



# Choosing Effective Vocabulary



1. Read the following sentences. Can you complete them using a different synonym to the one given in brackets?

- a) Farron was very (nosey) \_\_\_\_\_ ; she had a good rummage in the box of stationery supplies when the teacher wasn't looking.
  
- b) Tinkerbell felt very (awkward) \_\_\_\_\_ when Peter Pan told Wendy she couldn't fly without using pixie dust.
  
- c) Tony visited the cinema (often) \_\_\_\_\_ as he really enjoyed seeing the newly released films.

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## 1. Suggestions for Synonyms:

- a) nosey - curious, inquisitive, interested
- b) often - frequently, regularly, repeatedly
- c) uncomfortable – uneasy, awkward, unbearable



## 2. Suggestions for Antonyms:

- a) sufficient – insufficient, inadequate, deficient
- b) successful – unsuccessful, defeated, failed
- c) familiar – unfamiliar, different, unknown