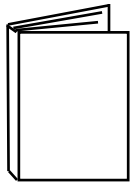


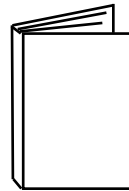
Thesaurus Rex

Great writers fill their stories with words that fit just right. But you won't want to use the same vocabulary every time. Sometimes, a flashier word works perfectly; other times, a common word does the trick. In this activity, you'll use a thesaurus or a dictionary to find synonyms for words from the article.

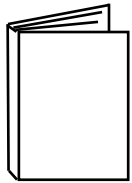
Directions: Using a thesaurus or a dictionary, find and write a simpler synonym above each word and a tougher one below it.



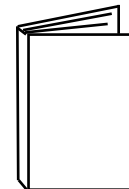
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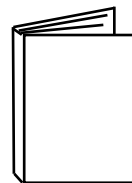
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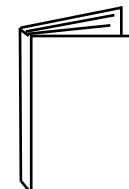
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toxic

Critical Thinking

On a separate piece of paper, write a paragraph about something you learned from the article "Deadly Bites." Use at least five of the synonyms you recorded above in your paragraph.