

Vocabulary Topic



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# Appliances

CD, noun

a digitally encoded recording on an optical disk that is smaller than a phonograph record; played back by a laser

DVD, noun

a digital recording (as of a movie) on an optical disk that can be played on a computer or a television set

TV, noun

an electronic device that receives television signals and displays them on a screen

camera, noun

equipment for taking photographs (usually consisting of a lightproof box with a lens at one end and light-sensitive film at the other)

clock, noun

a timepiece that shows the time of day

computer, noun

a machine for performing calculations automatically

cooker, noun

a utensil for cooking

electric, adj

using or providing or producing or transmitting or operated by electricity

electric current

electricity, noun

energy made available by the flow of electric charge through a conductor

they built a car that runs on electricity

fridge, noun

a refrigerator in which the coolant is pumped around by an electric motor

gas, noun

a fossil fuel in the gaseous state; used for cooking and heating homes

heating, noun

utility to warm a building

lamp, noun

a piece of furniture holding one or more electric light bulbs

laptop, noun

a portable computer small enough to use in your lap

mobile phone, adj

portable telephone

phone, noun

electronic equipment that converts sound into electrical signals that can be transmitted over distances and then converts received signals back into sounds

radio, noun

a communication system based on broadcasting electromagnetic waves

telephone, noun

electronic equipment that converts sound into electrical signals that can be transmitted over distances and then converts received signals back into sounds

I talked to him on the telephone

television, noun

a telecommunication system that transmits images of objects (stationary or moving) between distant points

video, noun

a recording of both the visual and audible components (especially one containing a recording of a movie or television program)

# Buildings

apartment, noun

a suite of rooms usually on one floor of an apartment house

city block, noun

a rectangular area in a city surrounded by streets and usually containing several buildings

bookshop, noun

a shop where books are sold

castle, noun

a large building formerly occupied by a ruler and fortified against attack

cathedral, noun

the principal Christian church building of a bishop's diocese

church, noun

a place for public (especially Christian) worship

the church was empty

cinema, noun

a theater where films are shown

clinic, noun

a medical establishment run by a group of medical specialists

club, noun

a spot that is open late at night and that provides entertainment (as singers or dancers) as well as dancing and food and drink

college, noun

a complex of buildings in which an institution of higher education is housed

cottage, noun

a small house with a single story

gallery, noun

a room or series of rooms where works of art are exhibited

guesthouse, noun

a house separate from the main house; for housing guests

hospital, noun

a health facility where patients receive treatment

hotel, noun

a building where travelers can pay for lodging and meals and other services

house, noun

a dwelling that serves as living quarters for one or more families

he has a house on Cape Cod

kiosk, noun

small area set off by walls for special use

library, noun

a building that houses a collection of books and other materials

mosque, noun

(Islam) a Muslim place of worship that usually has a minaret

museum, noun

a depository for collecting and displaying objects having scientific or historical or artistic value

office, noun

place of business where professional or clerical duties are performed

palace, noun

a large and stately mansion

police station, noun

the building where the police work

prison, noun

a correctional institution where persons are confined while on trial or for punishment

ruin, noun

a building in an irrecoverable state of devastation and destruction

they explored several Roman ruins

school, noun

a building where young people receive education

the school was built in 1932

shop, noun

a mercantile establishment for the retail sale of goods or services

he bought it at a shop on Cape Cod

stadium, noun

a large structure for open-air sports or entertainments

store, noun

a mercantile establishment for the retail sale of goods or services

a depository for goods

supermarket, noun

a large self-service grocery store selling groceries and dairy products and household goods

theatre, noun

a building where theatrical performances or motion-picture shows can be presented

tower, noun

a structure taller than its diameter; can stand alone or be attached to a larger building

university, noun

a large and diverse institution of higher learning created to educate for life and for a profession and to grant degrees

# Clothes

T-shirt, noun

a close-fitting pullover shirt

backpack, noun

a bag carried by a strap on your back or shoulder

belt, noun

a band to tie or buckle around the body (usually at the waist)

blouse, noun

a top worn by women

boot, noun

footwear that covers the whole foot and lower leg

bra, noun

an undergarment worn by women to support their breasts

button, noun

a round fastener sewn to shirts and coats etc to fit through buttonholes

cloth, noun

artifact made by weaving or felting or knitting or crocheting natural or synthetic fibers

collar, noun

a band that fits around the neck and is usually folded over

costume, noun

the attire worn in a play or at a fancy dress ball

he won the prize for best costume

dress, noun

a one-piece garment for a woman; has skirt and bodice

earring, noun

jewelry to ornament the ear; usually clipped to the earlobe or fastened through a hole in the lobe

fashion, noun

the latest and most admired style in clothes and cosmetics and behavior

glasses, noun

optical instrument consisting of a frame that holds a pair of lenses for correcting defective vision

glove, noun

handwear: covers the hand and wrist

handbag, noun

a container used for carrying money and small personal items or accessories (especially by women)

handkerchief, noun

a square piece of cloth used for wiping the eyes or nose or as a costume accessory

hat, noun

headdress that protects the head from bad weather; has shaped crown and usually a brim

jacket, noun

a short coat

jewellery, noun

an adornment (as a bracelet or ring or necklace) made of precious metals and set with gems (or imitation gems)

laundry, noun

garments or white goods that can be cleaned by laundering

leather, noun

an animal skin made smooth and flexible by removing the hair and then tanning

lipstick, noun

makeup that is used to color the lips

make-up, noun

cosmetics applied to the face to improve or change your appearance

old-fashioned, adj

out of fashion

pants, noun

underpants worn by women

pattern, noun

a decorative or artistic work

perfume, noun

a toiletry that emits and diffuses a fragrant odor

pocket, noun

a small pouch inside a garment for carrying small articles

pullover, noun

a sweater that is put on by pulling it over the head

raincoat, noun

a water-resistant coat

shirt, noun

a garment worn on the upper half of the body

shoe, noun

footwear shaped to fit the foot (below the ankle) with a flexible upper of leather or plastic and a sole and heel of heavier material

shorts, noun

trousers that end at or above the knee

silk, noun

a fabric made from the fine threads produced by certain insect larvae

animal fibers produced by silkworms and other larvae that spin cocoons and by most spiders

size, noun

the property resulting from being one of a series of graduated measurements (as of clothing)

he wears a size 13 shoe

skirt, noun

a garment hanging from the waist; worn mainly by girls and women

sleeve, noun

the part of a garment that is attached at the armhole and that provides a cloth covering for the arm

suit, noun

a set of garments (usually including a jacket and trousers or skirt) for outerwear all of the same fabric and color

they buried him in his best suit

sweater, noun

a crocheted or knitted garment covering the upper part of the body

sweatshirt, noun

cotton knit pullover with long sleeves worn during athletic activity

swimsuit, noun

tight fitting garment worn for swimming

tights, noun

skintight knit hose covering the body from the waist to the feet worn by acrobats and dancers and as stockings by women and girls

umbrella, noun

a lightweight handheld collapsible canopy

underwear, noun

undergarment worn next to the skin and under the outer garments

uniform, noun

clothing of distinctive design worn by members of a particular group as a means of identification

wool, noun

a fabric made from the hair of sheep

# Colours

black, adj

being of the achromatic color of maximum darkness; having little or no hue owing to absorption of almost all incident light

black leather jackets

blue, adj

of the color intermediate between green and violet; having a color similar to that of a clear unclouded sky

October's bright blue weather

brown, adj

of a color similar to that of wood or earth

dark, adj

devoid of or deficient in light or brightness; shadowed or black

sitting in a dark corner

gold, adj

having the deep slightly brownish color of gold

the gold dome of the Capitol

green, adj

of the color between blue and yellow in the color spectrum; similar to the color of fresh grass

a green tree

grey, adj

of an achromatic color of any lightness intermediate between the extremes of white and black

the little grey cells

light, adj

(used of color) having a relatively small amount of coloring agent

light blue

orange, adj

of the color between red and yellow; similar to the color of a ripe orange

pink, adj

of a light shade of red

purple, adj

of a color intermediate between red and blue

red, adj

of a color at the end of the color spectrum (next to orange); resembling the color of blood or cherries or tomatoes or rubies

silver, adj

having the white lustrous sheen of silver

a land of silver rivers where the salmon leap

yellow, adj

of the color intermediate between green and orange in the color spectrum; of something resembling the color of an egg yolk

# Town & City

airport, noun

an airfield equipped with control tower and hangars as well as accommodations for passengers and cargo

bridge, noun

a structure that allows people or vehicles to cross an obstacle such as a river or canal or railway etc.

