

# HOMONYM, SYNONYM OR ANTONYM

**Purpose:** Students will retrieve cards with two words and classify them as homonym, synonym or antonym.

**Suggested Grade Level:** 3 - 5

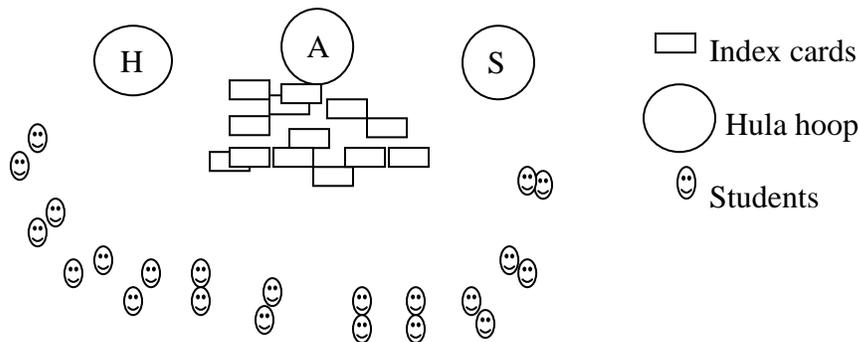
**Language Arts SOL:** Reading 3.4, 4.4, 5.4

## **Equipment/Materials Needed:**

1. Three hula hoops
2. Label for each hoop: homonym, synonym, antonym (see attached)
3. Approximately 60 index cards (see attached).

## **Advance Preparation:**

1. Write on index cards – 2 words per card. (vanished/appeared, support/hold, four/for, etc.)
2. Place all 60 index cards in the middle of the playing area.
3. Place the 3 hula hoops on the perimeter of the playing area.



## **Directions:**

1. Tell students they will be working on homophones, synonyms and antonyms.
2. Explain that they will be placed in pairs.
3. Tell them they will take turns with their partner moving to the center of the playing area and retrieving a card, then bringing it back to their partner.
4. When they return, have students show their partner the card and decide together if the two words are homophones, antonyms or synonyms.
5. Explain to students that once they agree, the same partner that retrieved the card takes it to its corresponding hoop and returns back to their partner.
6. Tell students that they will continue to take turns with their partner until all cards are gone.
7. Take students to each hoop to check the work of the entire class or place cards on a document camera according to the category and see if there are any that are incorrect.

## **Teaching Suggestions:**

1. Review each term prior to the activity and have students give examples.
2. Remind students that partners need to wait until the other partner has placed the card in the corresponding hoop and returned prior to taking their turn.

### **Modifications/added activities**

1. Do synonyms and antonyms.
2. Have students crabwalk or do a different form of movement.
3. Have students waiting for their partner participating in an exercise while they wait.

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# Homonyms

(Words that sound the same)

**wait**  
**weight**

**walk**  
**wok**

**toe**  
**tow**

**toon**  
**tune**

**tied**  
**tide**

**to**  
**too**

**toad**  
**towed**

**threw**  
**through**

**their**  
**they're**

**steal**  
**steel**

**stair**  
**stare**

**stake**  
**steak**

**break**  
**brake**

**sew**  
**so**

**sea**  
**see**

**road**  
**rode**

**role**  
**roll**

**prince**  
**prints**

**poor**  
**pour**

**muscle**  
**mussel**

**mustard**  
**mustered**

**missed**  
**mist**

**mach**  
**mock**

**made**  
**maid**

**main**  
**mane**

**know**  
**no**

**hour**  
**our**

# Synonyms

(Words with same/similar meanings)

**taxi**  
**cab**

**cry**  
**sob**

**chair**  
**seat**

**plate**  
**dish**

**friend**  
**pal**

**cool**  
**chilly**

**loud**  
**noisy**

**sleep**  
**snooze**

**begin**  
**start**

**cut**  
**clip**

**late**  
**tardy**

**laugh**  
**giggle**

**error**  
**mistake**

**rich**  
**wealthy**

**enemy**  
**foe**

**center**  
**middle**

**children**  
**kids**

**damp**  
**wet**

**harm**  
**hurt**

**hurry**  
**rush**

**choose**  
**pick**

**save**  
**keep**

**hope**  
**wish**

**ship**  
**boat**

**shove**  
**push**

**smile**  
**grin**

**throw**  
**toss**

# Antonyms

(Words with opposite meanings)

**loud**  
**quiet**

**long**  
**short**

**give**  
**take**

**wet**  
**dry**

**best**  
**worst**

**laugh**  
**cry**

**weak**  
**strong**

**for**  
**against**

**smile**  
**frown**

**question**  
**answer**

**summer**  
**winter**

**same**  
**different**

**open**  
**closed**

**fast**  
**slow**

**push**  
**pull**

**old**  
**young**

**hard**  
**easy**

**always**  
**never**

**rich**  
**poor**

**buy**  
**sell**

**lead**  
**follow**

**night**  
**day**

**freeze**  
**thaw**

**warm**  
**cool**

**stop**  
**go**

**yes**  
**no**

**empty**  
**full**