

Synonyms And Register Answer Key

Sample Responses:

- 1 → The teacher **asked** that all homework be turned in on time.
- 2 → I **obtained** a new job at the library last week.
- 3 → The manager **ended** the contract after several warnings.
- 4 → Can you **loan** me your pencil for a second? (*formal tone*)
- 5 → The scientist **looked at** the strange-looking plant carefully.
- 6 → We **purchased** some snacks before the movie started.
- 7 → The mayor **said** a plan to improve public transportation was coming.
- 8 → My little brother **ruined** his art project with too much glue.
- 9 → The judge **thought about** all the evidence before making a ruling.
- 10 → The coach **instructed** the players to stay focused during practice.

Teacher's Guide

- **Purpose:** This worksheet helps students understand **register and tone**, teaching them how **synonyms can shift formality** to fit the audience and purpose of writing or speech.
- **Differentiation Tips:**
 - For **younger learners**, use simpler examples and model tone changes orally ("said" vs. "announced").
 - For **advanced learners**, ask students to justify why their synonym better fits a formal or informal context.
- **Engagement Ideas:**
 - Play "**Formal or Friendly?**" - students decide which version fits a school essay, job interview, or text message.
 - Let pairs act out both formal and casual versions of a sentence to explore tone changes through voice and expression.
- **Extension Activities:**
 - Have students write a short paragraph in formal tone, then "remix" it to sound informal.
 - Encourage them to create a synonym chart showing common tone shifts (e.g., *buy* → *purchase*, *help* → *assist*).