corner, noun

the intersection of two streets

standing on the corner watching all the girls go by

crossing, noun

a junction where one street or road crosses another

fountain, noun

a structure from which an artificially produced jet of water arises

market, noun

a marketplace where groceries are sold

park, noun

a piece of open land for recreational use in an urban area

they went for a walk in the park

pavement, noun

walk consisting of a paved area for pedestrians; usually beside a street or roadway

playground, noun

yard consisting of an outdoor area for children's play

road, noun

an open way (generally public) for travel or transportation

roundabout, noun

a road junction at which traffic streams circularly around a central island

route, noun

an established line of travel or access

signpost, noun

a post bearing a sign that gives directions or shows the way

square, noun

an open area at the meeting of two or more streets

station, noun

a facility equipped with special equipment and personnel for a particular purpose

he started looking for a gas station

subway, noun

an electric railway operating below the surface of the ground (usually in a city)

tunnel, noun

a passageway through or under something, usually underground (especially one for trains or cars)

the tunnel reduced congestion at that intersection

underground, noun

an electric railway operating below the surface of the ground (usually in a city)

zoo, noun

the facility where wild animals are housed for exhibition

# Countryside

area, noun

a particular geographical region of indefinite boundary (usually serving some special purpose or distinguished by its people or culture or geography)

it was a mountainous area

bay, noun

an indentation of a shoreline larger than a cove but smaller than a gulf

beach, noun

an area of sand sloping down to the water of a sea or lake

they went swimming at the beach

canal, noun

long and narrow strip of water made for boats or for irrigation

The Panama Canal

cliff, noun

a steep high face of rock

he stood on a high cliff overlooking the town

desert, noun

arid land with little or no vegetation

earth, noun

the loose soft material that makes up a large part of the land surface

they dug into the earth outside the church

farm, noun

workplace consisting of farm buildings and cultivated land as a unit

it takes several people to work the farm

field, noun

a piece of land cleared of trees and usually enclosed

he planted a field of wheat

forest, noun

the trees and other plants in a large densely wooded area

they camped in the forest

harbour, noun

a sheltered port where ships can take on or discharge cargo

Sydney Harbour

hill, noun

a local and well-defined elevation of the land

they loved to roam the hills of West Virginia

island, noun

a land mass (smaller than a continent) that is surrounded by water

Great Britain is an island

lake, noun

a body of (usually fresh) water surrounded by land

The Greeat Lakes of North America

land, noun

the solid part of the earth's surface

the plane turned away from the sea and moved back over land

motorway, noun

a broad highway designed for high-speed traffic

mountain, noun

a land mass that projects well above its surroundings; higher than a hill

The Rocky Mountains

ocean, noun

a large body of water covering a significant part of the earth's surface

The Indian Ocean

port, noun

a place (seaport or airport) where people and merchandise can enter or leave a country

quay, noun

wharf usually built parallel to the shoreline

railway, noun

line that is the commercial organization responsible for operating a system of transportation for trains that pull passengers or freight

The National Railway Company

rainforest, noun

a forest with heavy annual rainfall

region, noun

a large indefinite location on the surface of the Earth

penguins inhabit the polar regions

river, noun

a large natural stream of water (larger than a creek)

the river was navigable for 50 miles

rock, noun

a lump or mass of hard consolidated mineral matter

he threw a rock at me

sand, noun

a loose material consisting of grains of rock or coral

sea, noun

a division of an ocean or a large body of salt water partially enclosed by land

The North Sea

seaside, noun

the shore of a sea or ocean regarded as a resort

sky, noun

the atmosphere and outer space as viewed from the earth

soil, noun

material in the top layer of the surface of the earth in which plants can grow (especially with reference to its quality or use)

stream, noun

a natural body of running water flowing on or under the earth

valley, noun

a long depression in the surface of the land that usually contains a river

village, noun

a community of people smaller than a town

waterfall, noun

a steep descent of the water of a river

wood, noun

the trees and other plants in a large densely wooded area

# Education

absent, adj

not being in a specified place

advanced, adj

farther along in physical or mental development

the child's skeletal age was classified as `advanced'

arithmetic, noun

the branch of pure mathematics dealing with the theory of numerical calculations

art, noun

the creation of beautiful or significant things

art does not need to be innovative to be good

bell, noun

a hollow device made of metal that makes a ringing sound when struck

biology, noun

the science that studies living organisms

board, verb

live and take one's meals at or in

she rooms in an old boarding house

lodge and take meals (at)

break, noun

a time interval during which there is a temporary cessation of something

chemistry, noun

the science of matter; the branch of the natural sciences dealing with the composition of substances and their properties and reactions

class, noun

a body of students who are taught together

early morning classes are always sleepy

college, noun

a complex of buildings in which an institution of higher education is housed

composition, noun

an essay (especially one written as an assignment)

he got an A on his composition

corridor, noun

an enclosed passageway; rooms usually open onto it

course, noun

education imparted in a series of lessons or meetings

he took a course in basket weaving

curriculum, noun

an integrated course of academic studies

degree, noun

an award conferred by a college or university signifying that the recipient has satisfactorily completed a course of study

desk, noun

a piece of furniture with a writing surface and usually drawers or other compartments

dictionary, noun

a reference book containing an alphabetical list of words with information about them

diploma, noun

a document certifying the successful completion of a course of study

drama, noun

a dramatic work intended for performance by actors on a stage

economics, noun

the branch of social science that deals with the production and distribution and consumption of goods and services and their management

educate, verb

give an education to

We must educate our youngsters better

elementary, adj

of or pertaining to or characteristic of elementary school or elementary education

the elementary grades

essay, noun

an analytic or interpretive literary composition

geography, noun

study of the earth's surface; includes people's responses to topography and climate and soil and vegetation

handwriting, noun

something written by hand

she recognized his handwriting

history, noun

the discipline that records and interprets past events involving human beings

he teaches Medieval history

homework, noun

preparatory school work done outside school (especially at home)

intermediate, adj

around the middle of a scale of evaluation

IT, noun

the branch of engineering that deals with the use of computers and telecommunications to retrieve and store and transmit information

laboratory, noun

a workplace for the conduct of scientific research

lesson, noun

a unit of instruction

he took driving lessons

mark, verb

assign a grade or rank to, according to one's evaluation

mathematics, noun

a science (or group of related sciences) dealing with the logic of quantity and shape and arrangement

music, noun

the sounds produced by singers or musical instruments (or reproductions of such sounds)

notice, noun

an announcement containing information about an event

photography, noun

the act of taking and printing photographs

physics, noun

the science of matter and energy and their interactions

his favorite subject was physics

qualification, noun

an attribute that must be met or complied with and that fits a person for something

her qualifications for the job are excellent

qualify, verb

prove capable or fit; meet requirements

school, noun

a building where young people receive education

the school was built in 1932

science, noun

a particular branch of scientific knowledge

the science of genetics

study, verb

be a student; follow a course of study; be enrolled at an institute of learning

subject, noun

a branch of knowledge

technology, noun

the practical application of science to commerce or industry

# Entertainment & Media

CD, noun

a digitally encoded recording on an optical disk that is smaller than a phonograph record; played back by a laser

CD-Rom, noun

a compact disk that is used with a computer (rather than with an audio system); a large amount of digital information can be stored and accessed but it cannot be altered by the user

DVD, noun

a digital recording (as of a movie) on an optical disk that can be played on a computer or a television set

act, verb

perform on a stage or theater

actor, noun

a theatrical performer

actress, noun

a female actor

admission, noun

the fee charged for entrance to a show

advertisement, noun

a public promotion of some product or service

audience, noun

a gathering of spectators or listeners at a (usually public) performance

the audience applauded

ballet, noun

a theatrical representation of a story that is performed to music by trained dancers

book, verb

arrange for and reserve (something for someone else) in advance

camera, noun

equipment for taking photographs

cartoon, noun

none

a film made by photographing a series of cartoon drawings to give the illusion of movement when projected in rapid sequence

channel, noun

a television station and its programs

a satellite TV channel

circus, noun

a travelling company of entertainers; including trained animals

he ran away from home to join the circus

classical music, noun

traditional genre of music conforming to an established form and appealing to critical interest and developed musical taste

comedian, noun

a professional performer who tells jokes and performs comical acts

an actor in a comedy

comedy, noun

light and humorous drama with a happy ending

a comic incident or series of incidents

commercial, noun

a commercially sponsored ad on radio or television

concert, noun

a performance of music by players or singers not involving theatrical staging

costume, noun

the attire worn in a play or at a fancy dress ball

he won the prize for best costume

dance, noun

a party of people assembled for dancing

disco, noun

popular dance music (especially in the late 1970s); melodic with a regular bass beat; intended mainly for dancing at discotheques

display, noun

something shown to the public

the museum had many exhibits of oriental art on display

documentary, noun

a film or TV program presenting the facts about a person or event

drama, noun

a dramatic work intended for performance by actors on a stage

entrance, noun

the act of entering

she made a grand entrance

exhibition, noun

a collection of things (goods or works of art etc.) for public display

festival, noun

an organized series of acts and performances (usually in one place)

a drama festival

film, noun

a form of entertainment that enacts a story by sound and a sequence of images giving the illusion of continuous movement

folk music, noun

the traditional and typically anonymous music that is an expression of the life of people in a community

hero, noun

the principal character in a play or movie or novel or poem

interview, noun

the questioning of a person (or a conversation in which information is elicited); often conducted by journalists

my interviews with teenagers revealed a weakening of religious bonds

jazz music, noun

a genre of popular music that originated in New Orleans around 1900 and developed through increasingly complex styles

magazine, noun

a periodic publication containing pictures and stories and articles of interest to those who purchase it or subscribe to it

it takes several years before a magazine starts to break even or make money

magic, noun

any art that invokes supernatural powers

an illusory feat; considered magical by naive observers

music, noun

(music) the sounds produced by singers or musical instruments (or reproductions of such sounds)

news, noun

a program devoted to current events, often using interviews and commentary

newspaper, noun

a daily or weekly publication on folded sheets; contains news and articles and advertisements

he read his newspaper at breakfast

opera, noun

a drama set to music; consists of singing with orchestral accompaniment and an orchestral overture and interludes

orchestra, noun

a musical organization consisting of a group of instrumentalists including string players

seating on the main floor in a theater

performance, noun

a dramatic or musical entertainment

they listened to ten different performances

play, noun

a dramatic work intended for performance by actors on a stage

he wrote several plays but only one was produced on Broadway

poem, noun

a composition written in rhythmical lines

pop music, noun

music of general appeal to teenagers; a bland watered-down version of rock'n'roll with more rhythm and harmony and an emphasis on romantic love

programme, noun

an announcement of the events that will occur as part of a theatrical or sporting event

quiz, noun

an examination consisting of a few short questions

recording, noun

the act of making a record (especially an audio record)

she watched the recording from a sound-proof booth

review, noun

an essay or article that gives a critical evaluation (as of a book or play)

rock music, noun

a genre of popular music originating in the 1950s; a blend of black rhythm-and-blues with white country-and-western

romantic, adj

expressive of or exciting sexual love or romance

row, noun

an arrangement of objects or people side by side in a line

a row of chairs

scene, noun

the place where some action occurs

the police returned to the scene of the crime

screen, noun

a white or silvered surface where pictures can be projected for viewing

series, noun

a serialized set of programs

stage, noun

a large platform on which people can stand and can be seen by an audience

he clambered up onto the stage and got the actors to help him into the box

star, noun

a performer who receives prominent billing

studio, noun

workplace consisting of a room or building where movies or television shows or radio programs are produced and recorded

television, noun

an electronic device that receives television signals and displays them on a screen

thriller, noun

a suspenseful adventure story or play or movie

venue, noun

the scene of any event or action (especially the place of a meeting)

video, noun

a recording of both the visual and audible components (especially one containing a recording of a movie or television program)

