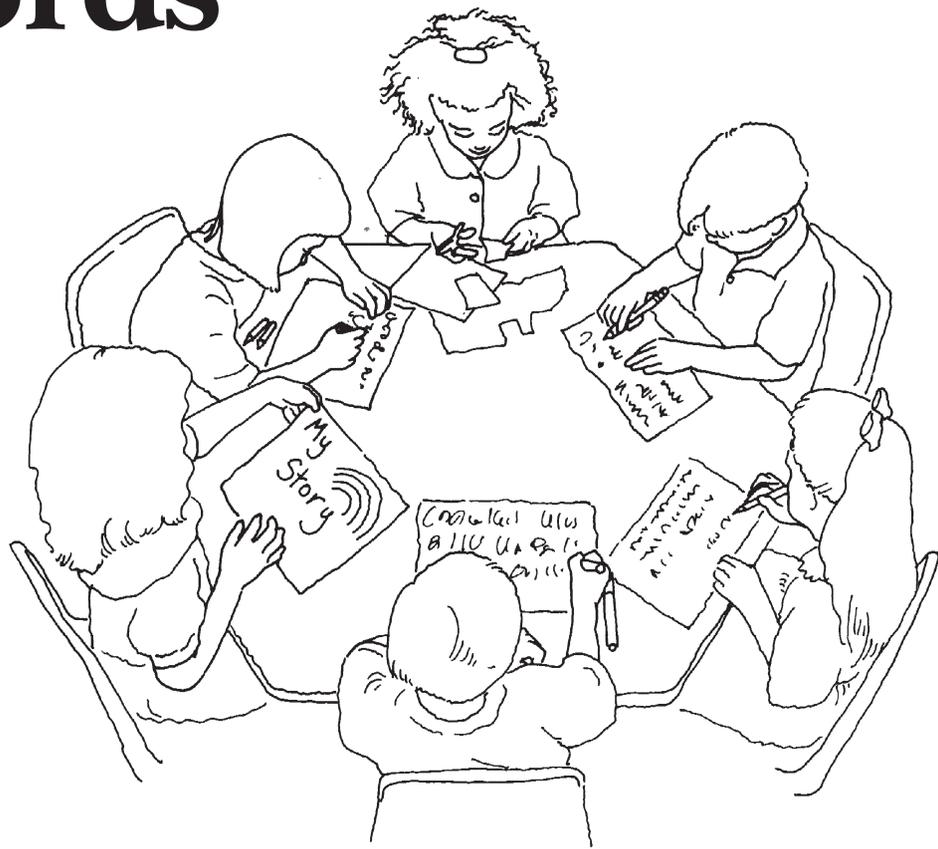
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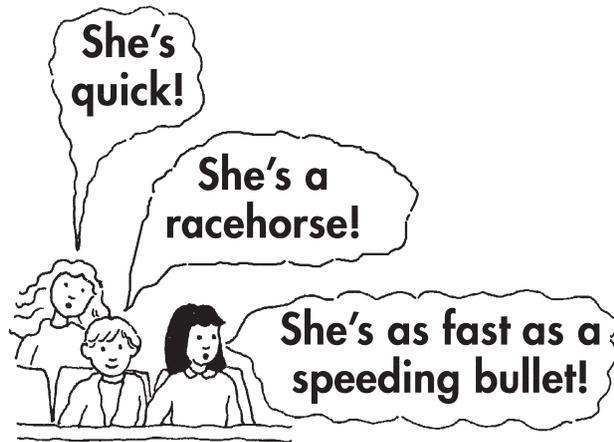
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Words, Words, Words



Another Way to Say It



(Synonyms, Metaphors, Similes)

Three children describe a runner—
but they all use different words! And
here are more words that might be used
to describe the runner:



She's speedy!

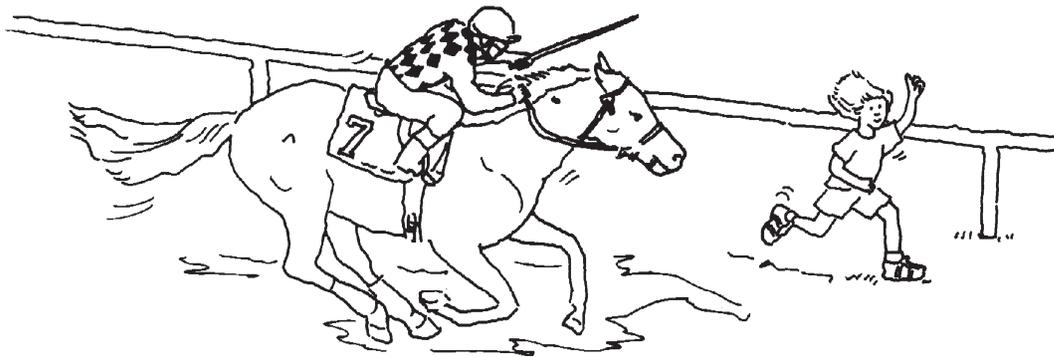
She's like Jackie Joyner-Kersey!

