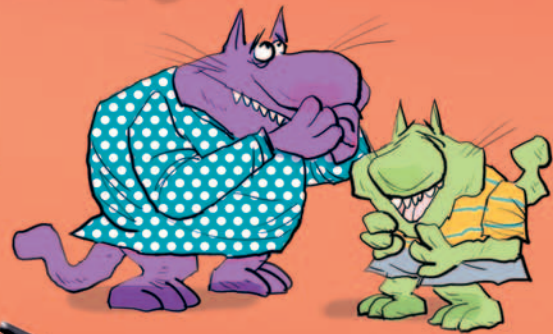


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## More about Synonyms

One book is never enough to explore the wide range of synonyms! The **crazy** and **zany** cats deliver loads of additional examples to illustrate the power of synonyms to make writing **superb** or **terrific**.

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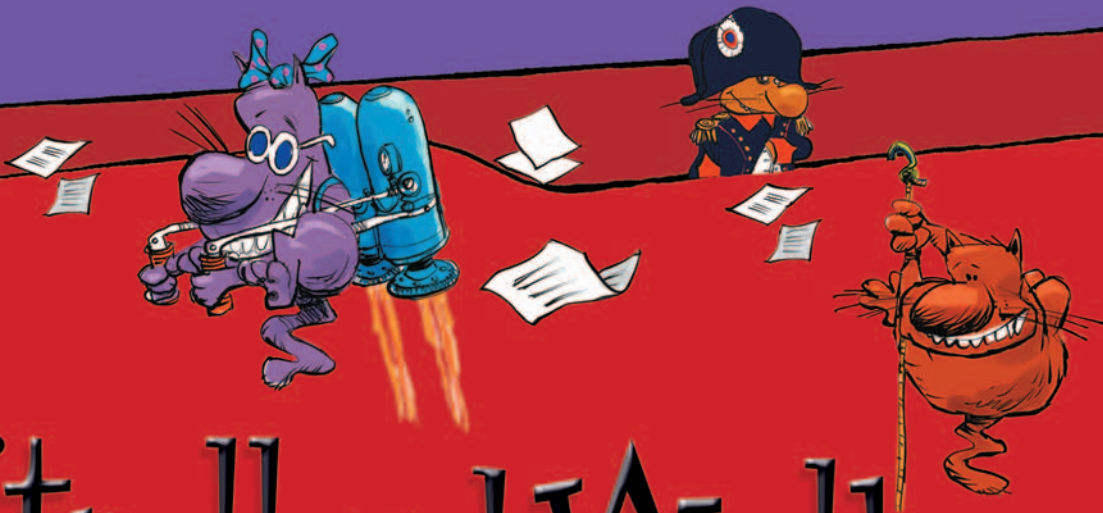
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For Mike and Sue Cleary—my first teachers  
—B.P.C.





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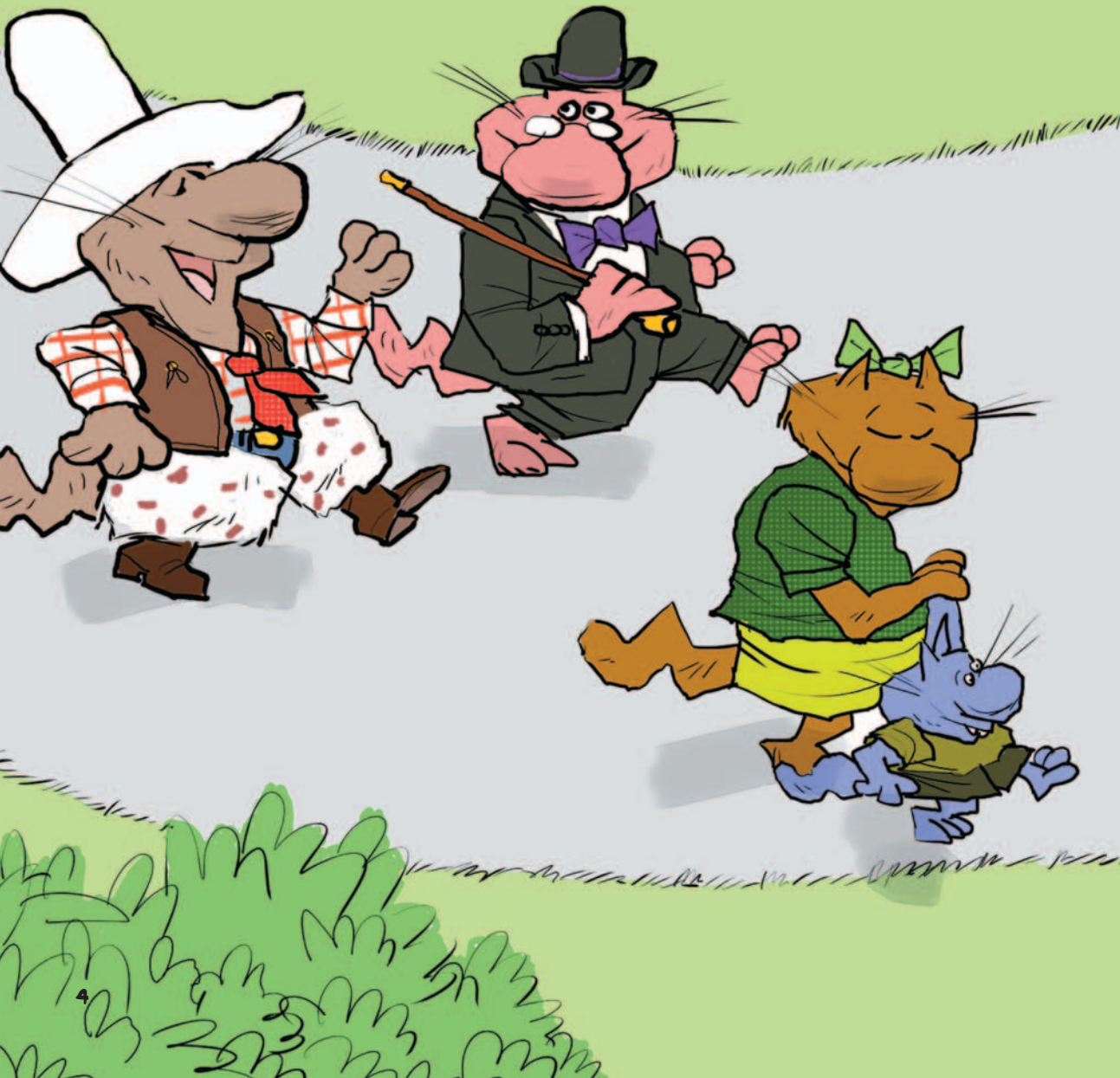
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Whether you're moseying,  
strolling, or walking,



