

Try not to use the word **big** too often in your writing. Some possible synonyms are listed below under broad categories of meaning.

### **big in size, amount etc.**

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colossal	great	massive
considerable	huge	sizeable
enormous	humungous ( <i>infml</i> )	spacious
extensive	immense	vast
gigantic	mammoth	

### **a big person or creature**

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bulky	hefty	stocky
burly	large	tall
giant	muscular	well-built

### **someone or something important**

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eminent	main	serious
famous	momentous	significant
important	principal	well-known
influential	prominent	

### **kind, considerate, etc. behaviour or acts**

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generous	gracious	magnanimous	unselfish
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In the following article, there are suggestions for how synonyms might be used to avoid repeating **big**.

## The Daily News

Yesterday was a ~~big~~ *momentous* day for the town of Hillgrove. ~~Big~~ *Enormous* crowds turned out for the return of the local boy Darren Songster who is ~~big~~ *famous* in pop music. The ~~big~~ *burly* man, who grew up in the ~~big~~ *sprawling* suburb of Sunnymeadow was delighted by the ~~big~~ *massive* reception. 'It is very ~~big~~ *generous* of people to come out to welcome me,' he announced. 'I have travelled to many ~~big~~ *huge* cities and attended ~~big~~ *important* events but it is always a ~~big~~ *huge* pleasure to come home.'

Try writing a newspaper article about some important event. Use as many different words as you can instead of **big**.