

Words Are CAtegorical™



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More about Synonyms

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illustrated by Brian Gable



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One book is never enough to explore the wide range of synonyms! The **crazy** and **zany** cats deliver loads of additional examples to illustrate the power of synonyms to make writing **superb** or **terrific**.

Brian P. Cleary's **playful**, **rollicking** verse and Brian Gable's comical **cats** or **felines** turn traditional grammar lessons on end. Each pair or group of synonyms is printed in color for **easy** and **simple** identification. Read this book aloud and share the delight of the sense—and nonsense—of words.

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For Mike and Sue Cleary—my first teachers
—B.P.C.





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Whether you're moseying,
strolling, or walking,



babbling,

chattering,

mumbling, or talking,

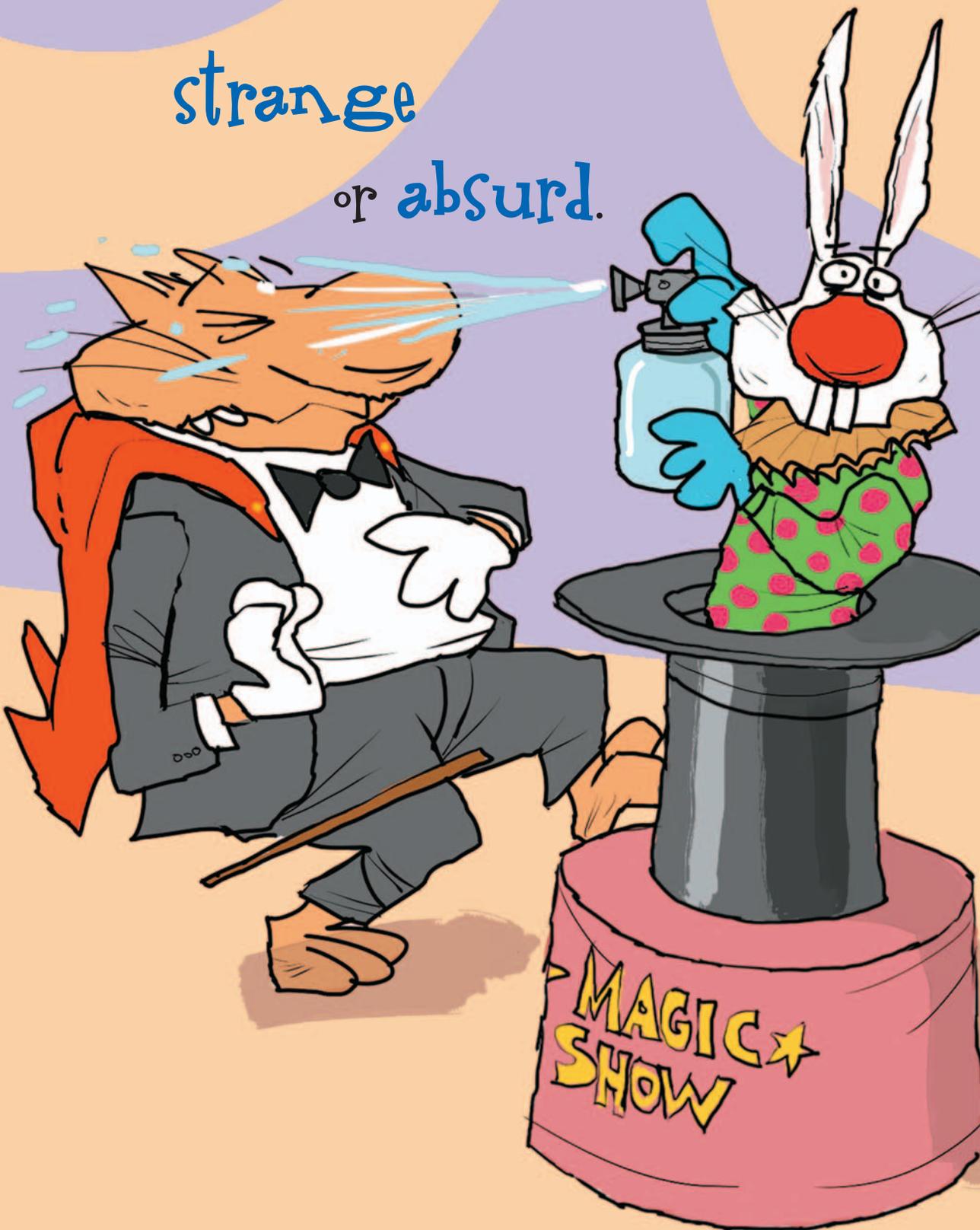


Synonyms help us
select the right word,

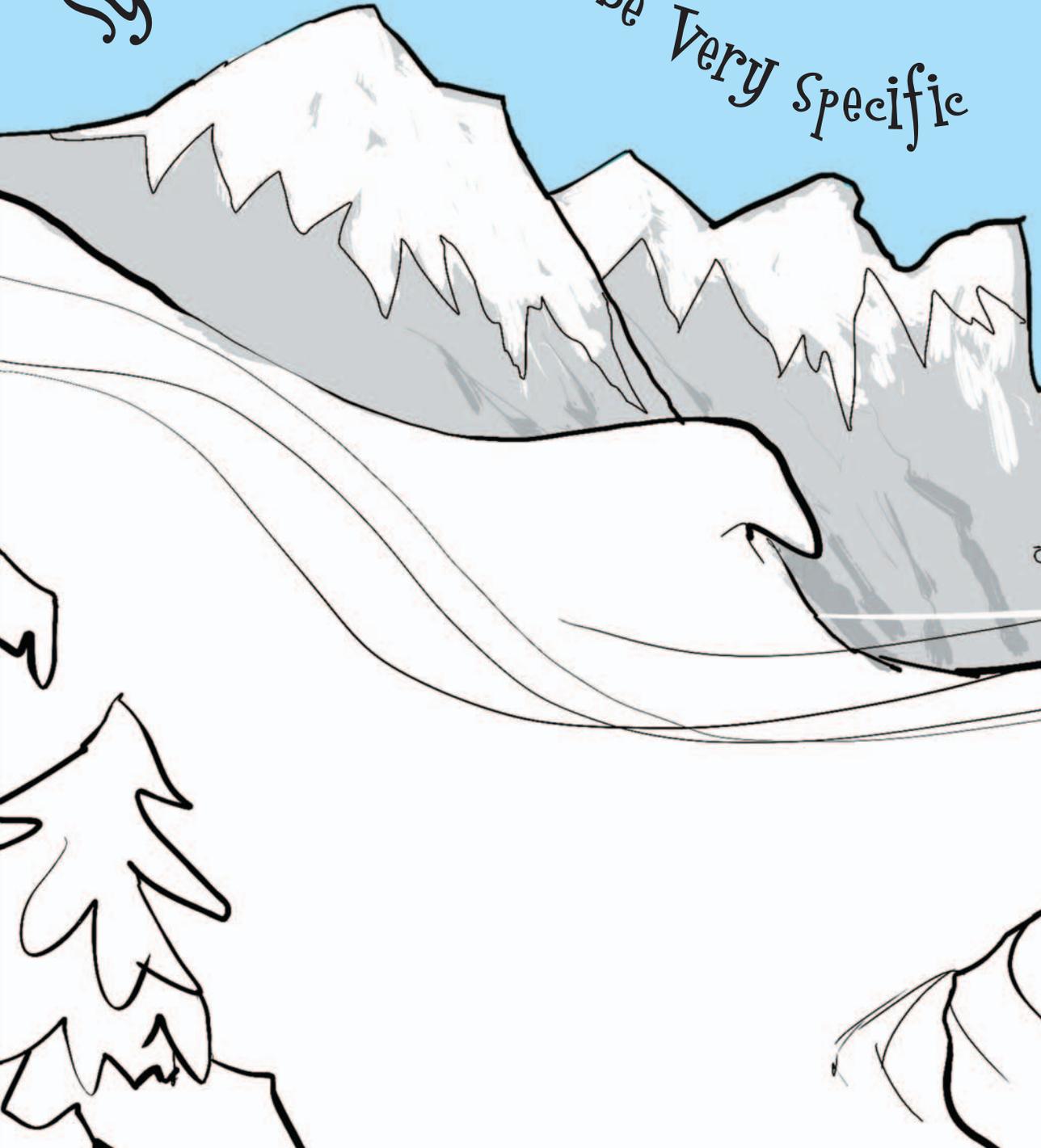


as in *sly* or *clever*,

strange
or absurd.



Synonyms let us be Very Specific



and say what we mean,

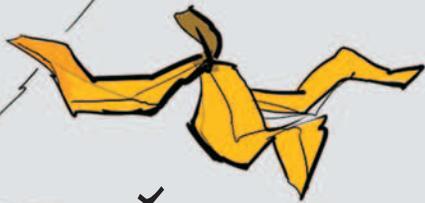
like **superb** or **terrific**.