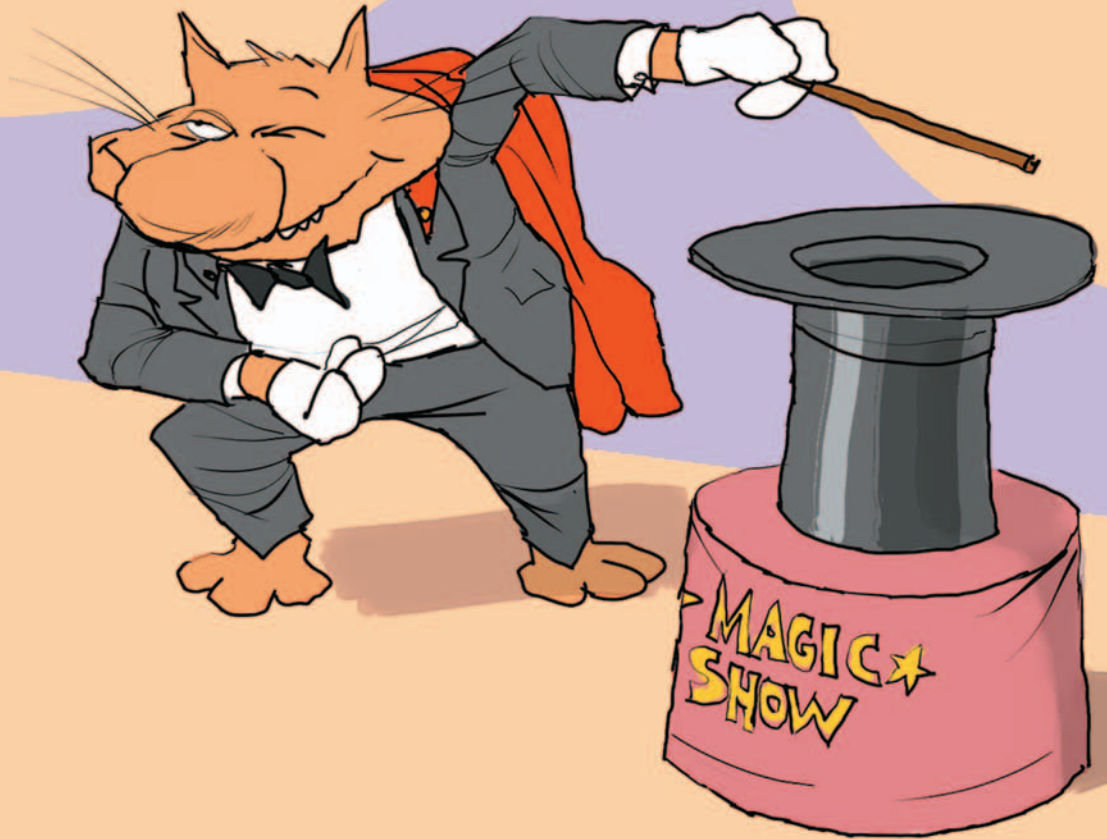
babbling,

chattering,

mumbling, or talking,



Synonyms help us  
select the right word,



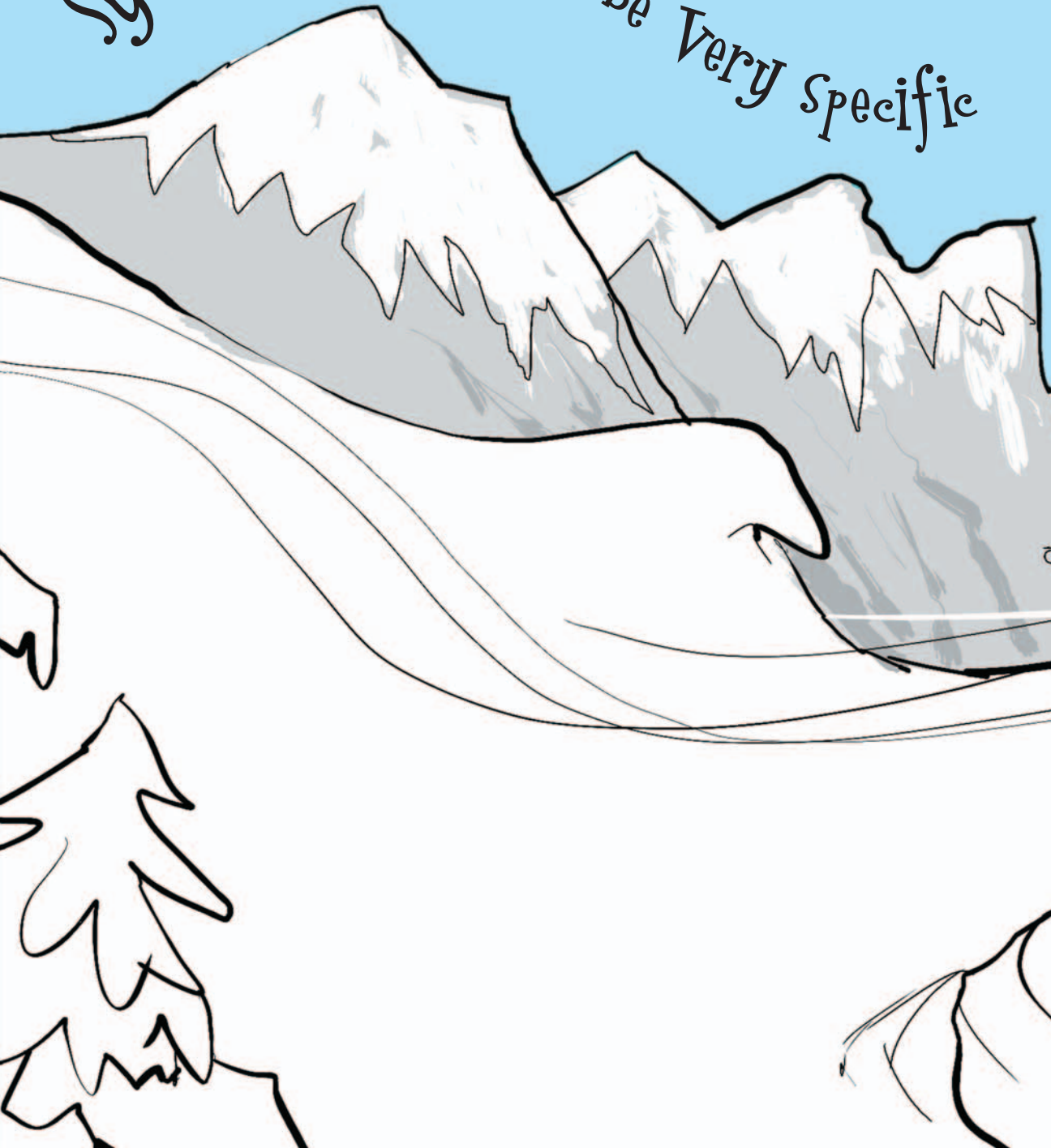