# Environment

climate, noun

the weather in some location averaged over some long period of time

gasoline / petrol, noun

a volatile flammable mixture of hydrocarbons (hexane and heptane and octane etc.) derived from petroleum; used mainly as a fuel in internal-combustion engines

litter, noun

rubbish carelessly dropped or left about (especially in public places)

pollution, noun

undesirable state of the natural environment being contaminated with harmful substances as a consequence of human activities

rubbish, noun

worthless material that is to be disposed of

traffic, noun

the aggregation of things (pedestrians or vehicles) coming and going in a particular locality during a specified period of time

# Food and drink 1

apple, noun

fruit with red or yellow or green skin and sweet to tart crisp whitish flesh

bake (v), verb

cook and make edible by putting in a hot oven

banana, noun

elongated crescent-shaped yellow fruit with soft sweet flesh

barbecue, noun

a rack to hold meat for cooking over hot charcoal usually out of doors

bean, noun

any of various edible seeds of plants used for food

biscuit, noun

any of various small flat sweet cakes (`biscuit' is the British term)

bitter, noun

the property of having a harsh unpleasant taste

boil (v), verb

immerse or be immersed in a boiling liquid, often for cooking purposes

bowl, noun

a round vessel that is open at the top; used chiefly for holding food or liquids;

bread, noun

food made from dough of flour or meal and usually raised with yeast or baking powder and then baked

breakfast, noun

the first meal of the day (usually in the morning)

buffet, noun

a meal set out on a buffet at which guests help themselves

butter, noun

an edible emulsion of fat globules made by churning milk or cream; for cooking and table use

cabbage, noun

any of various cultivars of the genus Brassica oleracea grown for their edible leaves or flowers

cake, noun

baked goods made from or based on a mixture of flour, sugar, eggs, and fat

can, noun

airtight sealed metal container for food or drink or paint etc.

candy, noun

a rich sweet made of flavored sugar and often combined with fruit or nuts

canteen, noun

restaurant in a factory; where workers can eat

carrot, noun

deep orange edible root

cauliflower, noun

a plant having a large edible head of crowded white flower buds

celery, noun

widely cultivated herb with aromatic leaf stalks that are eaten raw or cooked

cereal, noun

a breakfast food prepared from grain

cheese, noun

a solid food prepared from the pressed curd of milk

chicken, noun

a domestic fowl bred for flesh or eggs; believed to have been developed from the red jungle fowl

chips, noun

strips of potato fried in deep fat

chocolate, noun

a food made from roasted ground cacao beans

cocoa, noun

a beverage made from cocoa powder and milk and sugar; usually drunk hot

coconut, noun

large hard-shelled oval nut with a fibrous husk containing thick white meat surrounding a central cavity filled (when fresh) with fluid or milk

cod (fish), noun

major food fish of Arctic and cold-temperate waters

coffee, noun

a beverage consisting of an infusion of ground coffee beans

he ordered a cup of coffee

cook, verb

prepare a hot meal

cookie, noun

any of various small flat sweet cakes (`biscuit' is the British term)

corn, noun

tall annual cereal grass bearing kernels on large ears: widely cultivated in America in many varieties; the principal cereal in Mexico and Central and South America since pre-Columbian times

cream, noun

the part of milk containing the butterfat

cucumber, noun

cylindrical green fruit with thin green rind and white flesh eaten as a vegetable; related to melons

cup, noun

a small open container usually used for drinking; usually has a handle

he put the cup back in the saucer

curry, noun

(East Indian cookery) a pungent dish of vegetables or meats flavored with curry powder and usually eaten with rice

dessert, noun

a dish served as the last course of a meal

diet, noun

a prescribed selection of foods

dinner, noun

the main meal of the day served in the evening or at midday

dinner will be at 8

dish, noun

a particular item of prepared food

she prepared a special dish for dinner

drink, verb

take in liquids

The patient must drink several liters each day

duck, noun

small wild or domesticated web-footed broad-billed swimming bird usually having a depressed body and short legs

eat, verb

take in solid food

She was eating a banana

egg, noun

oval reproductive body of a fowl (especially a hen) used as food

fish, noun

the flesh of fish used as food

in Japan most fish is eaten raw

flour, noun

fine powdery foodstuff obtained by grinding and sifting the meal of a cereal grain

fork, noun

cutlery used for serving and eating food

fresh, adj

not canned or otherwise preserved

fresh vegetables

fruit, noun

the ripened reproductive body of a seed plant

fry, verb

cook on a hot surface using fat

fry the pancakes

glass, noun

a container for holding liquids while drinking

grape, noun

any of various juicy fruit of the genus Vitis with green or purple skins; grow in clusters

grill, noun

a framework of metal bars used as a partition or a grate

he cooked hamburgers on the grill

# Food and drink 2

ham, noun

meat cut from the thigh of a hog (usually smoked)

honey, noun

a sweet yellow liquid produced by bees

hungry, adj

feeling a need or desire to eat food

a world full of hungry people

jam, noun

preserve of crushed fruit

jug, noun

a large bottle with a narrow mouth

juice, noun

the liquid part that can be extracted from plant or animal tissue by squeezing or cooking

knife, noun

tool used as a cutting instrument; has a pointed blade with a sharp edge and a handle

lamb, noun

the flesh of a young domestic sheep eaten as food

lemon, noun

yellow oval fruit with juicy acidic flesh

lemonade, noun

sweetened beverage of diluted lemon juice

lettuce, noun

edible leaves of any of various plants of Lactuca sativa

loaf, noun

a shaped mass of baked bread that is usually sliced before eating

lunch, noun

a midday meal

meat, noun

the flesh of animals (including fishes and birds and snails) used as food

melon, noun

any of numerous fruits of the gourd family having a hard rind and sweet juicy flesh

menu, noun

a list of dishes available at a restaurant

the menu was in French

microwave, noun

kitchen appliance that cooks food by passing an electromagnetic wave through it; heat results from the absorption of energy by the water molecules in the food

milk, noun

a white nutritious liquid secreted by mammals and used as food by human beings

mushroom, noun

fleshy body of any of numerous edible fungi

cooking oil, noun

any of a group of liquid edible fats that are obtained from plants

omelette, noun

beaten eggs or an egg mixture cooked until just set; may be folded around e.g. ham or cheese or jelly

onion, noun

bulbous plant having hollow leaves cultivated worldwide for its rounded edible bulb

orange, noun

round yellow to orange fruit of any of several citrus trees

pan, noun

cooking utensil consisting of a wide metal vessel

pasta, noun

shaped and dried dough made from flour and water and sometimes egg

pastry, noun

a dough of flour and water and shortening

pea, noun

seed of a pea plant used for food

peanut, noun

pod of the peanut vine containing usually 2 nuts or seeds; `groundnut' and `monkey nut' are British terms

pear, noun

sweet juicy gritty-textured fruit available in many varieties

pepper, noun

pungent seasoning from the berry of the common pepper plant of East India; use whole or ground

pie, noun

dish baked in pastry-lined pan often with a pastry top

pizza, noun

Italian open pie made of thin bread dough spread with a spiced mixture of e.g. tomato sauce and cheese

plaice, noun

flesh of large European flatfish

plate, noun

dish on which food is served or from which food is eaten

potato, noun

an edible tuber native to South America; a staple food of Ireland

raisin, noun

dried grape

rice, noun

grains used as food either unpolished or more often polished

roast, verb

cook with dry heat, usually in an oven

roast the turkey

salad, noun

food mixtures either arranged on a plate or tossed and served with a moist dressing; usually consisting of or including greens

salt, noun

white crystalline form of especially sodium chloride used to season and preserve food

sandwich, noun

two (or more) slices of bread with a filling between them

saucer, noun

a small shallow dish for holding a cup at the table

sausage, noun

highly seasoned minced meat stuffed in casings

slice, noun

a serving that has been cut from a larger portion

snack, noun

a light informal meal

soup, noun

liquid food especially of meat or fish or vegetable stock often containing pieces of solid food

sour, adj

having a sharp biting taste

spinach, noun

dark green leaves; eaten cooked or raw in salads

spoon, noun

a piece of cutlery with a shallow bowl-shaped container and a handle; used to stir or serve or take up food

steak, noun

a slice of meat cut from the fleshy part of an animal or large fish

strawberry, noun

sweet fleshy red fruit

sugar, noun

a white crystalline carbohydrate used as a sweetener and preservative

sweet, adj

having or denoting the characteristic taste of sugar

tart, noun

a pastry cup with a filling of fruit or custard and no top crust

taste, noun

the sensation that results when taste buds in the tongue and throat convey information about the chemical composition of a soluble stimulus

the candy left him with a bad taste

tea, noun

a beverage made by steeping tea leaves in water

iced tea is a cooling drink

thirsty, adj

feeling a need or desire to drink

after playing hard the children were thirsty

toast, noun

slices of bread that have been toasted

tomato, noun

mildly acid red or yellow pulpy fruit eaten as a vegetable

turkey, noun

large gallinaceous bird with fan-shaped tail; widely domesticated for food

vanilla, noun

any of numerous climbing plants of the genus Vanilla having fleshy leaves and clusters of large waxy highly fragrant white or green or topaz flowers

vegetable, noun

any of various herbaceous plants cultivated for an edible part such as the fruit or the root of the beet or the leaf of spinach or the seeds of bean plants or the flower buds of broccoli or cauliflower

vegetarian, noun

eater of fruits and grains and nuts; someone who eats no meat or fish or (often) any animal products

