Using a Thesaurus

When you want to find a new word to replace a word that you already know you can look in a thesaurus. Words which are different but have similar meanings are called synonyms e.g. pretty, attractive, good looking.

Use a thesaurus to find the word underlined and replace it with an appropriate synonym.

- 1. Jack did an excellent piece of work at school on Monday.
- 2. The teacher was **exhausted** after the first day at school.
- 3. The **flower** had a lovely smell.
- 4. The dog was very **quick** as it chased the cat.
- 5. I am going to release the bird tonight.
- 6. The blue coat was really **expensive** but the balck one was quite **cheap**.
- 7. Mr Harrison is extremely intelligent.
- 8. Please be **careful** when you cross the road.
- 9. Sarah found herself in a **strange** place.
- 10. It was a very **ordinary** day when the aliens suddenly landed.

Now find at least four synonyms for the following words,

beautiful, ugly, old, expensive and cheap.