She's a streak of lightning!

Can you think of more ways to describe the
runner?

The words quick and speedy are called
synonyms. Synonyms are words that mean the same
or nearly the same.

The words “a streak of lightning” and “a racehorse” are called metaphors. A metaphor compares one thing to another. The runner’s speed is compared to the speed of a racehorse or a flash of lightning.

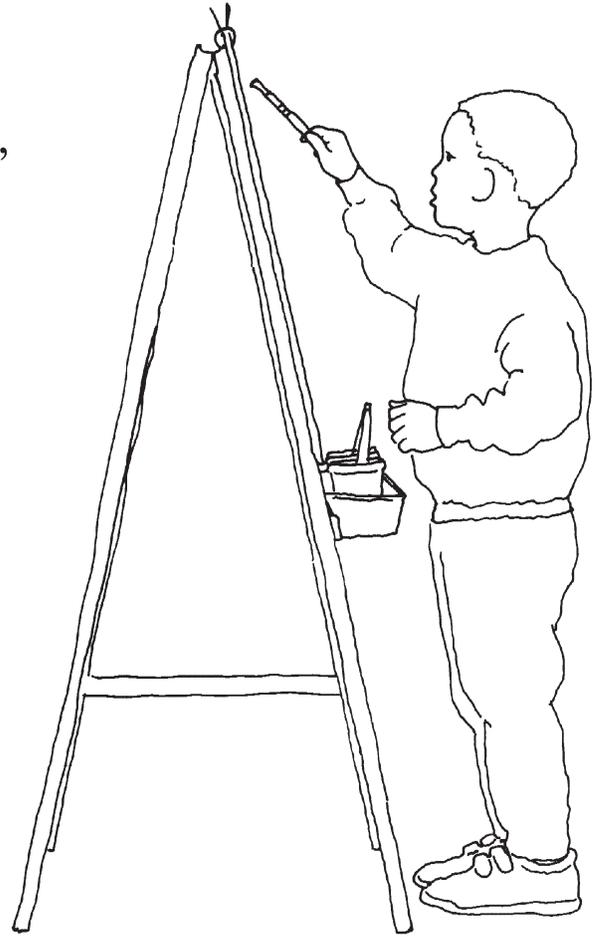


The words “as fast as a speeding bullet” and “like Jackie Joyner-Kersey” are called similes. A simile uses the words like or as to compare one thing to another. The runner’s speed is compared to a bullet’s speed or the speed of champion runner Jackie Joyner-Kersey.

Metaphors and similes are figures of speech or figurative language. As a writer, you want your reader to be able to “picture” what you are saying.

So you may want to use synonyms and figures of speech to help you “paint” your pictures.

A cliché is a figure of speech that is used so often that it is said to be “overworked.” You could use the cliché “runs like a racehorse” to describe the runner. But your language would be more original if you said the runner was “like a champion sprinter” or “as swift as a cheetah.”



You will find many synonyms and figures of speech on the following pages. Basic words are listed alphabetically in dark type. Under each basic word you will find synonyms, metaphors, and similes. You will want to choose the word or words that say exactly what you want to say. You may even want to add some of your own ideas to the lists.

A

alike

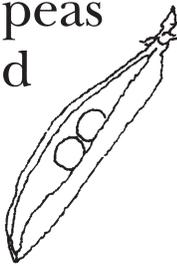
equal

like two peas
in a pod

same

similar

twin



almost

about

around

as good as

close to

for the most
part

nearly

not quite

angry

about to
explode

as mad as a
hornet

at your wit's
end

boiling

burned up

cross

fed up

fit to be tied

flying off the
handle

furious

losing your
temper

like a wild
animal

mad

mad at the
world

out of control

seeing red

answer

explain

reply

respond

solve

tell

argue

battle

debate

disagree

lock horns

pick a fight

quarrel

spat

**ashamed**

embarrassed
 guilty
 like the
 cat that
 swallowed
 the canary
 red-faced
 sheepish

ask

beg
 call for
 inquire
 invite
 look for
 plead
 question

request
 summon

B**bad**

awful
 criminal
 crooked
 dishonest
 evil
 harmful
 horrible
 like yesterday's
 garbage

mean
 nasty
 poor
 rotten
 rude
 spoiled
 terrible

begin

call to order
 cut the ribbon
 dedicate
 dive in
 fire away
 get going
 get the show
 on the road
 kick off
 open
 start
 take off
 take the first
 step

believe

be convinced
 get it through
 your head
 have faith in
 trust
 value