ALL SUMMER IN A DAY

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## **Vocabulary Strategy**

## **USE THE BEST SYNONYM**

A **synonym** is a word with the same, or nearly the same, meaning as another word. Not all synonyms mean exactly the same thing. You must choose the word that has the best shade of meaning for the sentence context.

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- **A. Directions:** Choose the word from the box that is the synonym for the underlined word in each sentence.
  - 1. Ian was doubtful about the upcoming class trip to Washington.
  - **2.** He was expecting his friends, Michael and Juan, to make a smart <u>comment</u> when he suggested that they postpone the trip.
  - **3.** The boys were best friends but also  $\underline{\text{competitors}}$  with each other at the same time.
  - **4.** One day, the boys took a <u>walk</u> through the woods, where they saw a bridge.
  - **5.** The bridge seemed big from afar.
  - **6.** This <u>tranquil</u> sight seemed to put them at ease with each other.
- **B. Directions:** One the line, write the synonym that best complements the meaning of the sentence.
  - **7.** An entire pride of lions growled \_\_\_\_\_\_ as we drove into the preserve.
    - **a.** fiercely
- **b.** wildly

- c. angrily
- **8.** The beautiful sunset was so \_\_\_\_\_\_ that we wanted to take a picture of it.
  - **a.** brilliant
- **b.** bright

**c.** colorful

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