as in *sly* or *clever*,



strange  
or absurd.

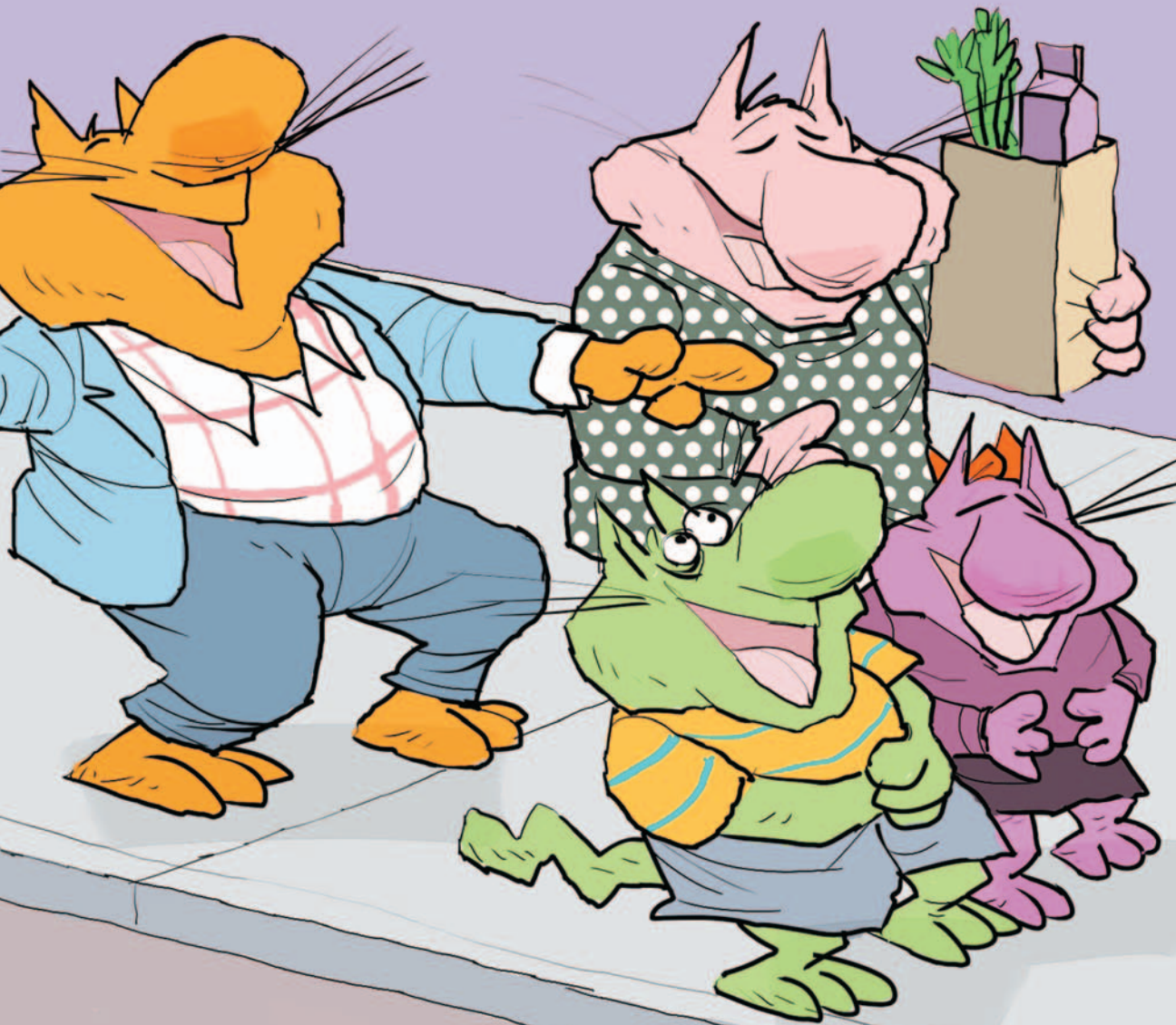


*Synonyms let us be Very Specific*



and say what we mean,  
like **superb** or **terrific**.