# Health, Medicine and Exercise

accident, noun

an unfortunate mishap; especially one causing damage or injury

ache, noun

a dull persistent (usually moderately intense) pain

ambulance, noun

a vehicle that takes people to and from hospitals

aspirin, noun

the acetylated derivative of salicylic acid; used as an analgesic anti-inflammatory drug (trade names Bayer, Empirin, and St. Joseph) usually taken in tablet form; used as an antipyretic; slows clotting of the blood by poisoning platelets

balance, verb

be in equilibrium

He was balancing on one foot

bandage, noun

a piece of soft material that covers and protects an injured part of the body

bend, verb

bend one's back forward from the waist on down

clean, verb

make clean by removing dirt, filth, or unwanted substances from

Clean the stove!

diet, verb

follow a regimen or a diet, as for health reasons

He has high blood pressure and must stick to a low-salt diet

dressing, noun

a cloth covering for a wound or sore

earache, noun

an ache localized in the middle or inner ear

emergency, noun

a sudden unforeseen crisis (usually involving danger) that requires immediate action

he never knew what to do in an emergency

fever, noun

a rise in the temperature of the body; frequently a symptom of infection

flu, noun

an acute febrile highly contagious viral disease

gym, noun

athletic facility equipped for sports or physical training

headache, noun

pain in the head caused by dilation of cerebral arteries or muscle contractions or a reaction to drugs

hospital, noun

a medical institution where sick or injured people are given medical or surgical care

hurt, verb

be the source of pain

Does your leg hurt?

injure, verb

cause injuries or bodily harm to

medicine, noun

(medicine) something that treats or prevents or alleviates the symptoms of disease

operate, verb

perform surgery on

operation, noun

a medical procedure involving an incision with instruments; performed to repair damage or arrest disease in a living body

they will schedule the operation as soon as an operating room is available

pill, noun

a dose of medicine in the form of a small pellet

recover, verb

get over an illness or shock

sore, noun

an open skin infection

stress, noun

(psychology) a state of mental or emotional strain or suspense

tablet, noun

a dose of medicine in the form of a small pellet

wound, noun

an injury to living tissue (especially an injury involving a cut or break in the skin)

# Hobbies and Leisure

barbecue, noun

a rack to hold meat for cooking over hot charcoal usually out of doors

camera, noun

equipment for taking photographs (usually consisting of a lightproof box with a lens at one end and light-sensitive film at the other)

camp, verb

live in or as if in a tent

Can we go camping again this summer?

establish or set up a camp

campsite, noun

a site where people on holiday can pitch a tent

chess, noun

a board game for two players who move their 16 pieces according to specific rules; the object is to checkmate the opponent's king

club, noun

a formal association of people with similar interests

he joined a golf club

collection, noun

a publication containing a variety of works

collector, noun

a person who collects things

computer, noun

a machine for performing calculations automatically

cruise, noun

an ocean trip taken for pleasure

dancing, noun

taking a series of rhythmical steps (and movements) in time to music

doll, noun

a small replica of a person; used as a toy

drawing, noun

the creation of artistic pictures or diagrams

he learned drawing from his father

fan, noun

an enthusiastic devotee of sports

fiction, noun

a literary work based on the imagination and not necessarily on fact

gallery, noun

a room or series of rooms where works of art are exhibited

guitar, noun

a stringed instrument usually having six strings; played by strumming or plucking

hire, verb

engage or hire for work

They hired two new secretaries in the department

jogging, noun

running at a jog trot as a form of cardiopulmonary exercise

join, verb

become part of; become a member of a group or organization

model, noun

a person who poses for a photographer or painter or sculptor

the president didn't have time to be a model so the artist worked from photos

museum, noun

a depository for collecting and displaying objects having scientific or historical or artistic value

music, noun

an artistic form of auditory communication incorporating instrumental or vocal tones in a structured and continuous manner

painting, noun

creating a picture with paints

he studied painting and sculpture for many years

picnic, noun

any informal meal eaten outside or on an excursion

playground, noun

yard consisting of an outdoor area for children's play

quiz, noun

an examination consisting of a few short questions

sculpture, noun

a three-dimensional work of plastic art

sightseeing, noun

going about to look at places of interest

slide, noun

plaything consisting of a sloping chute down which children can slide

sunbathe, verb

expose one's body to the sun

tent, noun

a portable shelter (usually of canvas stretched over supporting poles and fastened to the ground with ropes and pegs)

he pitched his tent near the creek

# House and home

DVD, noun

a digital recording (as of a movie) on an optical disk that can be played on a computer or a television set

window, noun

a framework of wood or metal that contains a glass windowpane and is built into a wall or roof to admit light or air

alarm clock, noun

a clock that wakes a sleeper at some preset time

antique, noun

any piece of furniture or decorative object or the like produced in a former period and valuable because of its beauty or rarity

apartment, noun

a suite of rooms usually on one floor of an apartment house

armchair, noun

chair with a support on each side for arms

balcony, noun

a platform projecting from the wall of a building and surrounded by a balustrade or railing or parapet

basement, noun

the lowermost portion of a structure partly or wholly below ground level; often used for storage

basin, noun

a bathroom sink that is permanently installed and connected to a water supply and drainpipe; where you can wash your hands and face

bath, noun

a relatively large open container that you fill with water and use to wash the body

bathroom, noun

a room (as in a residence) containing a bathtub or shower and usually a washbasin and toilet

bed, noun

a piece of furniture that provides a place to sleep

he sat on the edge of the bed

bedroom, noun

a room used primarily for sleeping

bell, noun

a hollow device made of metal that makes a ringing sound when struck

a push button at an outer door that gives a ringing or buzzing signal when pushed

bin, noun

a container; usually has a lid

blanket, noun

bedding that keeps a person warm in bed

he pulled the blanket over his head and went to sleep

brick, noun

rectangular block of clay baked by the sun or in a kiln; used as a building or paving material

bucket, noun

a roughly cylindrical vessel that is open at the top

bulb, noun

electric lamp consisting of a transparent or translucent glass housing containing a wire filament (usually tungsten) that emits light when heated by electricity

candle, noun

stick of wax with a wick in the middle

carpet, noun

floor covering consisting of a piece of thick heavy fabric (usually with nap or pile)

ceiling, noun

the overhead upper surface of a covered space

he hated painting the ceiling

chair, noun

a seat for one person, with a support for the back

he put his coat over the back of the chair and sat down

chimney, noun

a vertical flue that provides a path through which smoke from a fire is carried away through the wall or roof of a building

cloakroom, noun

a room where coats and other articles can be left temporarily

clock, noun

a timepiece that shows the time of day

coal, noun

fossil fuel consisting of carbonized vegetable matter deposited in the Carboniferous period

computer, noun

a machine for performing calculations automatically

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an expert at calculation (or at operating calculating machines)

cooker, noun

a utensil for cooking

corkscrew, noun

a bottle opener that pulls corks

corridor, noun

an enclosed passageway; rooms usually open onto it

cottage, noun

a small house with a single story

cupboard, noun

a small room (or recess) or cabinet used for storage space

curtain, noun

hanging cloth used as a blind (especially for a window)

cushion, noun

a soft bag filled with air or a mass of padding such as feathers or foam rubber etc.

desk, noun

a piece of furniture with a writing surface and usually drawers or other compartments

dish, noun

a piece of dishware normally used as a container for holding or serving food

we gave them a set of dishes for a wedding present

dishwasher, noun

a machine for washing dishes

door, noun

a swinging or sliding barrier that will close the entrance to a room or building or vehicle

he knocked on the door

downstairs, adv

on a floor below

the tenants live downstairs

drawer, noun

a boxlike container in a piece of furniture; made so as to slide in and out

dustbin, noun

a bin that holds rubbish until it is collected

duvet, noun

a soft quilt usually filled with the down of the eider

entrance, noun

something that provides access (to get in or get out)

they waited at the entrance to the garden

fan, noun

a device for creating a current of air by movement of a surface or surfaces

fence, noun

a barrier that serves to enclose an area

flatmate, noun

an associate who shares an apartment with you

floor, noun

the inside lower horizontal surface (as of a room, hallway, tent, or other structure)

they needed rugs to cover the bare floors

freezer, noun

electric refrigerator in which food is frozen and stored for long periods of time

fridge, noun

a refrigerator in which the coolant is pumped around by an electric motor

furnished, adj

provided with whatever is necessary for a purpose (as furniture or equipment or authority)

a furnished apartment

furniture, noun

furnishings that make a room or other area ready for occupancy

they had too much furniture for the small apartment

garage, noun

an outbuilding (or part of a building) for housing automobiles

garden, noun

a plot of ground where plants are cultivated

gas, noun

a fossil fuel in the gaseous state; used for cooking and heating homes

gate, noun

a movable barrier in a fence or wall

grill, noun

a framework of metal bars used as a partition or a grate

he cooked hamburgers on the grill

hall, noun

an interior passage or corridor onto which rooms open

handle, noun

the appendage to an object that is designed to be held in order to use or move it

he grabbed the hammer by the handle

hedge, noun

a fence formed by a row of closely planted shrubs or bushes

hi-fi, noun

equipment for the reproduction of sound with high fidelity

house, noun

a dwelling that serves as living quarters for one or more families

he has a house on Cape Cod

housewife, noun

a wife who manages a household while her husband earns the family income

housework, noun

the work of cleaning and running a house

iron, noun

home appliance consisting of a flat metal base that is heated and used to smooth cloth

kettle, noun

a metal pot for stewing or boiling; usually has a lid

kitchen, noun

a room equipped for preparing meals

ladder, noun

steps consisting of two parallel members connected by rungs; for climbing up or down