Your options for words
will quadruple—plus half—

When you start to use
all the words

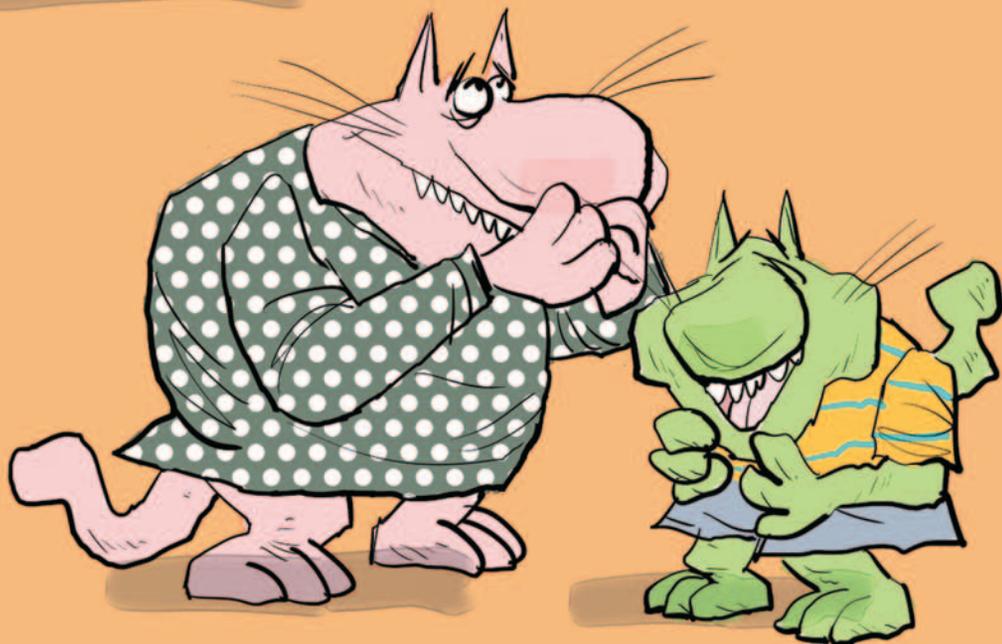


that mean **laugh.**

Try giggle



and snicker



and *chuckle* and *chortle*—



You get to choose what works best!



You might prefer **crack up**,



and (just as a backup)



You may think that **cackle** has zest.

Each Synonym has quite a similar meaning,



like **Washing**
and **Scouring**,



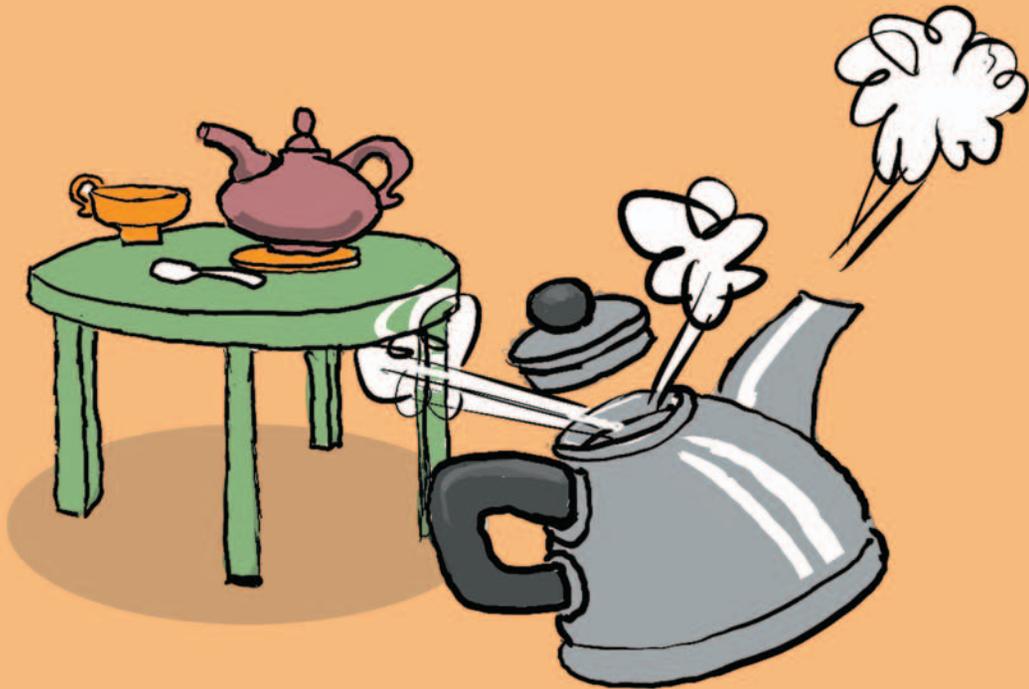


scrubbing



and cleaning.