Your options for words  
will quadruple—plus half—

When you start to use  
all the words

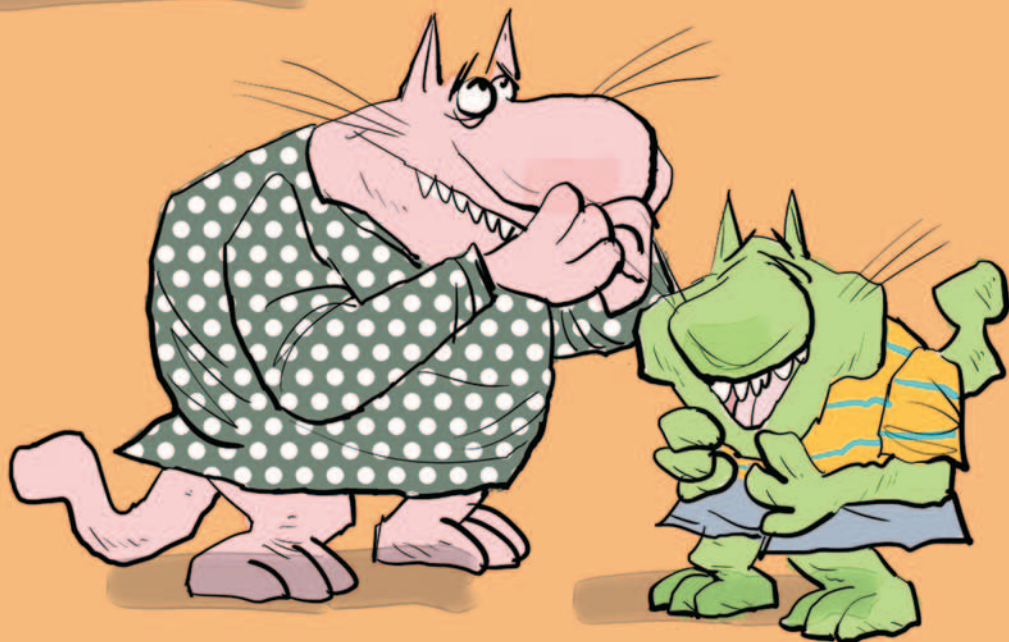


that mean **laugh.**

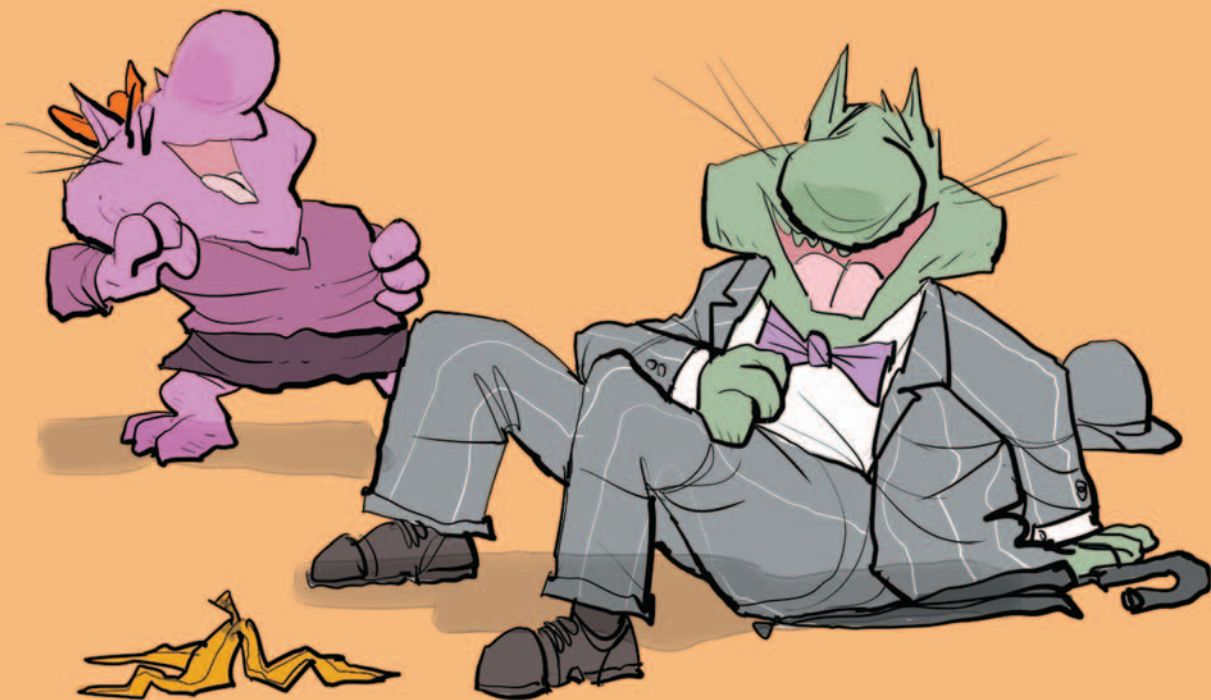
Try giggle



and snicker



and *chuckle* and *chortle*—



You get to choose what works best!