lamp, noun

a piece of furniture holding one or more electric light bulbs

landlady, noun

a landlord who is a woman

landlord, noun

a landowner who leases to others

laptop, noun

a portable computer small enough to use in your lap

laundry, noun

workplace where clothes are washed and ironed

lavatory, noun

a room or building equipped with one or more toilets

lawn, noun

a field of cultivated and mowed grass

living-room, noun

a room in a private house or establishment where people can sit and talk and relax

lock, noun

a fastener fitted to a door or drawer to keep it firmly closed

lounge, noun

a room (as in a hotel or airport) with seating where people can wait

machine, noun

any mechanical or electrical device that transmits or modifies energy to perform or assist in the performance of human tasks

microwave, noun

kitchen appliance that cooks food by passing an electromagnetic wave through it; heat results from the absorption of energy by the water molecules in the food

mirror, noun

polished surface that forms images by reflecting light

neighbour, noun

a person who lives (or is located) near another

oven, noun

kitchen appliance used for baking or roasting

pan, noun

cooking utensil consisting of a wide metal vessel

pillow, noun

a cushion to support the head of a sleeping person

plant, noun

(botany) a living organism lacking the power of locomotion

property, noun

something owned; any tangible or intangible possession that is owned by someone

that hat is my property

radio, noun

an electronic receiver that detects and demodulates and amplifies transmitted signals

refrigerator, noun

white goods in which food can be stored at low temperatures

rent, noun

a payment or series of payments made by the lessee to an owner for use of some property, facility, equipment, or service

roof, noun

a protective covering that covers or forms the top of a building

room, noun

an area within a building enclosed by walls and floor and ceiling

the rooms were very small but they had a nice view

roommate, noun

an associate who shares a room with you

rubbish, noun

worthless material that is to be disposed of

seat, noun

any support where you can sit (especially the part of a chair or bench etc. on which you sit)

he dusted off the seat before sitting down

sheet, noun

bed linen consisting of a large rectangular piece of cotton or linen cloth; used in pairs

shelf, noun

a support that consists of a horizontal surface for holding objects

shower, noun

a plumbing fixture that sprays water over you

they installed a shower in the bathroom

sink, noun

plumbing fixture consisting of a water basin fixed to a wall or floor and having a drainpipe

sofa, noun

an upholstered seat for more than one person

stairs, noun

a flight of stairs or a flight of steps

step, noun

support consisting of a place to rest the foot while ascending or descending a stairway

he paused on the bottom step

switch, noun

control consisting of a mechanical or electrical or electronic device for making or breaking or changing the connections in a circuit

table, noun

a piece of furniture having a smooth flat top that is usually supported by one or more vertical legs

it was a sturdy table

tap, noun

a faucet for drawing water from a pipe or cask

telephone, noun

electronic equipment that converts sound into electrical signals that can be transmitted over distances and then converts received signals back into sounds

I talked to him on the telephone

toilet, noun

a plumbing fixture for defecation and urination

towel, noun

a rectangular piece of absorbent cloth (or paper) for drying or wiping

toy, noun

an artifact designed to be played with

upstairs, noun

the part of a building above the ground floor

vase, noun

an open jar of glass or porcelain used as an ornament or to hold flowers

wall, noun

an architectural partition with a height and length greater than its thickness; used to divide or enclose an area or to support another structure

the south wall had a small window

# Language

advanced, adj

farther along in physical or mental development

the child's skeletal age was classified as `advanced'

answer, noun

a statement (either spoken or written) that is made to reply to a question or request or criticism or accusation

I waited several days for his answer

argue, verb

present reasons and arguments

have an argument about something

give evidence of

The evidence argues for your claim

ask, verb

inquire about

I asked about their special today

make a request or demand for something to somebody

She asked him for a loan

beginner, noun

someone new to a field or activity

chat, verb

talk socially without exchanging too much information

communicate, verb

be in verbal contact; interchange information or ideas

He and his sons haven't communicated for years

communication, noun

the activity of conveying information

they could not act without official communication from Moscow

elementary, adj

easy and not involved or complicated

an elementary problem in statistics

email, verb

communicate electronically on the computer

grammar, noun

the branch of linguistics that deals with syntax and morphology (and sometimes also deals with semantics)

interpret, verb

restate (words) from one language into another language

joke, noun

a humorous anecdote or remark intended to provoke laughter

he told a very funny joke

letter, noun

a written message addressed to a person or organization

mailed an indignant letter to the editor

mean, verb

denote or connote

`maison' means `house' in French

meaning, noun

the message that is intended or expressed or signified

what is the meaning of this sentence

mention, verb

make reference to

His name was mentioned in connection with the invention

make mention of

message, noun

a communication (usually brief) that is written or spoken or signaled

he sent a three-word message

pronounce, verb

speak, pronounce, or utter in a certain way

She pronounces French words in a funny way

pronunciation, noun

the manner in which someone utters a word

they are always correcting my pronunciation

question, noun

a sentence of inquiry that asks for a reply

he asked a direct question

say, verb

express in words

sentence, noun

a string of words satisfying the grammatical rules of a language

he always spoke in grammatical sentences

shout, noun

a loud utterance; often in protest or opposition

speak, verb

exchange thoughts; talk with

tell, verb

let something be known

Tell them that you will be late

translate, verb

restate (words) from one language into another language

I have to translate when my in-laws from Austria visit the U.S.

translation, noun

a written communication in a second language having the same meaning as the written communication in a first language

vocabulary, noun

a language user's knowledge of words

word, noun

a unit of language that native speakers can identify

words are the blocks from which sentences are made

# The Natural World

animal, noun

a living organism characterized by voluntary movement

autumn, noun

the season when the leaves fall from the trees

beach, noun

an area of sand sloping down to the water of a sea or lake

bird, noun

warm-blooded egg-laying vertebrates characterized by feathers and forelimbs modified as wings

branch, noun

a division of a stem, or secondary stem arising from the main stem of a plant

bush, noun

a low woody perennial plant usually having several major stems

cave, noun

a geological formation consisting of an underground enclosure with access from the surface of the ground or from the sea

cliff, noun

a steep high face of rock

he stood on a high cliff overlooking the town

climate, noun

the weather in some location averaged over some long period of time

the dank climate of southern Wales

coal, noun

fossil fuel consisting of carbonized vegetable matter deposited in the Carboniferous period

coast, noun

the shore of a sea or ocean

continent, noun

one of the large landmasses of the earth

there are seven continents

countryside, noun

rural regions

desert, noun

arid land with little or no vegetation

dolphin, noun

any of various small toothed whales with a beaklike snout; larger than porpoises

duck, noun

small wild or domesticated web-footed broad-billed swimming bird usually having a depressed body and short legs

earth, noun

the 3rd planet from the sun; the planet we live on

elephant, noun

five-toed pachyderm

environment, noun

the area in which something exists or lives

field, noun

a piece of land cleared of trees and usually enclosed

he planted a field of wheat

fish, noun

any of various mostly cold-blooded aquatic vertebrates usually having scales and breathing through gills

the shark is a large fish

flood, noun

the rising of a body of water and its overflowing onto normally dry land

flower, noun

a plant cultivated for its blooms or blossoms

forest, noun

the trees and other plants in a large densely wooded area

freeze, verb

be very cold, below the freezing point

It is freezing in Kalamazoo

giraffe, noun

tallest living quadruped; having a spotted coat and small horns and very long neck and legs; of savannahs of tropical Africa

hill, noun

a local and well-defined elevation of the land

they loved to roam the hills of West Virginia

lake, noun

a body of (usually fresh) water surrounded by land

land, noun

the solid part of the earth's surface

the plane turned away from the sea and moved back over land

leaf, noun

the main organ of photosynthesis and transpiration in higher plants

lion, noun

large gregarious predatory feline of Africa and India having a tawny coat with a shaggy mane in the male

monkey, noun

any of various long-tailed primates

moon, noun

the natural satellite of the Earth

mountain, noun

a land mass that projects well above its surroundings; higher than a hill

mouse, noun

any of numerous small rodents typically resembling diminutive rats having pointed snouts and small ears on elongated bodies with slender usually hairless tails

nature, noun

the natural physical world including plants and animals and landscapes etc.

they tried to preserve nature as they found it

planet, noun

(astronomy) any of the nine large celestial bodies in the solar system that revolve around the sun and shine by reflected light; Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and Pluto in order of their proximity to the sun

plant, noun

a living organism lacking the power of locomotion

pollution, noun

undesirable state of the natural environment being contaminated with harmful substances as a consequence of human activities

rabbit, noun

any of various burrowing animals of the family Leporidae having long ears and short tails; some domesticated and raised for pets or food

rainforest, noun

a forest with heavy annual rainfall

range, verb

a large tract of grassy open land on which livestock can graze

they used to drive the cattle across the open range every spring

river, noun

a large natural stream of water

the river was navigable for 50 miles

rock, noun

a lump or mass of hard consolidated mineral matter

he threw a rock at me

sand, noun

a loose material consisting of grains of rock or coral

scenery, noun

the appearance of a place

shark, noun

any of numerous marine carnivorous fishes with tough skin covered with small toothlike scales

sky, noun

the atmosphere and outer space as viewed from the earth

soil, noun

material in the top layer of the surface of the earth in which plants can grow

spring, noun

the season of growth

the emerging buds were a sure sign of spring

star, noun

(astronomy) a celestial body of hot gases that radiates energy derived from thermonuclear reactions in the interior

stone, noun

a lump or mass of hard consolidated mineral matter

summer, noun

the warmest season of the year; in the northern hemisphere it extends from the summer solstice to the autumnal equinox

they spent a lazy summer at the shore

sun, noun

the star that is the source of light and heat for the planets in the solar system

the Earth revolves around the Sun

sunlight, noun

the rays of the sun

sunrise, noun

the first light of day

sunset, noun

the time in the evening at which the sun begins to fall below the horizon

tiger, noun

large feline of forests in most of Asia having a tawny coat with black stripes; endangered