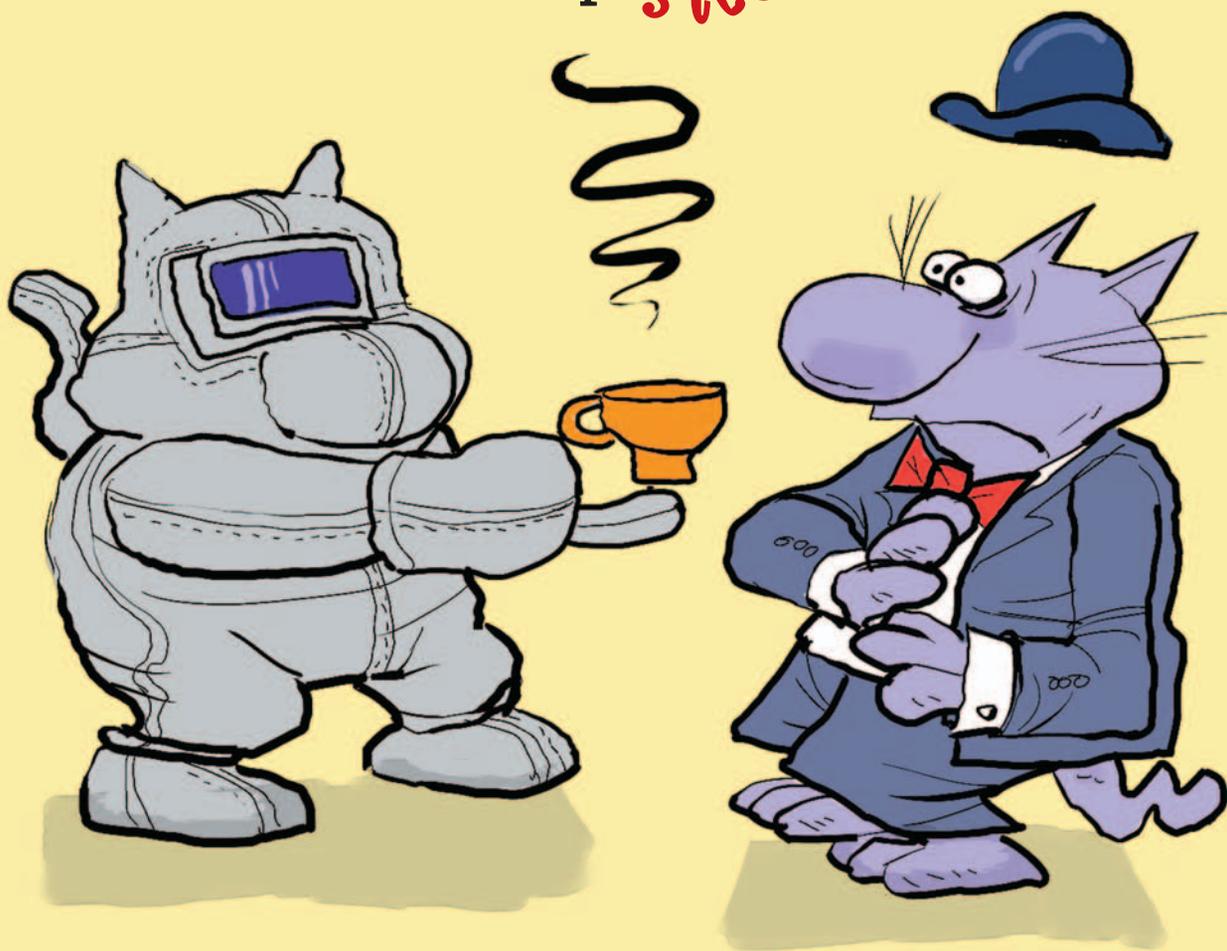
Synonyms sometimes
will tell us degree.



Pick **Warm,**

hot,

or **steaming**



When you describe tea.