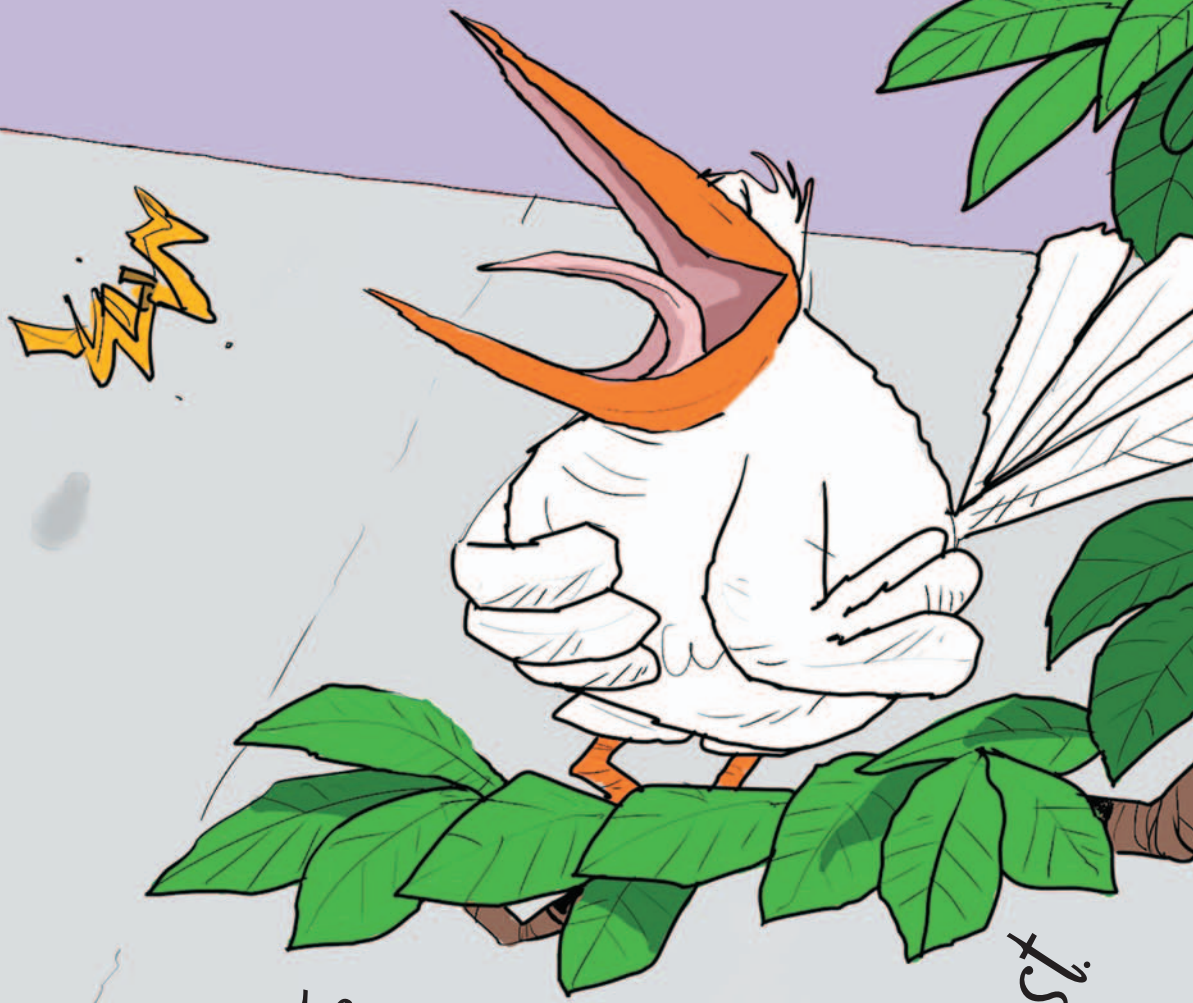


You might prefer **crack up**,





and (just as a backup)



You may think that **cackle** has zest.

