

LESSON THREE: SYNONYMS AND ANTONYMS

Words that have meanings that are opposite are called antonyms, and words that have meanings that are alike or almost the same are called synonyms.

EXAMPLE: Wrong and right are opposite: they are antonyms

Hot and cold are opposite: they are antonyms

Big and large are alike: they are synonyms

Sad and unhappy are alike: they are synonyms

A. Write each pair of words in your book. Write synonym next to the pair if the words are alike or almost the same. If the words are opposites, write antonyms next to the words. Then write a sentence with each word.

1. good/bad
2. fat/overweight
3. shout/yell
4. tall/short
5. thin/skinny
6. noisy/loud
7. start/stop
8. happy/sad
9. start/begin
10. little/tiny

B. Look at each word that is underlined below and think of a synonym for it. Then write a sentence using the synonym in it. Try to write the sentences about Krsna in Vrndavana.

1. The boy in the new dhoti was thin.
2. That light fell off the table and broke.
3. Can you hop all the way to the temple?
4. Can you bring the pail that has no holes?

4. Correct all spacing mistakes.
5. Make sure all sentences make sense, are not run-on sentences, or fragments.
6. After you have finished proofreading your work, copy over each sentence neatly.

EXERCISES

A. The sentences below have been proofread, and marks showing the mistakes have been added. Rewrite each sentence neatly and correctly in your notebook.

1. Krsna grew up in Vrndavana and then went to Mathura and then He
run-on
went to Dwarka and there he had 16,108 palaces.
 2. Each palace had.
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 3. visited one day.
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 4. Narada Muni was playing his Vina. and he sat down and Krsna worshipped
run-on
him. and Krsna offered him a seat and then Krsna gave Narada a place to
RUN-ON
sit, and some fruits to eat too.
 5. Narada Muni was amazed that Krsna
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 6. After Krsna left his palaces each day.
 7. Krsna would go to the assembly house, Sudharma and there he would see
run-on
the other members of the Yadu dynasty and then he would watch dancers and
RUN-ON
jokers and then he would be in a good mood.
 8. In the Sudharma assembly house.
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 9. No one would grow old and no one would become diseased no one would
run-on
be hungry, and no one would be sad, while in Sudharma.
run-on
 10. Once a messenger from the kings who had been captured by Jarasandha.
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- B. Ask your teacher to give you loose sheet copies of the next two exercises. Marking the loose sheets, correct each sentence using proofreading marks.

The king walked around Krsna and bowed down before Him. An airplane came from heaven and King Nrga got in it. He returned to his planet, having seen the Supreme Person.

Questions:

Copy each question and then answer it in a full sentence.

1. Where did the princess of the Yadu dynasty find the lizard?
2. What kind of good work did the demigod do in his past life?
3. Why were the brahmanas angry?
4. Why did King Nrga have to live in a lizard's body?
5. What was the prayer of King Nrga?
6. Was the king lucky or unlucky? Why do you think so?

LESSON SIX: HOMOPHONES

Words that sound alike, but have different meanings and spellings are called homophones or homonyms.

Here is a list of homophones you should know.

1. here I wish the Deity was here.

hear To hear about Krsna is ecstasy.

Which word means "listen to"? Which word means "in or at this place".

2. dear The spiritual master is dear to Krsna.

deer The deer was licking Krsna.

Which word means "hoofed animal"? Which word means "loved person"?

3. meet When will I meet my spiritual master again?

meat We cannot offer meat to Krsna.

Which word means "flesh of an animal"? Which word means "to come together"?

4. new The Deities have a new silver crown.

knew I knew the Bhagavad-gita verses.

Which word means "never-used before"? Which word means "to have in your mind"?

EXERCISES

A. Complete each sentence using the correct word within the ().

1. The beginning of Krsna consciousness is to _____. (~~here~~/hear)

2. We want to build a temple _____. (here/hear)

3. To _____ Krsna is a pure desire. (meet/meat)

4. Mrgari liked the taste of animal _____. (meet/meat)

5. The _____ was hiding nearby. (deer/dear)

6. We begin a letter "_____ Prabhu". (deer/dear)

7. The _____ set of Srimad Bhagavatams are in the boxes. (new/knew)

8. The old sage _____ Srila Prabhupada. (new/knew)

B. Write one sentence for each word: here, hear, dear, deer, meet, meat, new, and knew.

They ran and ran. At last Lord Siva ran to seek help from Lord Visnu. Lord Visnu knew how to save him. The Lord changed Himself into a beautiful young boy and stood before Vrkasura.

Lord Visnu spoke to Vrkasura with sweet words. "Please do not run after Lord Siva. To tell you the truth, I do not think that Lord Siva was able grant your boon. Let us test him. Just touch your hand to your head. You will see that Lord Siva has not given you any boon at all."

The demon was confused by Lord Visnu's words. As soon as Vrkasura touched his hand to his head, his head cracked and he died. Lord Siva was saved by the trick of Lord Visnu.

Questions

Copy each question and then answer it in a full sentence.

1. Why did Narada tell Vrkasura to worship Lord Siva?
2. What did Vrkasura offer to Lord Siva?
3. What boon did Lord Siva give Vrkasura?
4. Who did Vrkasura try to use his boon on?
5. Who saved Lord Siva?
6. What did Lord Visnu tell Vrkasura?
7. How was Vrkasura killed?
8. If you could have any boon you wanted, what boon would you ask for?
9. Why would you ask for this boon?

EXAMPLE: clean/dirty

Is the new cloth clean?

No, the new cloth is dirty.

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| 1. beat/hit | 2. near/far |
| 3. quick/fast | 4. mean/nasty |
| 5. like/hate | 6. listen/hear |
| 7. play/work | 8. big/little |
| 9. merry/happy | 10. baby/infant |

E. Using the same direction as D, write sentences with the following groups of words.

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| 1. shout/whisper | 7. pick/choose |
| 2. loud/soft | 8. start/stop |
| 3. huge/tiny | 9. smart/stupid |
| 4. high/low | 10. laugh/giggle |
| 5. end/finish | 11. loss/gain |
| 6. laugh/cry | 12. baby/man |