tree, noun

a tall perennial woody plant having a main trunk and branches forming a distinct elevated crown

valley, noun

a long depression in the surface of the land that usually contains a river

waterfall, noun

a steep descent of the water of a river

wild, noun

a wild primitive state untouched by civilization

he lived in the wild

wildlife, noun

all living things (except people) that are undomesticated

chemicals could kill all the wildlife

winter, noun

the coldest season of the year; in the northern hemisphere it extends from the winter solstice to the vernal equinox

zebra, noun

any of several black-and-white striped African equines

# Personal Feelings

able, adj

have the skills and qualifications to do things well

able teachers

afraid, adj

filled with regret or concern; used often to soften an unpleasant statement

I'm afraid I won't be able to come

amazed, adj

filled with the emotional impact of overwhelming surprise or shock

an amazed audience gave the magician a standing ovation

amazing, adj

surprising greatly

she does an amazing amount of work

amusing, adj

providing enjoyment; pleasantly entertaining

an amusing speaker

angry, adj

feeling or showing anger

angry at the weather

annoyed, adj

aroused to impatience or anger

annoyed about being left out

anxious, adj

eagerly desirous

causing or fraught with or showing anxiety

spent an anxious night waiting for the test results

ashamed, adj

feeling shame or guilt or embarrassment or remorse

awful, adj

causing fear or dread or terror

the awful war

bored, adj

tired of the world

bored with life

boring, adj

so lacking in interest as to cause mental weariness

a boring evening with uninteresting people

bossy, adj

offensively self-assured or given to exercising usually unwarranted power

brave, adj

possessing or displaying courage; able to face and deal with danger or fear without flinching

Familiarity with danger makes a brave man braver but less daring

brilliant, adj

of surpassing excellence

a brilliant performance

calm, adj

not agitated; without losing self-possession

spoke in a calm voice

challenging, adj

stimulating interest or thought

a challenging hypothesis

cheerful, adj

being full of or promoting cheer; having or showing good spirits

her cheerful nature

clever, adj

mentally quick and resourceful

a clever child

confident, adj

having or marked by confidence or assurance

a confident speaker

crazy, adj

bizarre or fantastic

had a crazy dream

cruel, adj

able or disposed to inflict pain or suffering

curious, adj

eager to investigate and learn or learn more (sometimes about others' concerns)

a curious child is a teacher's delight

delighted, adj

greatly pleased

depressed, adj

filled with melancholy and despondency

difficult, adj

not easy; requiring great physical or mental effort to accomplish or comprehend or endure

a difficult task

disappointed, adj

disappointingly unsuccessful

dizzy, adj

having or causing a whirling sensation; liable to falling

had a dizzy spell

easy, adj

posing no difficulty; requiring little effort

an easy job

embarrassed, adj

feeling or caused to feel uneasy and self-conscious

too embarrassed to say hello to his drunken father on the street

embarrassing, adj

causing to feel shame or chagrin or vexation

the embarrassing moment when she found her petticoat down around her ankles

excited, adj

excessively affected by emotion

none

fantastic, adj

extraordinarily good or great

a fantastic trip to the Orient

fit, noun

a display of bad temper

he had a fit

fond, adj

having or displaying warmth or affection

frightened, adj

thrown into a state of intense fear or desperation

funny, adj

arousing or provoking laughter

generous, adj

willing to give and share unstintingly

a generous donation

gentle, adj

soft and mild; not harsh or stern or severe

a gentle reprimand

glad, adj

showing or causing joy and pleasure; especially made happy

glad you are here

guilty, adj

responsible for or chargeable with a reprehensible act

guilty of murder

hard, adj

not easy; requiring great physical or mental effort to accomplish or comprehend or endure

healthy, adj

having or indicating good health in body or mind; free from infirmity or disease

a rosy healthy baby

intelligent, adj

having the capacity for thought and reason especially to a high degree

is there intelligent life in the universe?

jealous, adj

suspicious or unduly suspicious or fearful of being displaced by a rival

a jealous lover

lazy, adj

disinclined to work or exertion

lucky, adj

having or bringing good fortune

my lucky day

mad, adj

marked by uncontrolled excitement or emotion

merry, adj

full of or showing high-spirited merriment

miserable, adj

very unhappy; full of misery

he felt depressed and miserable

negative, adj

characterized by or displaying negation or denial or opposition or resistance; having no positive features

a negative outlook on life

noisy, adj

full of or characterized by loud and nonmusical sounds

a noisy cafeteria

normal, adj

being approximately average or within certain limits in e.g. intelligence and development

a perfectly normal child

old-fashioned, adj

out of fashion

ordinary, adj

not exceptional in any way especially in quality or ability or size or degree

ordinary everyday objects

original, adj

being or productive of something fresh and unusual; or being as first made or thought of

a truly original approach

patient, adj

enduring trying circumstances with even temper or characterized by such endurance

a patient smile

personal, adj

concerning or affecting a particular person or his or her private life and personality

a personal favor

pleasant, adj

affording pleasure; being in harmony with your taste or likings

we had a pleasant evening together

positive, adj

characterized by or displaying affirmation or acceptance or certainty etc.

a positive attitude

punctual, adj

acting or arriving or performed exactly at the time appointed

she expected guests to be punctual at meals

realistic, adj

aware or expressing awareness of things as they really are

a realistic description

reasonable, adj

showing reason or sound judgment

relaxed, adj

without strain or anxiety

gave the impression of being quite relaxed

reliable, adj

worthy of reliance or trust

a reliable source of information

rich, adj

possessing material wealth

her father is extremely rich

rude, adj

socially incorrect in behavior

sad, adj

experiencing or showing sorrow or unhappiness

feeling sad because his dog had died

satisfied, adj

filled with satisfaction

a satisfied customer

serious, adj

concerned with work or important matters rather than play or trivialities

a serious student of history

skilled, adj

having or showing or requiring special skill

only the most skilled gymnasts make an Olympic team

slim, adj

being of delicate or slender build

smart, adj

showing mental alertness and calculation and resourcefulness

special, adj

unique or specific to a person or thing or category

strange, adj

being definitely out of the ordinary and unexpected; slightly odd or even a bit weird

a strange fantastical mind

strong, adj

having strength or power greater than average or expected

a strong man

stupid, adj

lacking or marked by lack of intellectual acuity

sure, adj

having or feeling no doubt or uncertainty; confident and assured

surprised, adj

taken unawares or suddenly and feeling wonder or astonishment

surprised by her student's ingenuity

terrible, adj

causing fear or dread or terror

tired, adj

depleted of strength or energy

tired mothers with crying babies

typical, adj

exhibiting the qualities or characteristics that identify a group or kind or category

a typical American girl

unable, adj

not having the necessary means or skill or know-how

unable to get to town without a car

unusual, adj

not usual or common or ordinary

a scene of unusual beauty

well, adj

in good health especially after having suffered illness or injury

appears to be entirely well

wonderful, adj

extraordinarily good or great

# Services

bank, noun

a building in which the business of banking transacted

the bank is on the corner of Nassau and Witherspoon

cinema, noun

a theater where films are shown

dentist, noun

a person qualified to practice dentistry

doctor, noun

a licensed medical practitioner

I felt so bad I went to see my doctor

gallery, noun

a room or series of rooms where works of art are exhibited

garage, noun

a repair shop where cars and trucks are serviced and repaired

hairdresser, noun

someone who cuts or beautifies hair

hotel, noun

a building where travelers can pay for lodging and meals and other services

library, noun

a building that houses a collection of books and other materials

museum, noun

a depository for collecting and displaying objects having scientific or historical or artistic value

post, noun

the delivery and collection of letters and packages

restaurant, noun

a building where people go to eat

theatre, noun

a building where theatrical performances or motion-picture shows can be presented

# Shopping

advertise, verb

make publicity for; try to sell (a product)

The company is heavily advertizing their new laptops

bill, noun

an itemized statement of money owed for goods shipped or services rendered

he paid his bill and left

book, verb

arrange for and reserve (something for someone else) in advance

buy, verb

obtain by purchase; acquire by means of a financial transaction

The family bought a new car

cash, noun

money in the form of bills or coins

there is a desperate shortage of hard cash

change, noun

the balance of money received when the amount you tender is greater than the amount due

I paid with a twenty and pocketed the change

cheap, adj

relatively low in price or charging low prices

it would have been cheap at twice the price

cheque, noun

a written order directing a bank to pay money

complain, verb

express complaints, discontent, displeasure, or unhappiness

My mother complains all day

cost, verb

be priced at

These shoes cost $100

credit, noun

money available for a client to borrow

dear, adv

at a great cost

deposit, noun

a partial payment made at the time of purchase; the balance to be paid later

exchange, noun

the act of changing one thing for another thing

hire, verb

engage or hire for work

They hired two new secretaries in the department

inexpensive, adj

relatively low in price or charging low prices

luxury, noun

something that is an indulgence rather than a necessity

money, noun

the most common medium of exchange; functions as legal tender

we tried to collect the money he owed us

order, verb

make a request for something

Order me some flowers

pay, verb

give money, usually in exchange for goods or services

I paid four dollars for this sandwich

price, noun

the amount of money needed to purchase something

the price of gasoline

receipt, noun

an acknowledgment (usually tangible) that payment has been made

reduced, adj

well below normal (especially in price)

rent, verb

let for money

We rented our apartment to friends while we were abroad

reserve, verb

arrange for and reserve (something for someone else) in advance

reserve me a seat on a flight

save, verb

accumulate money for future use

He saves half his salary

sell, verb

exchange or deliver for money or its equivalent

He sold his house in January

# Sport

athlete, noun

a person trained to compete in sports

athletics, noun

a contest between athletes

ball, noun

round object that is hit or thrown or kicked in games

the ball travelled 90 mph on his serve

baseball, noun

a ball game played with a bat and ball between two teams of nine players; teams take turns at bat trying to score runs

he played baseball in high school

basketball, noun

a game played on a court by two opposing teams of 5 players; points are scored by throwing the ball through an elevated horizontal hoop

