

Shades of Meaning

Grade 3 Vocabulary Worksheet

In each row, write 2 similar words in order from weakest to strongest.

Words can have similar meanings but different strengths.

fantastic	frightened	whisper	limp	vast	
defend	great	terrible	sprint	shield	
run	huge	mutter	terrified	crawl	dreadful

big	_____	_____
scared	_____	_____
bad	_____	_____
good	_____	_____
stroll	_____	_____
guard	_____	_____
talk	_____	_____
walk	_____	_____

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