



# 150 Writing Task 2 IELTS Vocabulary (PDF) to get Band 8

In this article, I'll talk about 150 Writing task 2 IELTS Vocabulary that will help you get band 8 or above in your IELTS test. But at first, we need to know why vocabulary is so important in the IELTS test.

## Why do you need to build vocabulary for the IELTS exam?

There are lots of people out there promising shortcuts and hacks for the IELTS exam, but you won't be able to get a high score with a low vocabulary level. In writing tasks 1, 2 and in IELTS Speaking your vocabulary makes up **25%** of your score. That means a quarter of your score goes to vocabulary. That is why vocabulary is so important for IELTS Writing task 1 and 2, as well as for your Speaking.

These 150 writing task 2 IELTS vocabulary will help you to score a high band in your IELTS test. So instead of using common words, try to use these high-level words in your Writing and Speaking test.

Commonly used Words or Sentence	High-Level Words
Keep	Store
Feel Unhappy	Become disappointed, disappointed
Refresh	Restore, Rejuvenate
Make happen faster	Accelerate
Send out	Emit
Begin	Commence
Go to school	Attend School
Receive education	Acquire an education

Force	Oblige, Compel, Impose
Want	Intend to, Plan to
Put up	Install
Try	Make an effort
Keep eye on	Supervise, Monitor
Pay attention to	Attend
Be keep on, interested in	To be enthusiastic about, show enthusiasm regarding
Love	Show affection towards
Spend time on	Devote, Contribute to
Use	Consume, Utilize, Apply in
Work	Function
Understand	Recognize, Discern, Identify, Interpret, Absorb
Give opinion about	Comment on
Pay for something	Afford
Make up for	Compensate
Say	Argue, maintain, Claim.
Suggest	Recommend, Pose
Move toward	Approach
Think	Assume
Take advantage, be useful	Benefit
To have something	Possess
To be able to use something	To have access to something
Make up of something	Consist of something
Make up	Constitute, Involve, Comprise
Explain	Justify
Test	Assess

Open something, set up	Establish, Found
Show	Indicate, Illustrate, Demonstrate, Reveal
Make rule	Legislate
Happen	Occur
Remove forward	Proceed, Propel, Inspire
Need	Require
Ask for	Demand, Request
Do research	Conduct, carry out, undertake
Say yes	Accept, approve, admit
Answer	Respond, reply
Make	Structure, form, construct
Change	Alter, vary
Do something successfully	Achieve, fulfill, attain
Get	Gain, acquire, become, obtain
Do	Administer
Put into categories	Categorize, classify
Help	Assist
To end something, finish	Conclude, terminate, adjourn
Calculate the value, judge	Evaluate
Look for	Seek
Choose	Select, adopt
To live	Reside
Believe	Perceive
To move to	Transfer
Buy	Purchase
To control something	Regulate
Combine, match	Coordinate, aggregate

Help	Coordinate, provide aid
Communicate	Interact
Limit, control	Constrain
Write	Correspond
Capitalize on something	Emphasize, highlight
Make sure	Ensure
Fill	Occupy, obsess
Depend on	Rely on
No have in something	Exclude, remove
Help with money	Finance, provide financial support
Provide money for something	Fund, sponsor
Have something in something	Contain
Find the place	Locate
Print	Publish
Write your name in classes	Register, enroll
Make able	Enable
Make larger	Expand
Make something (electricity)	Generate, manufacture
Become familiar with	Orientate
Say no	Reject, refuse
Replace	Substitute
Give example	Illustrate
Say for	Mention, aforementioned
Not give attention to	Ignore
Slow down something	Inhibit, prevent
To get rid of, escape	Dispose of
Delete, cross out	Eliminate

To add something to something	Insert
Separate	Isolate
Pile up	Accumulate
Make clear	Clarify
Discover	Detect
Make less	Reduce, minimize
Live	Dwell
Stop	Cease
Continue to exist	Persist
Dig	quarry
Do business	Commerce
Use something a lot	Overuse
Say formally	Announce, express
To connect in mind	Associate
Solve	Tackle, handle, approach the problem
Make better	Improve, promote
Keep in mind	Retain
Say before it happens	Predict, forecast
Change to fit	Adjust, modify
Worsen	Compound, exacerbate
Talk to somebody	Consult
Change gradually	Evolve
Leave open to, not to protect	Expose
Make easy	Facilitate
Follow	Pursue
Keep on	Continue, sustain
Thank somebody	Acknowledge

Connect, join	Attach
Grow	Enhance, increase, rise
To tell somebody how to do something	Instruct
Go forward	Advance
Introduce new ideas	Innovate
Forbid	Prohibit
To stay alive	Survive
To go with somebody	Accompany
Value	Appreciate
Obey	conform to
To show publicly	Exhibit
To give room	Accommodate
Make certain	Assure
Act against, not obey	Violate
Face	encounter, confront
Use wrongly	misuse, abuse
Buy and sell	Trade
To put in order	to prioritize
To encourage to grow	Stimulate
Copy	imitate, replicate
To gather something	compile, accumulate, collect
Crooked	bent, twisted, hooked, zigzag
Cry	shout, yell, scream, roar
Dull	boring, uninteresting, unimaginative, lifeless, listless
Eager	keen, enthusiastic, involved, interested
Mischievous	playful, naughty, sportive

Neat	clean, orderly, tidy, shapely
Part	portion, share, piece, fragment
Strange	peculiar, unusual, unfamiliar, curious, unique
Teachers	tutors, educators, instructors
Irrelevant	useless, meaningless, trivial
Humble	meek, respectful, submissive
Qualified	competent, suited, capable
Old	feeble, ancient, aged
Catch	seize, hold, capture