bat, noun

a club used for hitting a ball in various games

boxing, noun

fighting with the fists

champion, noun

someone who has won first place in a competition

coach, noun

(sports) someone in charge of training an athlete or a team

competition, noun

an occasion on which a winner is selected from among two or more contestants

court, noun

a specially marked horizontal area within which a game is played

players had to reserve a court in advance

cycling, noun

the sport of traveling on a bicycle

dancing, noun

taking a series of rhythmical steps (and movements) in time to music

diving, noun

a headlong plunge into water

enter, verb

become a participant; be involved in

enter a race

fishing, noun

the act of someone who fishes as a diversion

fitness, noun

good physical condition; being in shape or in condition

football, noun

any of various games played with a ball (round or oval) in which two teams try to kick or carry or propel the ball into each other's goal

game, noun

a contest with rules to determine a winner

you need four people to play this game

goal, noun

a successful attempt at scoring

the winning goal came with less than a minute left to play

golf, noun

a game played on a large open course with 9 or 18 holes; the object is use as few strokes as possible in playing all the holes

gymnastics, noun

a sport that involves exercises intended to display strength and balance and agility

hit, noun

the act of contacting one thing with another

hockey, noun

a game resembling ice hockey that is played on an open field; two opposing teams use curved sticks try to drive a ball into the opponents' net

jogging, noun

running at a jog trot as a form of cardiopulmonary exercise

kick, verb

strike with the foot

locker, noun

a storage compartment for clothes and valuables; usually it has a lock

motorcycling, noun

riding a motorcycle

motorcycling is a dangerous sport

net, noun

game equipment consisting of a strip of netting dividing the playing area in tennis or badminton

racket, noun

a sports implement (usually consisting of a handle and an oval frame with a tightly interlaced network of strings) used to strike a ball in various games

riding, noun

the sport of siting on the back of a horse while controlling its movements

rugby, noun

a form of football played with an oval ball

running, noun

traveling on foot at a fast pace

sail, verb

travel on water propelled by wind

I love sailing, especially on the open sea

score, noun

a number that expresses the accomplishment of a team or an individual in a game or contest

the score was 7 to 0

season, noun

a period of the year marked by special events or activities in some field

he celebrated his 10th season with the ballet company

shorts, noun

trousers that end at or above the knee

skiing, noun

a sport in which participants must travel on skis

squash, noun

a game played in an enclosed court by two or four players who strike the ball with long-handled rackets

stadium, noun

a large structure for open-air sports or entertainments

surfing, noun

the sport of riding a surfboard toward the shore on the crest of a wave

swimming, noun

the act of swimming

it was the swimming they enjoyed most

team, noun

a cooperative unit (especially in sports)

tennis, noun

a game played with rackets by two or four players who hit a ball back and forth over a net that divides the court

track, noun

a course over which races are run

trainer, noun

one who trains other persons or animals

volleyball, noun

a game in which two teams hit an inflated ball over a high net using their hands

# Technology

CD player, noun

a device for playing a digitally encoded audio an optical disk

CD-Rom, noun

a compact disk that is used with a computer (rather than with an audio system); a large amount of digital information can be stored and accessed but it cannot be altered by the user

DVD, noun

a digital recording (as of a movie) on an optical disk that can be played on a computer or a television set

IT, noun

Information Technology - the branch of engineering that deals with the use of computers and telecommunications to retrieve and store and transmit information

access, noun

(computer science) the operation of reading or writing stored information

address, noun

the code that identifies where a piece of information is stored

airmail, noun

letters and packages that are transported by aircraft

calculator, noun

a small machine that is used for mathematical calculations

chat, verb

talk socially without exchanging too much information

click, noun

depression of a button on a computer mouse

computer, noun

a machine for performing calculations automatically

connect, verb

join by means of communication equipment

The telephone company finally put in lines to connect the towns in this area

delete, verb

wipe out digitally or magnetically recorded information

dial, verb

operate a dial to select a telephone number

You must take the receiver off the hook before you dial

digital, adj

of a circuit or device that represents magnitudes in digits

digital computer

directory, noun

(computer science) a listing of the files stored in memory (usually on a hard disk)

electronic, adj

of or relating to electronics; concerned with or using devices that operate on principles governing the behavior of electrons

electronic devices

email, noun

(computer science) a system of world-wide electronic communication in which a computer user can compose a message at one terminal that can be regenerated at the recipient's terminal when the recipient logs in

enclosed, adj

closed in or surrounded or included within

the enclosed check is to cover shipping and handling

engaged, adj

unavailable for use by anyone else or indicating unavailability

envelope, noun

a flat (usually rectangular) container for a letter, thin package, etc.

equipment, noun

any instrument needed for an undertaking or to perform a service

fax, verb

send something via a facsimile machine

Can you fax me the report right away?

headline, noun

the heading or caption of a newspaper article

internet, noun

a computer network consisting of a worldwide network of computer networks that use the TCP/IP network protocols to facilitate data transmission and exchange

invent, verb

come up with (an idea, plan, explanation, theory, or principle) after a mental effort

invention, noun

the creation of something in the mind

keyboard, noun

device consisting of a set of keys on a piano or organ or typewriter or typesetting machine or computer or the like

laptop, noun

a portable computer small enough to use in your lap

laser, noun

an acronym for light amplification by stimulated emission of radiation; an optical device that produces an intense monochromatic beam of coherent light

machine, noun

any mechanical or electrical device that transmits or modifies energy to perform or assist in the performance of human tasks

message, noun

a communication (usually brief) that is written or spoken or signaled

he sent a three-word message

mobile phone, adj

a portable telephone

mouse, noun

a hand-operated electronic device that controls the coordinates of a cursor on your computer screen as you move it around on a pad; on the bottom of the device is a ball that rolls on the surface of the pad

a mouse takes much more room than a trackball

network, noun

an interconnected system of things or people

he owned a network of shops

online, adj

connected to a computer network or accessible by computer

operator, noun

an agent that operates some apparatus or machine

the operator of the switchboard

parcel, noun

a wrapped container

phone, noun

electronic equipment that converts sound into electrical signals that can be transmitted over distances and then converts received signals back into sounds

none

postage, noun

the charge for mailing something

postcard, noun

a card for sending messages by post without an envelope

print, verb

reproduce by printing

printer, noun

a machine that prints

program, verb

write a computer program

ring, verb

get or try to get into communication (with someone) by telephone

screen, noun

a white or silvered surface where pictures can be projected for viewing

software, noun

(computer science) written programs or procedures or rules and associated documentation pertaining to the operation of a computer system and that are stored in read/write memory

the market for software is expected to expand

switch, noun

control consisting of a mechanical or electrical or electronic device for making or breaking or changing the connections in a circuit

telephone, noun

electronic equipment that converts sound into electrical signals that can be transmitted over distances and then converts received signals back into sounds

I talked to him on the telephone

text, noun

the words of something written

there were more than a thousand words of text

# Travel & transport

abroad, adv

to or in a foreign country

they had never travelled abroad

accommodation, noun

the act of providing something (lodging or seat or food) to meet a need

aeroplane, noun

an aircraft that has a fixed wing and is powered by propellers or jets

airline, noun

a commercial enterprise that provides scheduled flights for passengers

airport, noun

an airfield equipped with control tower and hangars as well as accommodations for passengers and cargo

ambulance, noun

a vehicle that takes people to and from hospitals

announcement, noun

a public statement containing information about an event that has happened or is going to happen

the announcement appeared in the local newspaper

arrival, noun

the act of arriving at a certain place

they awaited her arrival

arrive, verb

reach a destination; arrive by movement or progress

She arrived home at 7 o'clock

backpack, noun

a bag carried by a strap on your back or shoulder

bag, noun

a flexible container with a single opening

he stuffed his laundry into a large bag

baggage, noun

cases used to carry belongings when traveling

bicycle, noun

a wheeled vehicle that has two wheels and is moved by foot pedals

board, verb

get on board of (trains, buses, ships, aircraft, etc.)

boat, noun

a small vessel for travel on water

border, noun

a line that indicates a boundary

brochure, noun

a small book usually having a paper cover

bus, noun

a vehicle carrying many passengers; used for public transport

he always rode the bus to work

cab, noun

a car driven by a person whose job is to take passengers where they want to go in exchange for money

cabin, noun

small room on a ship or boat where people sleep

canal, noun

long and narrow strip of water made for boats or for irrigation

capital city, noun

a seat of government

car, noun

a motor vehicle with four wheels; usually propelled by an internal combustion engine

he needs a car to get to work

charter, noun

a contract to hire or lease transportation

check-in, noun

the act of reporting your presence (as at an airport or a hotel)

coach, verb

a vehicle carrying many passengers; used for public transport

crossing, noun

a path (often marked) where something (as a street or railroad) can be crossed to get from one side to the other

currency, noun

the metal or paper medium of exchange that is presently used

customs, noun

money collected under a tariff

cycle, noun

a wheeled vehicle that has two wheels and is moved by foot pedals

cyclist, noun

a person who rides a bicycle

delay, verb

cause to be slowed down or delayed

Traffic was delayed by the bad weather

depart, verb

go away or leave

departure, noun

the act of departing

destination, noun

the place designated as the end (as of a race or journey)

direction, noun

a line leading to a place or point

he looked the other direction

dollar, noun

the basic monetary unit in many countries; equal to 100 cents

double room, adj

a room large enough for two

drive, verb

operate or control a vehicle

drive a car or bus

due, adj

owed and payable immediately or on demand

payment is due

duty-free, adj

exempt from duty

duty-free liquor

embassy, noun

a diplomatic building where ambassadors live or work

euro, noun

the basic monetary unit of most members of the European Union (introduced in 1999); in 2002 twelve European nations (Germany, France, Belgium, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Ireland, Greece, Austria, Finland) adopted the euro as their basic unit of money and abandoned their traditional currencies

