Adjective Shades of Meaning

Adjectives are words that describe and give us more information about nouns (people, places or things). Different adjectives have different effects, even if their meaning is similar, so it is important to choose carefully.

E.g. The boy was worried.

The boy was petrified.

These are called 'shades of meaning' and we can represent them using colours, like this. The stronger the colour, the stronger the meaning.

worried nervous	scared	terrified	petrified
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Here are some more adjectives from 'Roman Rescue'. Use a thesaurus to help you add shades of meaning.

	small	
	happy	
	painful	
		ancient

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Choose some adjectives of your own and create shades of meaning cards for them.				
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Adjective Shades of Meaning **Answers**

Example Answers

short	petite	small	tiny	minuscule
smiling	pleased	һарру	overjoyed	ecstatic
aching	sore	painful	agonising	excruciating
worn	old	aged	historical	ancient

Challenge!

Children's own responses.