They give us

*alternatives,
substitutes,
choices,*





and help give our stories
more interesting voices!

Exit and leave,

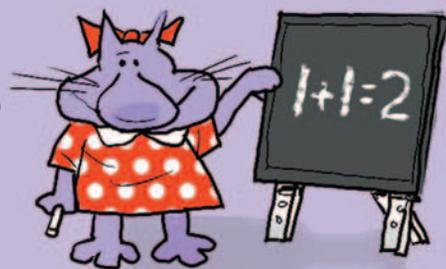


lie and deceive,



funny and somewhat amusing.

Easy and simple,



a blemish or pimple



just make up your mind
and start choosing!



Fast and quick,



ill and sick,



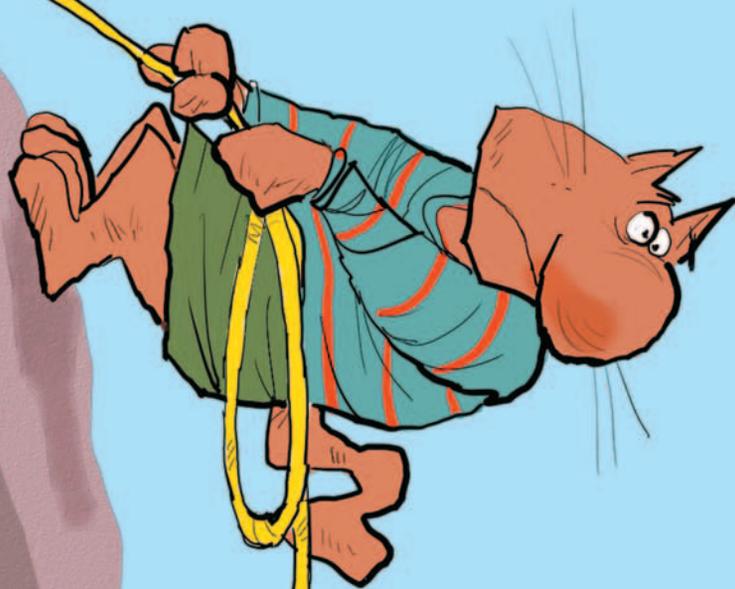
a greenback, a buck,
or a dollar.

Synonyms give you
selection and choice.



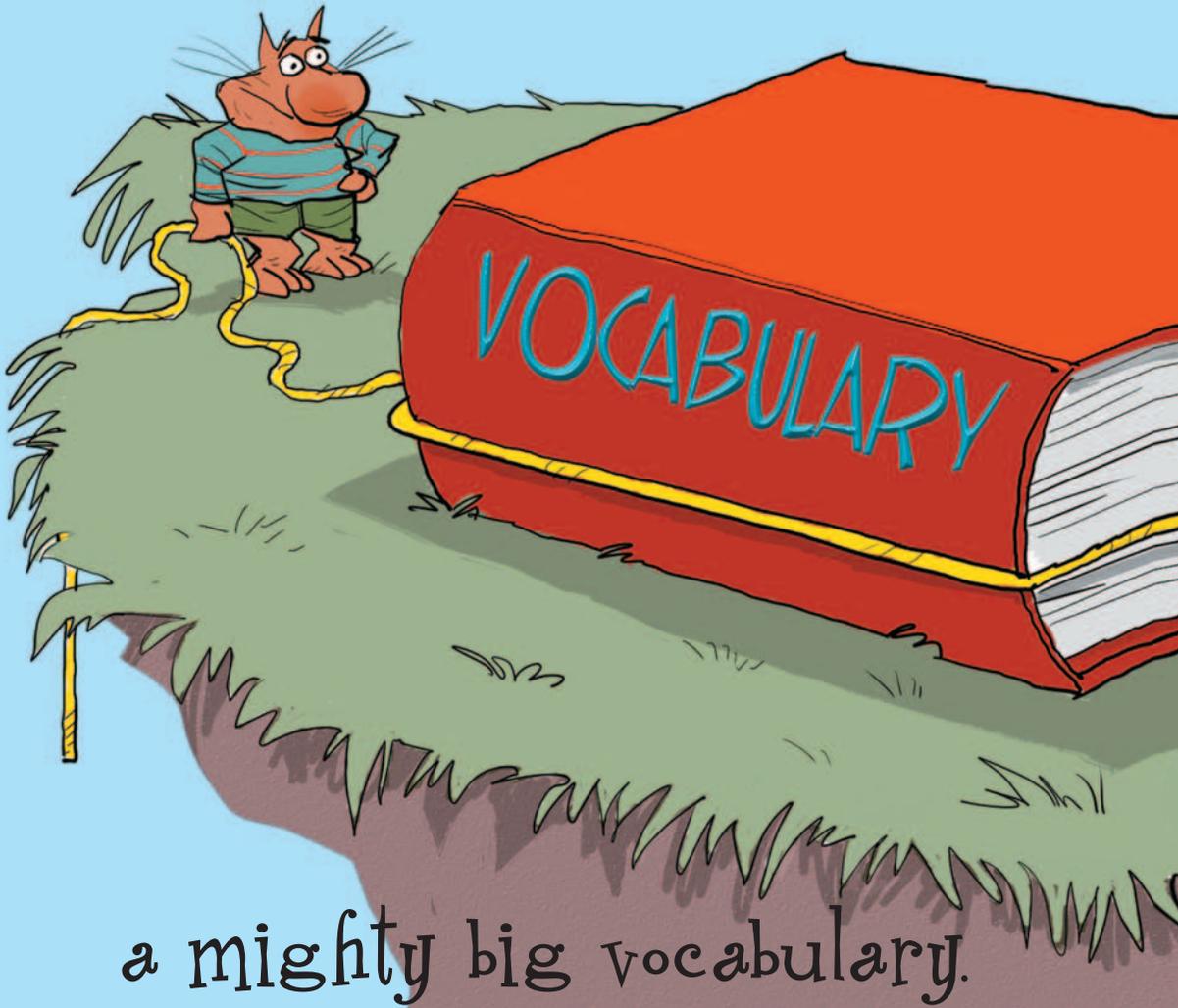
They make you sound
just like a scholar.

