

## LEVEL 2 WORD LIST

### UNIT FOUR

Word / Phrase	Part of Speech	Phonetic Spelling	Definition	Sample Sentence
accident	noun [count]	/ˈæksɪdənt/	a crash involving a car, train, plane, or other vehicle	They had a car accident.
according to	preposition	/əˈkɔrdɪŋ ˌtu/	used for saying where information or ideas have come from	According to the weather forecast, it will rain tomorrow.
active	adjective	/ˈæktɪv/	taking positive action in order to make something happen, rather than just hoping that it will happen	Most people are good at active listening.
advice	noun [noncount]	/ədˈvaɪs/	an opinion that someone gives you about the best thing to do in a particular situation	My teacher gave me some useful advice.
agree	verb	/əˈɡri/	to have the same opinion as someone else	Do you agree with this writer?
almost certainly	adverb	/ˈɔlməʊst ˈsɜrt(ə)nli/	almost, but not completely	The answer is almost certainly yes.
amazing	adjective	/əˈmeɪzɪŋ/	very surprising	That's amazing!
appropriate	adjective	/əˈprəʊpɪət/	suitable or right for a particular situation or purpose	Answer any questions and make any appropriate suggestions.
awesome	adjective	/ˈɔsəm/	spoken; used for showing that you are very happy about something	"I just passed my driving test." "Awesome."
bakery	noun [count]	/ˈbeɪk(ə)ri/	a building where bread, cake, etc. is made or sold	The bread is made in the local bakery.
be associated with	phrase	/ˌbi əˈsəʊʃi,etɪd wɪð/	to be connected with something in some way	How did fortune cookies become associated with Chinese food?
be joking	phrase	/ˌbi ˈdʒəʊkɪŋ/	to say something that is not true in order to see if someone will believe you, so that you can laugh about it	"I won the lottery!" "You're joking!"
body language	noun [noncount]	/ˈbɒdi ˌlæŋɡwɪdʒ/	the movements or positions of your body that show other people what you are thinking or feeling	Good listeners use "interested" body language.
bored	adjective	/bɔrd/	feeling impatient or dissatisfied because you are not interested in something, or because you have nothing to do	I knew he wasn't listening because he had a bored facial expression.
celebrity	noun [count]	/səˈlebrəti/	a famous person, especially in entertainment or sports	I saw lots of celebrities at the movie premiere.
chop suey	noun [count]	/ˌtʃəp ˈsui/	a Chinese meal consisting of meat cut into long, thin pieces with vegetables	I ordered chop suey at the Chinese restaurant.
closed	adjective	/klaʊzd/	when a door, window, lid, etc. is covering an open area, passage, or hole	His arms were folded, so he was using "closed" body language.



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concert	noun [count]	/'kɒnsərt/	an event at which an orchestra, band, or musician plays or sings in front of an audience	I was so disappointed when I didn't get tickets for the concert.
confused	adjective	/kən'fjuzd/	unable to understand something or think clearly about it	I'm confused. Can you say that again, please?
conversation	noun [count]	/,kɒnvər'seɪʃ(ə)n/	a talk between two or more people, usually private and informal	In a ten-minute conversation with your boss, parents, or friends, they really listen to you for only two and a half to five minutes.
dessert	noun [count]	/dɪ'zɜrt/	sweet food that you eat after the main part of a meal	I love sweet foods, so I always have dessert in restaurants. I love ice cream.
develop	verb	/dɪ'veləp/	to improve your abilities, skills, or knowledge	Active listening is one of the most important skills you can develop.
disagree	verb	/,dɪsə'ɡri/	to have an opinion that is different from the opinion that another person has	"I think reality shows are boring." "I disagree. I think they are interesting."
disappointed	adjective	/,dɪsə'pɔɪntɪd/	unhappy because something that you hoped for or expected did not happen, or because someone or something was not as good as you expected	I was so disappointed when I didn't get tickets for the concert.
driver	noun [count]	/'draɪvər/	someone who drives a vehicle	My brother is a bad driver. He goes too fast.
embarrassed	adjective	/ɪm'berəst/	ashamed of something and worried about what other people will think of you	I just hit my teacher's car. I'm so embarrassed.
exhausted	adjective	/ɪɡ'zɔstəd/	extremely tired and without enough energy to do anything else	Have you ever been to dance classes before? They make you really exhausted.
experience	noun [count]	/ɪk'spɪəriəns/	something that happens to you or a situation that you are involved in	What was your biggest life-changing experience?
expression	noun [count]	/ɪk'spreʃ(ə)n/	a look on someone's face that shows what their thoughts or feelings are	I could tell he wasn't listening because he had a bored facial expression.
eye contact	noun [noncount]	/'aɪ ,kəntækt/	a situation in which two people look at each other's eyes	It is important to make eye contact in job interviews.
facial	adjective	/'feɪʃ(ə)l/	on your face	Your facial expressions show what you are thinking.
fail	verb	/feɪl/	to be unsuccessful when you try to do something	I'm so unhappy because I just failed my driving test.
feeling	noun [count]	/'fiɪlɪŋ/	an emotional state, for example, anger or happiness	My father doesn't like showing his feelings.
find	verb	/faɪnd/	to discover something or to locate where it is by searching for it	I found some money under the sofa.
focus	verb	/'fəʊkəs/	to concentrate on something and pay particular attention to it	When you are listening to someone, stop what you're doing and focus on the speaker.



