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- 1 Work in pairs or trios. Find and write down up to five nouns, five verbs, and five adjectives from the passage that interest you.

NOUNS	VERBS	ADJECTIVES

- 2 With your partner(s), choose at least five words from the above. Use a paper or electronic dictionary to find as many possible synonyms as you can for each chosen word. Decide which possible synonyms work in the passage, which do not work, and which ones are uncertain.

WORDS	SYNONYMS	OK	NO	?

- 3 Share your list with another team. Compare the words each team has chosen. Also, compare the possible synonyms and judgments. Probably, the two teams' lists will not be exactly the same. Help each other agree on which synonyms really work in each list. When two or more synonyms both seem okay, is there any small difference between them? Talk about why some synonyms are in the dictionary but do not work in the passage.

Note some good examples here.