Each Synonym has quite a similar meaning,



like **washing**  
and **scouring**,



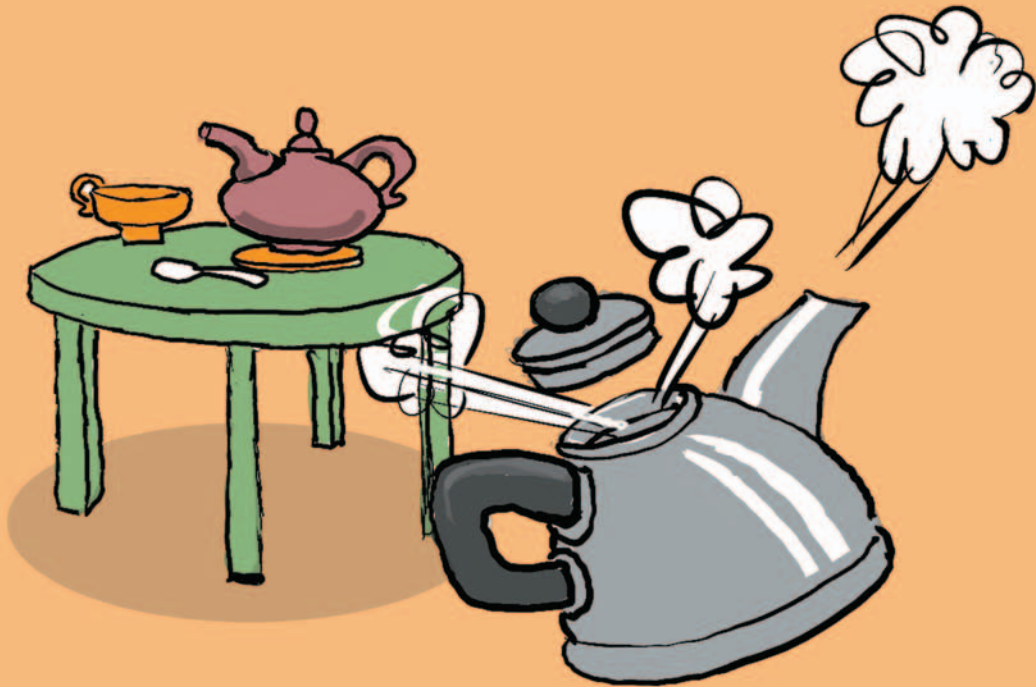


scrubbing

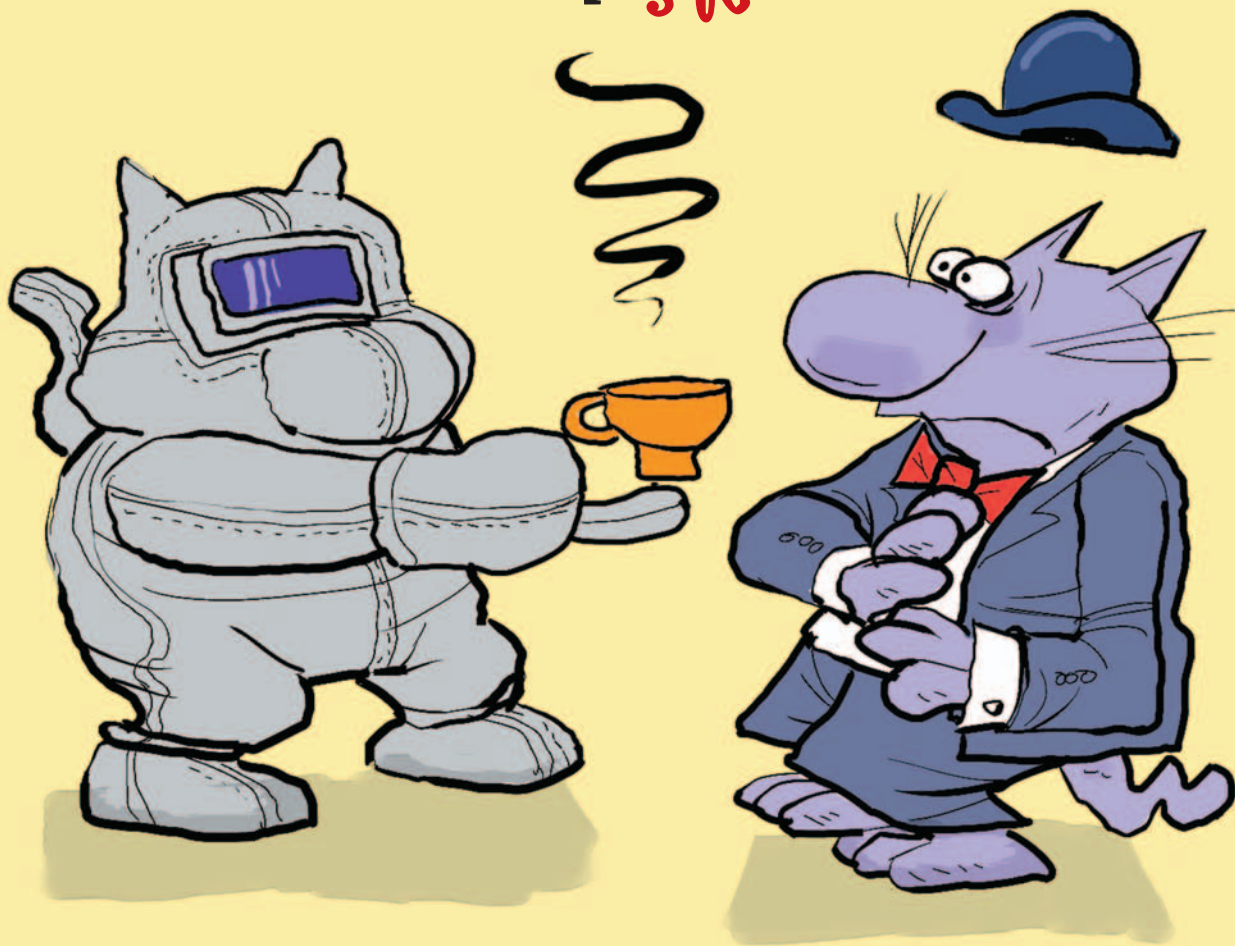


and cleaning.

Synonyms sometimes  
will tell us degree.



Pick **Warm,**  
**hot,**  
or **steaming**

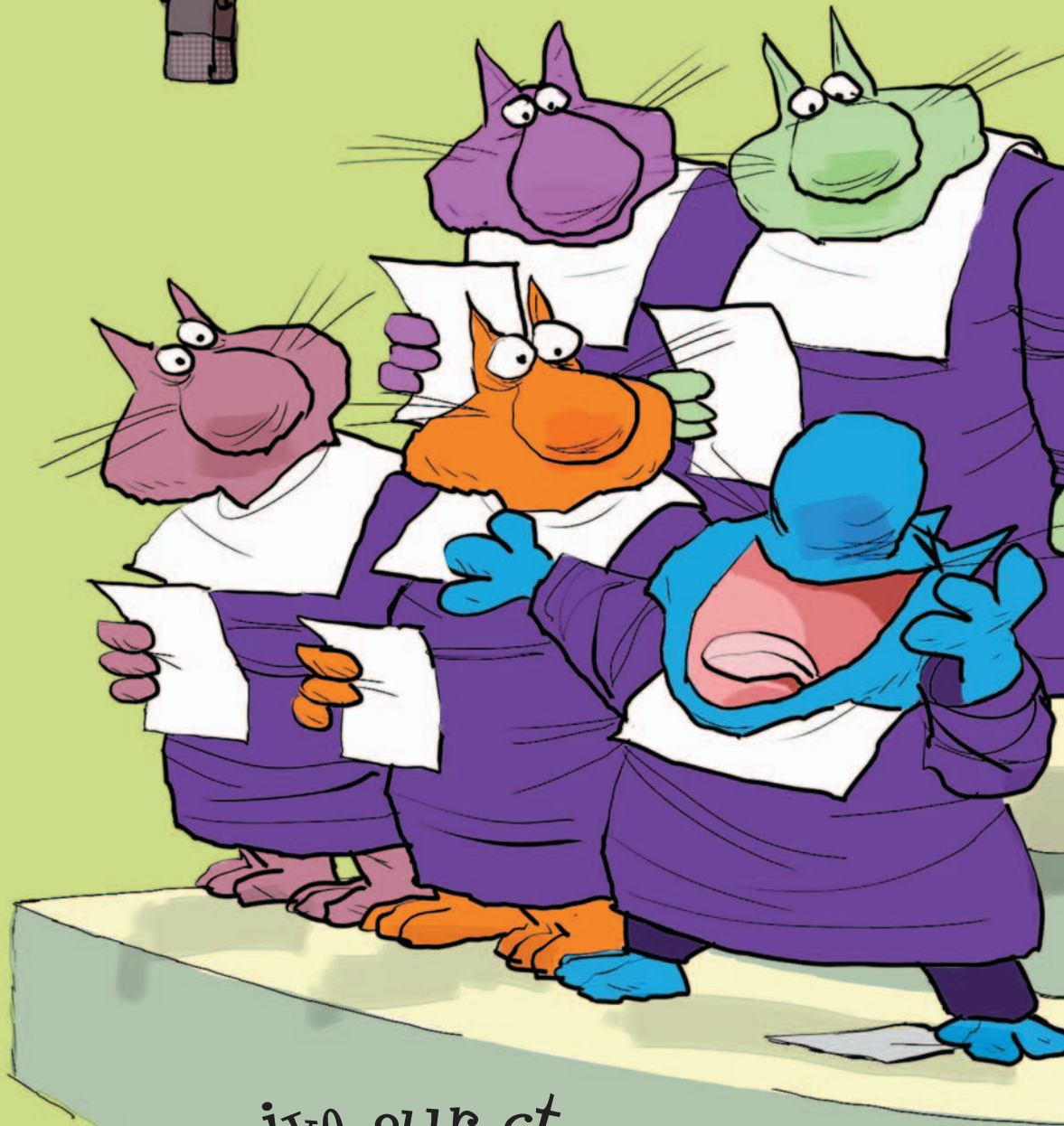


When you describe tea.

