

## Synonym Rush Answer Key

### Sample Synonyms:

1. **Happy:** joyful, glad, delighted, cheerful, pleased
2. **Angry:** mad, furious, enraged, irritated, annoyed
3. **Scared:** afraid, terrified, frightened, alarmed, nervous
4. **Run:** sprint, dash, race, jog, hurry
5. **Intelligent:** smart, clever, bright, wise, brilliant
6. **Peaceful:** calm, tranquil, serene, quiet, restful

### Teacher's Guide

- **Purpose:** This activity encourages **active vocabulary recall**, helping students expand their synonym banks through **speed and category-based thinking**.
- **Differentiation Tips:**
  - For **younger learners**, provide visual prompts (emoji faces or action pictures) for each round.
  - For **older students**, introduce time limits or require all synonyms to fit a specific tone (formal/informal).
- **Engagement Ideas:**
  - Turn it into a **team competition** - one point per valid synonym.
  - Use a **"Last Word Standing"** format: students take turns giving synonyms until someone repeats or hesitates.
- **Extension Activities:**
  - Challenge advanced students to use three of their synonyms in original sentences.
  - Create a **"Synonym Wall"** in the classroom where students add new words they discovered during the game.