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fold your arms	phrase	/ˌfould jər 'ɑrmz/	to cross one arm or hand over the other	The student folded her arms when she was being interviewed by the teacher.
forget	verb	/fər'get/	to stop thinking, worrying, or caring about something or someone	We usually laugh at the fortunes in fortune cookies, leave them on our plates, and then forget about them.
fortunate	adjective	/'fɔrtʃənət/	used about a situation or event that is lucky for you	It was fortunate that you were home when I called.
fortune cookie	noun [count]	/'fɔrtʃ(ə)n kuki/	a hard, thin Chinese cookie that has a piece of paper inside with a message about your future on it	I laughed at the fortune in my fortune cookie!
get	verb	/get/	to obtain, receive, or be given something	My sister just got a promotion at work.
have	verb	/hæv/, /əv/, or /həv/	used for saying that something happens to you or you experience something	I have a bad cold.
horoscope	noun [count]	/'hɔrə'skoup/	a description of someone's character and the likely events in their life that is based on astrology (=the position of the stars and the date they were born)	I always read my horoscope.
horrible	adjective	/'hɔrəb(ə)l/	very unpleasant	I've never felt so scared before! It was horrible!
ignore	verb	/ɪg'nɔr/	to not consider something or to not let it influence you	Many people ignore the advice given in horoscopes.
immigrant	noun [count]	/'ɪmɪgrənt/	someone who comes to live in a country from another country	It is possible that the custom traveled to California with Japanese immigrants in the 19 <sup>th</sup> Century.
important	adjective	/ɪm'pɔrt(ə)nt/	something that has a major effect on someone or something, for example, because it affects someone's life or the way a situation develops	Have you ever made an important life change?
in common	phrase	/,ɪn 'kɒmən/	to have the same interests or opinions as someone else	Good listeners have a number of things in common.
in general	phrase	/,ɪn 'dʒen(ə)rəl/	as a whole, without giving details	In general, my life has been good lately.
interested	adjective	/'ɪntrəstəd/	wanting to know about or take part in something	Good listeners also use verbal techniques to indicate that they are interested in what the other person is saying.
interesting	adjective	/'ɪntrəstɪŋ/	something that makes you want to know about it or take part in it	"I'm studying philosophy." "How interesting!"
introduce	verb	/,ɪntrə'dus/	to bring something into existence or use for the first time	Use a phrase to introduce your opinion.
invention	noun [count]	/ɪn'venʃ(ə)n/	a machine, tool, or system that someone has made, designed, or thought of for the first time	Fortune cookies may be an American invention.
lately	adverb	/'leɪtli/	within the recent past	How have things been lately?



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lean	verb	/lin/	to move your body so it is closer to or further from someone or something, for example, by bending at the waist	When you are interested in what someone is saying, you lean a little bit towards the speaker.
literature	noun [noncount]	/'lit(ə)rətʃər/	books or other printed information about a subject	There have been many references to fortune cookies in Japanese literature.
lose	verb	/luːz/	to be unable to find someone or something	I lost my wallet last night.
lottery	noun [count]	/'lɒtəri/	a game designed to raise money by selling lottery tickets that people buy, hoping that their numbers are chosen by chance in the draw so that they win a money prize	If I won the lottery, I'd buy a car.
lucky	adjective	/'lʌki/	bringing you good luck	I have a lucky number.
miss	verb	/mɪs/	to be too late for a train, bus, etc.	I am going to miss the last bus.
money	noun [noncount]	/'mʌni/	the coins and pieces of paper that you can use to pay for things	I found some money in my coat pocket.
noise	noun [count]	/nɔɪz/	a sound	I heard a strange noise outside.
non-verbal	adjective	/nɒn'vɜːb(ə)l/	not involving words or speech	Body language is non-verbal communication.
normally	adverb	/'nɔːm(ə)li/	in most situations or cases	We normally find fortune cookies in Chinese restaurants.
obtain	verb	/əb'teɪn/	to get something that you want or need, especially by going through a process	When we are obtaining information, we don't listen to everything.
obviously	adverb	/'ʌbvɪəsli/	used for emphasizing that you know people already know or understand what you are talking about	Fortune cookies obviously come from China, right?
occurrence	noun [count]	/ə'kʊrəns/	something that happens	I had a lucky occurrence last year.
open	adjective	/'oʊpən/	used about someone who is honest and does not keep things secret	He uses a lot of open gestures when he talks.
opinion	noun [count]	/ə'pɪnjən/	the attitude that you have towards something, especially your thoughts about how good or bad it is	What is your opinion of the movie?
organized	adjective	/'ɔːɡə,naɪzd/	when a person arranges and plans activities carefully and effectively	My brother isn't at all organized.
origin	noun [count]	/'ɔːrədʒɪn/	the place or moment where something begins to exist	What is the origin of the tradition?
personally	adverb	/'pɜːsənəli/	mainly spoken, used for emphasizing that you are giving your own opinion	Personally, I don't think it's a useful idea.
piece	noun [count]	/piːs/	an individual object of a particular type	Fortune cookies have fortunes on pieces of paper inside them.