They give us

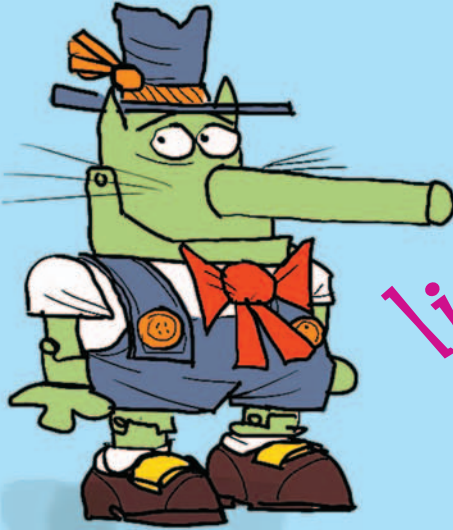
*alternatives,  
substitutes,  
choices,*





and help give our stories  
more interesting voices!

Exit and leave,



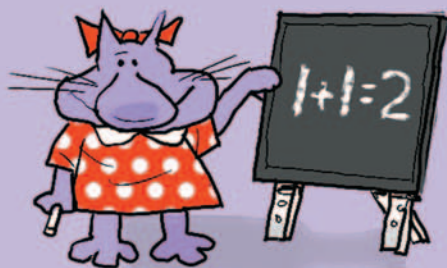
lie and deceive,



funny and somewhat amusing.



Easy and simple,



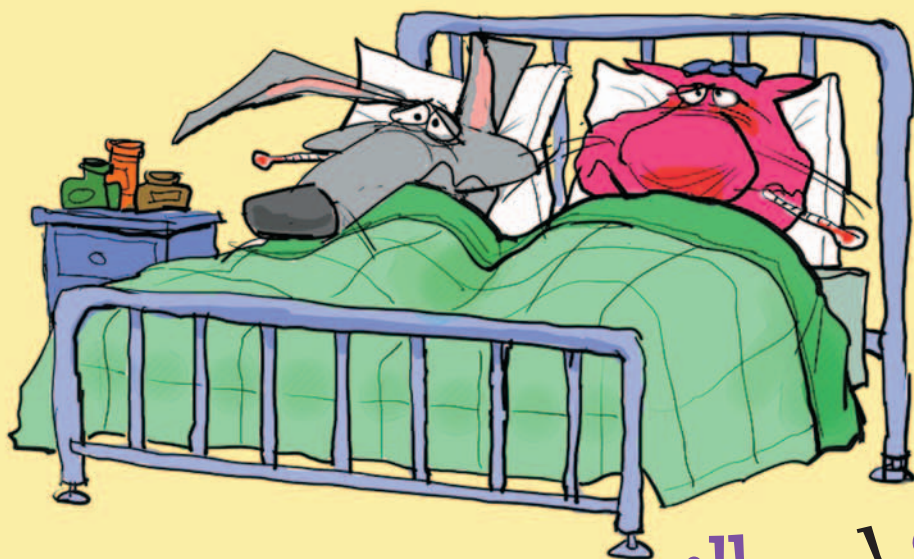
a blemish or pimple



just make up your mind  
and start choosing!



Fast and quick,



ill and sick,



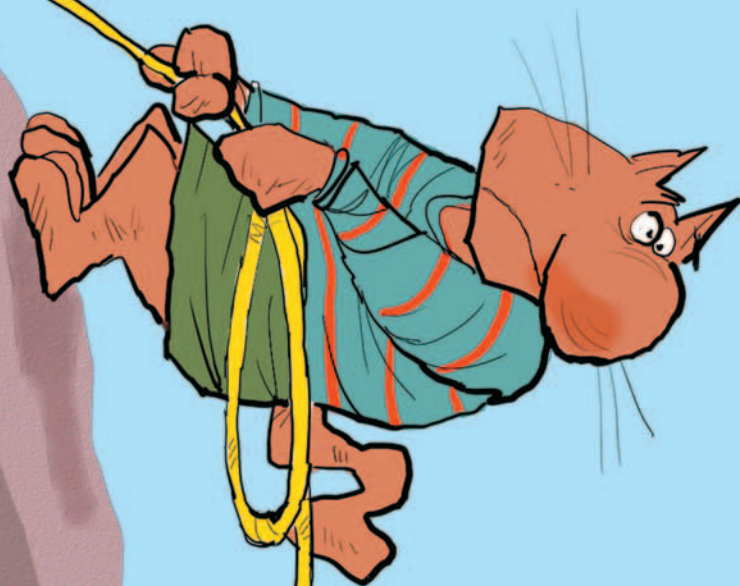
a greenback, a buck,  
or a dollar.

Synonyms give you  
selection and choice.