So pick among **difficult**,
hard, or **demanding**.



It needn't be
frightening
or **scary**.

Synonyms can help you
to **get** or **procure**



a mighty big vocabulary.

Now go make your writing
compelling,

exciting,

thrilling

you might **brag** or **boast.**

One day, you'll fill bleachers,
When speaking to teachers—



So, what is a Synonym?

Do you know?







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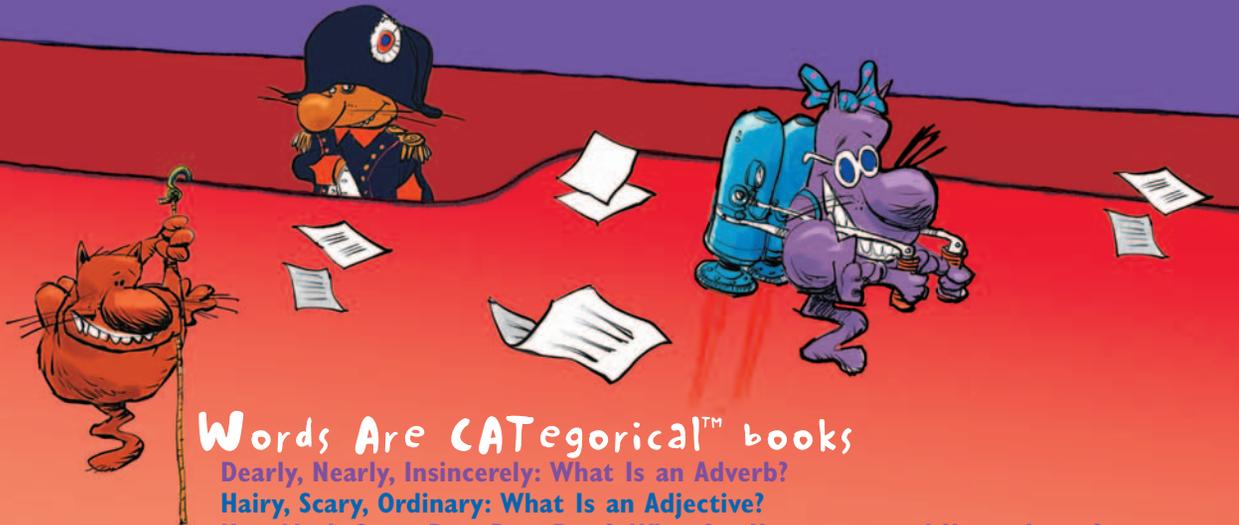
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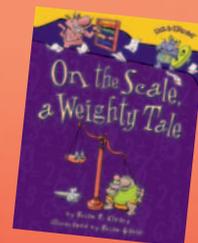
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