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popular	adjective	/ˈpɒpjələ/	a popular activity, place, thing, etc. is one that many people like	It is a very popular tradition.
prediction	noun [count]	/prɪˈdɪkʃ(ə)n/	a statement about what you think will happen in the future or the process of making such a statement	Do you believe in horoscope predictions?
promotion	noun [count]	/prəˈmouʃ(ə)n/	a move to a higher level in a company, institution, or sport	I am trying to get a promotion at work.
proud	adjective	/praʊd/	feeling happy about your achievements, your possessions, or people who you are connected with	I feel proud of myself. I passed my driving test!
really	adverb	/ˈrɪəli/	very or very much	She looked really happy.
receive	verb	/rɪˈsɪv/	to get something that someone gives or sends to you	I received some directions from the garage.
reference	noun [count]	/ˈref(ə)rəns/	a comment that mentions someone or something	There are references to fortune cookies in Japanese literature.
relationship	noun [count]	/rɪˈleɪʃ(ə)n,ʃɪp/	the way in which two or more people or groups behave toward, and are involved with, each other	Becoming an active listener can help your social relationships.
remember	verb	/rɪˈmembər/	to bring a fact back into your mind that you knew before	We remember only about 25–50% of what we hear.
researcher	noun [count]	/rɪˈsɜːtʃər/	someone who does research, especially someone who works for a television or movie company collecting relevant facts and ideas	There are many researchers collecting information.
respond	verb	/rɪˈspænd/	to react by doing what is needed, suitable, or right for a particular situation	He didn't respond when I told him the news.
scared	adjective	/skerd/	frightened or worried	My sister is scared of flying.
similar	adjective	/ˈsɪmɪlər/	things that share some qualities, but are not exactly the same	Has a prediction from a fortune cookie, horoscope, or a similar source ever come true for you?
similarly	adverb	/ˈsɪmɪləli/	used for showing that two ideas are related or connected	People really listen to you for only two and a half to five minutes. Similarly, when we are getting information, we don't listen to everything.
skill	noun [count]	/skɪl/	the ability to do something well, usually as a result of experience and training	Active listening is a skill you can develop.
speaker	noun [count]	/ˈspɪkər/	someone who is talking	Make eye contact with the speaker.
suggestion	noun [count]	/səgˈdʒestʃ(ə)n/	an idea or plan that you offer for someone to consider	Can you make a suggestion?
surprising	adjective	/sərˈpraɪzɪŋ/	unusual or unexpected	A surprising number of people have won lottery money with numbers from fortune cookies!
technique	noun [count]	/tekˈnɪk/	a method of doing something using a special skill that you have developed	Use verbal and non-verbal techniques.



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test	noun [count]	/test/	a set of written or spoken questions used for finding out how much someone knows about a subject. A test is less formal than an exam	I hope I don't fail the end-of-year test.
theory	noun [count]	/'θiəri/	one or more ideas that explain how or why something happens	There are two theories about where fortune cookies came from.
thrilled	adjective	/θrɪld/	very pleased and excited	I was thrilled when I won the lottery.
travel	verb	/'træv(ə)/	to spread from one place to another in a way that affects or influences a lot of people	The custom traveled to California.
uncomfortable	adjective	/ʌn'kʌmfərtəb(ə)/	feeling embarrassed or nervous	I've never met my girlfriend's mom before. I feel a little uncomfortable.
unfortunately	adverb	/ʌn'fɔrtʃənətli/	used for saying that something is sad or disappointing	Unfortunately, most people are not very good at listening actively.
verbal	adjective	/'vɜrb(ə)/	using words or relating to words	Use verbal and non-verbal techniques to show you are listening.
win	verb	/wɪn/	to get something as a prize for defeating other people or because you are lucky	I won a competition in the local newspaper.
wonder	verb	/'wʌndər/	to think about something because you want to know more facts or details about it	Have you ever wondered where fortune cookies started?

## USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

Useful Expressions	Topic / Category	Sample Sentence
I (really) disagree with statement ... because ...	Expressing agreement and disagreement	I really disagree with statement 2 because rich people don't seem to be happy.
I agree with statements ... and ...	Expressing agreement and disagreement	I agree with statements 1 and 3.
Statement ... is true for me because ...	Expressing agreement and disagreement	Statement 4 is true for me because I'm very competitive.