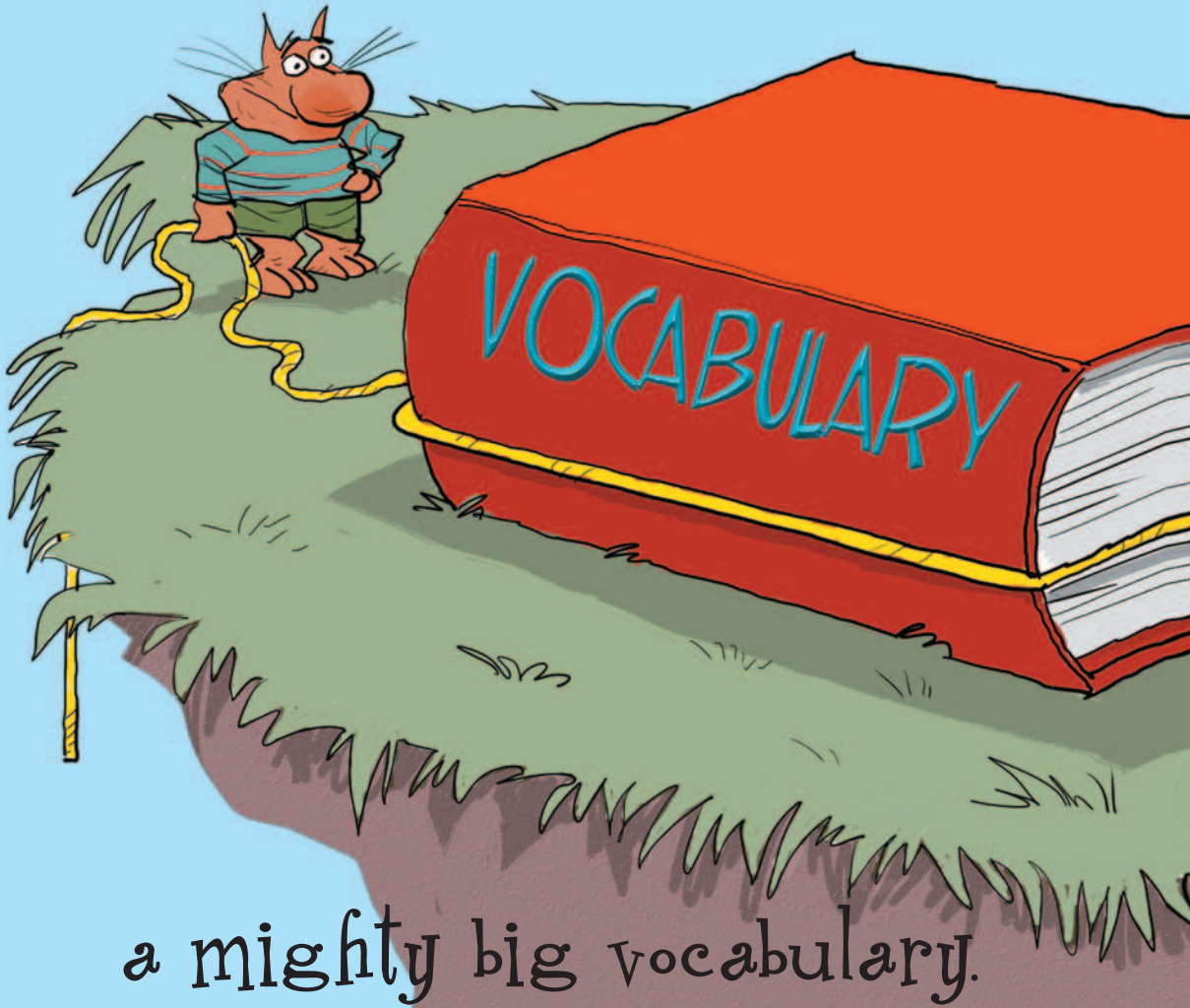
They make you sound  
just like a scholar.

So pick among **difficult**,  
**hard**, or **demanding**.



It needn't be  
**frightening**  
or **scary**.

Synonyms can help you  
to **get** or **procure**



a mighty big vocabulary.

Now go make your writing  
**compelling,**

**exciting,**

**thrilling**

you might **brag** or **boast.**

One day, you'll fill bleachers,  
When speaking to teachers—



So, what is a Synonym?

Do you know?









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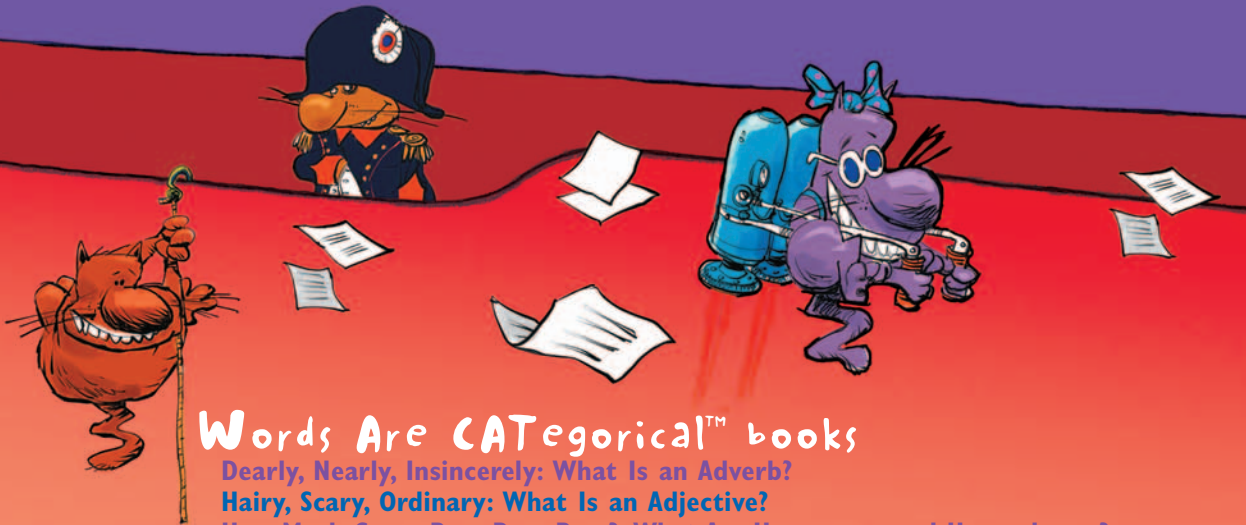
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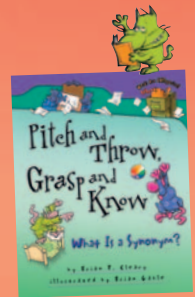
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