

## ***Words to Help You Write Better***

### **Synonyms for "Said" (Because "Said" is Dead!)**

announced	answered	asked	chuckled	commanded
complained	cooed	cried	crooned	crowed
declared	exclaimed	groaned	growled	grumbled
inquired	mentioned	mumbled	muttered	narrated
ordered	pleaded	proclaimed	quoted	remarked
sang	scolded	screamed	shouted	stated
teased	thundered	told	whispered	yelled

### **More Ways to Say "Said"**

abjured	accused	acknowledged	added	addressed
admitted	admonished	advised	advocated	affirmed
agreed	alleged	allowed	alluded	announced
answered	apologized	appealed	appeased	approved
argued	articulated	asked	assented	asserted
asseverated	assumed	assured	attested	averted
avouched	avowed	babbled	baited	bantered
barked	bawled	began	begged	believed
belittled	bellowed	berated	beseached	besought
bleated	blew up	blubbered	blurted	blustered
boasted	boomed	bragged	breathed	broke in
brought forth	cackled	cajoled	calculated	called
caroled	cautioned	challenged	chanted	charged
chatted	chattered	cheered	chided	chipped in
chirped	choked	chortled	chuckled	cited
claimed	coaxed	comforted	commanded	commented
communicated	complained	conceded	concluded	concurred
condescended	confessed	confided	confirmed	confuted
consented	consoled	contended	contested	continued
contradicted	contributed	cooed	corss-examined	coughed
counseled	countered	crabbed	cracked	craved
cried	criticized	croaked	crooned	cursed
cussed	debated	decided	declared	decreed
defended	delivered	demanded	demurred	denied
denounced	described	determined	dictated	directed
disclaimed	disclosed	discussed	disrupted	divulged
drawled	droned	echoed	elaborated	emphasized
enjoined	enumerated	enunciated	equivocated	estimated
exaggerated	exclaimed	exhorted	expatiated	explained
exploded	exposed	expostulated	expounded	expressed
extended	extolled	faltered	foretold	fumed
gagged	interjected	interrupted		

## Transition Words

### **1. Step-by-Step Directions**

first	next	last	to begin with	after that
finally	start by	then	the last step	also
as	during	meanwhile	second	later

### **2. Chronological Order (In order by time)**

now	later	at last	soon	next
again	before	meanwhile	after that	finally

### **3. Occasion/Position (Reasons Order)**

likewise	because	an example	in fact	on the contrary
another	also	finally	however	most important
consequently	therefore	for example	one reason	another reason
in other words	to illustrate			in the same way

### **4. In Addition**

in addition	again	moreover	further
furthermore	finally	lastly	at last
in conclusion	first	second	

### **5. Emphasis**

in fact	indeed	in any event	certainly
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### **6. Result**

accordingly	thus	consequently	therefore
thereupon			

### **7. Summary**

in brief	in sum	to sum up	on the whole
in conclusion	to restate	so you see	in summary

## ***Vocabulary for Colors***

<p><b><u>RED</u></b>  blush red  brick  cardinal  carmine  cerise  cherry  coral  claret  coralline  cranberry  crimson  flame  florid  garnet  pink  rose  roseate  rubicund  ruddy  rust  sanguine  scarlet  strawberry  titian  vermillion  wine-red</p>	<p><b><u>BLUE</u></b>  aquamarine  azure  cerulean  electric blue  indigo  midnight  navy  robin's-egg blue  royal  sapphire  sky  steel blue  turquoise</p>	<p><b><u>BROWN</u></b>  auburn  nut  chestnut  chocolate  cocoa  fawn  henna  mahogany  mud  russet  tan  teak</p>	<p><b><u>WHITE</u></b>  blanched  blond  fair  ivory  milky  pearly  snowy</p>
	<p><b><u>PURPLE</u></b>  amethyst  heliotrope  lavender  lilac  magenta  maroon  mauve  plum  puce  violet  wine</p>	<p><b><u>ORANGE</u></b>  apricot  brass  bronze  copper  peach  pumpkin  salmon  sandy  shrimp pink  tangerine</p>	<p><b><u>GREEN</u></b>  avocado  emerald  evergreen  grassy  jade  lime  moss  olive  pine  verdure</p>
<p><b><u>YELLOW</u></b>  aureate  gilt  gold  lemon  sallow  tawny</p>	<p><b><u>GRAY</u></b>  ash  dove  dun  grizzled  iron  leaden  metallic  silver  slate  steel</p>	<p><b><u>BLACK</u></b>  dusky  ebony  jet  onyx  pitch  sable</p>	<p><b><u>MANY-HUED</u></b>  brindled  checked  checkered  dappled  flecked  freckled  marbled  mosaic  mottled  patched  patchwork  speckled  sprinkled</p>

