

Alien Thesaurus

By getting children

to explore different ways of saying something, they should enjoy writing more themselves and become better at communicating with their readers. Discuss possible alternative ways of saying 'slow' or 'evil' before your child picks their favourite.

What to do...

1. Write your own alien thesaurus!

A thesaurus gives us words which mean the same thing as a word we know but are more unusual or better ways to say it.

- 2. Choose five words from the list below to describe an alien.
- **3.** Draw a picture of that alien so that it matches the words you picked. It can just be a sketch you don't have to spend long on it. You can also choose your own descriptive words if you prefer.
- **4.** Write these words in alphabetical order.
- **5.** For each word, think of one or even two other words that mean the same thing. So if your alien is 'big' you might also write down 'large' and 'gigantic'.



slow nervous

fast