

Replacing Overused Words



Refer to this list when you want to replace an overused word with a specific, interesting one.

make: build, construct, erect, manufacture, assemble, concoct,

devise, produce, form, fashion, create, originate, invent

said: told, stated, claimed, declared, mentioned, referred,

remarked, recited, announced, notified, gossiped, whispered,

yelled, hollered, hissed, spoke, lectured, gabbed

see: note, notice, observe, perceive, distinguish, discover, discern,

detect, spot, behold, regard, picture

go: advance, move, continue, leave, travel, depart, proceed, pass,

progress, budge, stir

do: perform, finish, complete, enact, act, achieve, commit,

execute, effect, perpetrate

lots: many, numerous, plentiful, countless, various, bountiful,

innumerable, abundant, profuse

great: noble, exalted, mighty, notable, distinguished, eminent

got: received, earned, won, acquired, obtained, gathered, retrieved

fine: superior, excellent, splendid, superb, terrific

every: common, familiar, frequent, regular, routine

nice: courteous, friendly, kind, pleasant, amiable, cordial;

see also good

fun: enjoyable, exciting, fantastic, wonderful, marvelous, joyous,

terrific, splendid, incredible

very: incredibly, fantastically, wonderfully, marvelously,

extraordinarily, extremely, quite

good: satisfactory, adequate, alright, acceptable, valid, useful;

see also nice

then: Use sequencing words and phrases such as first, second, third;

first, next, then, last; before, after; afterwards; later; after

a while; by and by: later on; subsequently; finally; lastly;

at long last

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