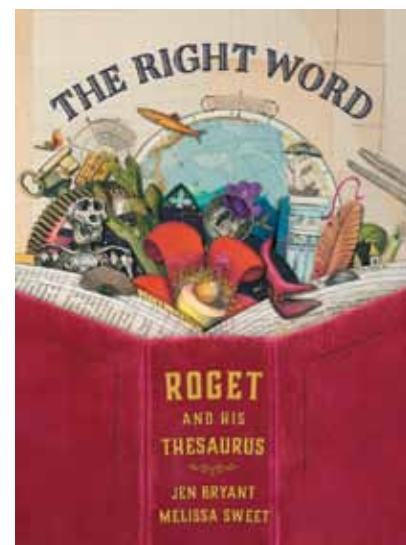


# Using the Thesaurus

## Descriptive Word List

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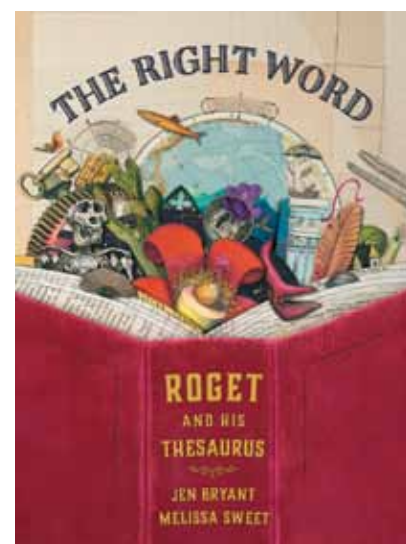


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## EXAMPLE:

**Selected Word:** BOY

**Name of Thesaurus:** Webster's Dictionary and Thesaurus

**Page Number:** 512

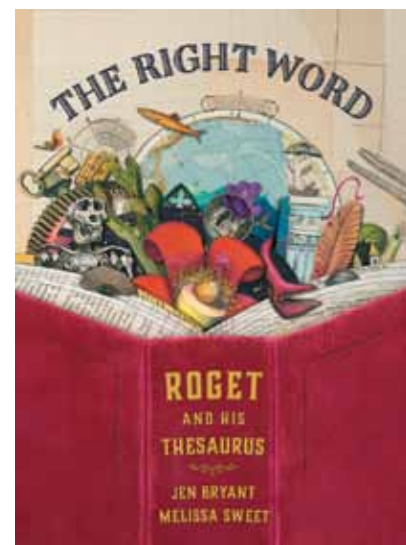
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**Favorite Synonyms:** cub, fellow, junior, kid, whippersnapper, youngster

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# Research Tools

When Peter Mark Roget was young he liked to create lists. One of his first lists was that of the names of animals in Latin with their English meanings. He would have needed a Latin textbook to help him create this list.

This chart lists some important research tools and their functions.

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## Which tool do you think would best help with the stated task?

1. Discovering the distance between England and Italy \_\_\_\_\_
2. Reading about the life of Noah Webster \_\_\_\_\_
3. Finding a synonym for the word "good" \_\_\_\_\_
4. Looking up the meaning of the word "kaleidoscope" \_\_\_\_\_
5. Learning how to say "thank you" in French \_\_\_\_\_
6. Looking up the author of the book *Frankenstein* \_\_\_\_\_
7. Determining which county has less rainfall: France or Sweden  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. Finding out the year Antarctica was discovered \_\_\_\_\_
9. Locating the capital of France \_\_\_\_\_
10. Establishing who lived longer: Queen Victoria or Napoleon Bonaparte  
\_\_\_\_\_



# Who's the Author?

Peter Mark Roget was a remarkable person who spent much of his life making word lists.

He put these words into categories and wrote the first thesaurus, a book of words and their synonyms.

- Each letter in the grid has its own two-digit number.
- The first number is the column in which the letter can be found.
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- Example: 24 represents the letter B.

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**The complete title for Roget's Thesaurus is:**

*Thesaurus of English Words and Phrases, Classified and Arranged so as to Facilitate the Expression of Ideas and Assist in Literary Composition (1852)*

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