## Vocabulary for the Five Senses

### 1. Sounds

babble	crackle	mumble	thump
bark	crash	murmur	tick
bash	creak	mutter	tinkle
bawl	croak	neigh	toll
bay	crow	patter	toot
beat	drone	peal	tootle
bellow	drumming	peep	trill
blast	fanfare	pop	twang
bleat	fizz	purr	twitter
boom	gibber	quack	wail
bray	grating	roar	warble
bubble	groan	rumble	wheeze
buzz	growl	screech	whine
cackle	grumble	scream	whir
caw	grunt	shriek	whisper
chant	gurgle	sizzle	whistle
chatter	hiss	snap	yap
chime	hoot	snarl	yell
chirp	howl	snore	yelp
clangor	hullabaloo	snort	zap
clank	hum	splash	zing
clash	jingle	squall	zip
clatter	meow	squeak	
click	mew	thrum	
crack	moan	thud	

### 2. Touch

cold	cool	crisp	damp
dry	dull	elastic	feathery
fleshy	fragile	furry	fuzzy
gritty	hairy	hot	icy
leathery	lukewarm	mushy	oily
prickly	pulpy	rough	rubbery
sandy	satiny	sharp	silky
slippery	smooth	soft	spongy
steamy	sticky	tender	tepid
thick	thin	tough	velvety
warm	waxy	wet	wooly

### 3. Taste

alkaline	bitter	bittersweet	bland
burnt	buttery	crisp	fishy
fruity	gingery	hearty	hot
medicinal	mellow	oily	overripe
peppery	raw	ripe	rotten
salty	sour	spicy	spoiled
sugary	sweet	tangy	tasteless
unripe	vinegary		

### 4. Smell

acidic	acid	aromatic	balmy
briny	burnt	damp	dank
earthy	fishy	fragrant	fresh
gamy	gaseous	heady	mildewed
moldy	musty	odorous	perfumed
piney	pungent	putrid	rancid
reeking	rotten	savory	scented
sharp	sickly	sour	spicy
spoiled	stagnant	stench	sweet
tempting			

### 5. Sight (Appearance)

animated	arid	arrogant	awkward	blotched
bold	bright	bruised	cheap	clear
cluttered	congested	crisp	crooked	crowded
curved	dark	dazzling	decorative	dingy
dismal	dotted	drab	dramatic	dull
elegant	energetic	erect	exhausted	flashy
flat	flowery	fluid	formal	fragile
frail	freckled	frightened	gigantic	glassy
glazed	glossy	glowing	grimy	hardy
healthy	heavy	huge	immense	imposing
iridescent	irresistible	jammed	large	lean
lithe	lively	loose	massive	messy
miniature	mottled	muddy	muscular	narrow
nervous	old	opaque	opulent	orderly
overloaded	packed	pale	patterned	perky
pretty	ramshackle	regal	rigid	robust
rotted	shabby	sheer	shimmering	showy
shy	sickly	slender	small	sparkling
spotted	stately	stout	straight	stretched
striped	strong	sturdy	supple	tall
tantalizing	tied	timid	tiny	tired
translucent	transparent	ugly	untidy	used
wide	wild	worn	wrinkled	young

## ***Vocabulary for Movement***

amble	hike	roam	stride
canter	hustle	roll	stroll
charge	limp	rove	strut
clatter	loaf	sail	swerve
clump	lumber	sashay	toddle
coast	march	saunter	traipse
cruise	meander	scamper	tramp
dance	navigate	scurry	tread
drift	pace	shuffle	trek
file	parade	slide	trot
flit	plod	slink	trudge
float	ply	slither	tumble
flow	prance	sneak	undulate
fly	prowl	sprint	walk
gallop	race	stalk	wallow
glide	ramble	stampede	waltz
hasten	range	straggle	wander
			wend