fare, noun

the sum charged for riding in a public conveyance

ferry, noun

a boat that transports people or vehicles across a body of water and operates on a regular schedule

flight, noun

an instance of traveling by air

fly, verb

travel in an airplane

she is flying to Cincinnati tonight

foreign, adj

of concern to or concerning the affairs of other nations (other than your own)

foreign trade

fuel, noun

a substance that can be consumed to produce energy

more fuel is needed during the winter months

gate, noun

passageway (as in an air terminal) where passengers can embark or disembark

guest, noun

a visitor to whom hospitality is extended

guesthouse, noun

a house separate from the main house; for housing guests

guide, noun

someone employed to conduct others

guidebook, noun

something that offers basic information or instruction

harbour, noun

a sheltered port where ships can take on or discharge cargo

helicopter, noun

an aircraft without wings that obtains its lift from the rotation of overhead blades

hitchhike, verb

travel by getting free rides from motorists

hotel, noun

a building where travelers can pay for lodging and meals and other services

hovercraft, noun

a craft capable of moving over water or land on a cushion of air created by jet engines

hydrofoil, noun

a speedboat that is equipped with winglike structures that lift it so that it skims the water at high speeds

immigration, noun

migration into a place (especially migration to a country of which you are not a native in order to settle there)

inn, noun

a hotel providing overnight lodging for travelers

interpreter, noun

someone who mediates between speakers of different languages

jet, noun

an airplane powered by one or more jet engines

journey, noun

the act of traveling from one place to another

lorry, noun

a large truck designed to carry heavy loads

luggage, noun

cases used to carry belongings when traveling

map, noun

a diagrammatic representation of the earth's surface (or part of it)

motorcycle, noun

a motor vehicle with two wheels and a strong frame

motorway, noun

a broad highway designed for high-speed traffic

nationality, noun

people having common origins or traditions and often comprising a nation

immigrants of the same nationality often seek each other out

overnight, adj

lasting, open, or operating through the whole night

overtake, verb

travel past

parking lot, noun

space in which vehicles can be parked

parking space, noun

space in which a vehicle can be parked

passenger, noun

a traveler riding in a vehicle (a boat or bus or car or plane or train etc) who is not operating it

passport, noun

a document issued by a country to a citizen allowing that person to travel abroad and re-enter the home country

petrol, noun

a volatile flammable mixture of hydrocarbons derived from petroleum; used mainly as a fuel in internal-combustion engines

pilot, noun

someone who is licensed to operate an aircraft in flight

railway, noun

line that is the commercial organization responsible for operating a system of transportation for trains that pull passengers or freight

reservation, noun

something reserved in advance (as a hotel accommodation or a seat on a plane etc.)

reserve, verb

arrange for and reserve (something for someone else) in advance

reserve me a seat on a flight

ride, verb

sit and travel on the back of animal, usually while controlling its motions

Did you ever ride a camel?

road, noun

an open way for travel or transportation

roundabout, noun

a road junction at which traffic streams circularly around a central island

route, noun

an established line of travel or access

sail, verb

travel on water propelled by wind or by other means

scooter, noun

a wheeled vehicle with small wheels and a low-powered gasoline engine geared to the rear wheel

ship, noun

a vessel that carries passengers or freight

sightseeing, noun

going about to look at places of interest

signpost, noun

a post bearing a sign that gives directions or shows the way

speed, noun

distance travelled per unit time

subway, noun

an electric railway operating below the surface of the ground (usually in a city)

suitcase, noun

a portable rectangular container for carrying clothes

taxi, noun

a car driven by a person whose job is to take passengers where they want to go in exchange for money

terminal, noun

station where transport vehicles load or unload passengers or goods

tour, noun

a journey or route all the way around a particular place or area

they took an extended tour of Europe

tourist, noun

someone who travels for pleasure

traffic, noun

the aggregation of things (pedestrians or vehicles) coming and going in a particular locality during a specified period of time

train, noun

public transport provided by a line of railway cars coupled together and drawn by a locomotive

express trains don't stop at Princeton Junction

tram, noun

a wheeled vehicle that runs on rails and is propelled by electricity

translate, verb

restate (words) from one language into another language

I have to translate when my in-laws from Austria visit the U.S.

translation, noun

a written communication in a second language having the same meaning as the written communication in a first language

trip, noun

a journey for some purpose (usually including the return)

he took a trip to the shopping center

tunnel, noun

a passageway through or under something, usually underground (especially one for trains or cars)

the tunnel reduced congestion at that intersection

unleaded, adj

not treated with lead

unleaded gasoline

vehicle, noun

a conveyance that transports people or objects

visa, noun

an endorsement made in a passport that allows the bearer to enter the country issuing it

voyage, noun

a journey to some distant place

windscreen, noun

transparent screen (as of glass) to protect occupants of a vehicle

# Weather

blow, verb

be blowing or storming

The wind blew from the West

centigrade, adj

of or relating to a temperature scale on which the freezing point of water is 0 degrees and the boiling point of water is 100 degrees

cloud, noun

a visible mass of water or ice particles suspended at a considerable altitude

the clouds moved across the sky

cloudy, adj

full of or covered with clouds

cloudy skies

cold, adj

having a low or inadequate temperature or feeling a sensation of coldness

a cold climate

cool, noun

the quality of being at a refreshingly low temperature

the cool of early morning

dry, adj

free from liquid or moisture; lacking natural or normal moisture or depleted of water; or no longer wet

dry land

fog, noun

droplets of water vapor suspended in the air near the ground

foggy, adj

filled or abounding with fog or mist

forecast, noun

a prediction about how something (as the weather) will develop

frost, noun

ice crystals forming a white deposit (especially on objects outside)

gale, noun

a strong wind moving 45-90 knots; force 7 to 10 on Beaufort scale

hot, adj

used of physical heat; having a high or higher than desirable temperature

a hot August day

ice, noun

water frozen in the solid state

Americans like ice in their drinks

icy, adj

extremely cold

lightning, noun

abrupt electric discharge from cloud to cloud or from cloud to earth accompanied by the emission of light

mild, adj

moderate in type or degree or effect or force; far from extreme

a mild winter storm

rain, noun

water falling in drops from vapor condensed in the atmosphere

shower, noun

a brief period of precipitation

the game was interrupted by a brief shower

snow, noun

precipitation falling from clouds in the form of ice crystals

storm, noun

a violent weather condition with winds 64-72 knots (11 on the Beaufort scale) and precipitation and thunder and lightning

sun, noun

the star that is the source of light and heat for the planets in the solar system

the sun contains 99.85% of the mass in the solar system

sunny, adj

bright and pleasant weather

sunshine, noun

the rays of the sun

temperature, noun

the degree of hotness or coldness of a body or environment

thermometer, noun

measuring instrument for measuring temperature

thunder, noun

a booming or crashing noise caused by air expanding along the path of a bolt of lightning

wet, adj

covered or soaked with a liquid such as water

a wet bathing suit

wind, noun

air moving (sometimes with considerable force) from an area of high pressure to an area of low pressure

trees bent under the fierce winds

# Work & jobs

CV, noun

a summary of your academic and work history

actor, noun

a theatrical performer

actress, noun

a female actor

apply, verb

ask (for something)

She applied for college

architect, noun

someone who creates plans to be used in making something (such as buildings)

army, noun

a permanent organization of the military land forces of a nation or state

artist, noun

a person whose creative work shows sensitivity and imagination

assistant, noun

a person who contributes to the fulfillment of a need or furtherance of an effort or purpose

my invaluable assistant

athlete, noun

a person trained to compete in sports

banker, noun

a financier who owns or is an executive in a bank

boss, noun

a person who exercises control over workers

businessman, noun

a person engaged in commercial or industrial business (especially an owner or executive)

businesswoman, noun

a female businessperson

butcher, noun

a retailer of meat

cameraman, noun

a photographer who operates a movie camera

candidate, noun

someone who is considered for something (for an office or prize or honor etc.)

canteen, noun

restaurant in a factory; where workers can eat

captain, noun

an officer holding a rank below a major but above a lieutenant

career, noun

the particular occupation for which you are trained

carpenter, noun

a woodworker who makes or repairs wooden objects

chef, noun

a professional cook

chemist, noun

a health professional trained in the art of preparing and dispensing drugs

clerk, noun

an employee who performs clerical work (e.g., keeps records or accounts)

colleague, noun

an associate that one works with

comedian, noun

a professional performer who tells jokes and performs comical acts

company, noun

an institution created to conduct business

he only invests in large well-established companies

conference, noun

a prearranged meeting for consultation or exchange of information or discussion (especially one with a formal agenda)

consulate, noun

diplomatic building that serves as the residence or workplace of a consul

contract, noun

a binding agreement between two or more persons that is enforceable by law

cook, noun

someone who cooks food

crew, noun

the men and women who man a vehicle (ship, aircraft, etc.)

dancer, noun

a performer who dances professionally

dentist, noun

a person qualified to practice dentistry

department, noun

a specialized division of a large organization

you'll find it in the hardware department

designer, noun

a person who specializes in designing architectural interiors and their furnishings

detective, noun

a police officer who investigates crimes

diploma, noun

a document certifying the successful completion of a course of study

director, noun

someone who controls resources and expenditures

diver, noun

someone who works underwater

doctor, noun

a licensed medical practitioner

I felt so bad I went to see my doctor

employ, verb

engage or hire for work

employee, noun

a worker who is hired to perform a job

employer, noun

a person or firm that employs workers

employment, noun

the state of being employed or having a job

they are looking for employment

engineer, noun

a person who uses scientific knowledge to solve practical problems

factory, noun

a plant consisting of one or more buildings with facilities for manufacturing

farm, noun

workplace consisting of farm buildings and cultivated land as a unit

it takes several people to work the farm

farmer, noun

a person who operates a farm

fireman, noun

a member of a fire department who tries to extinguish fires

greengrocer, noun

a grocer who sells fresh fruits and vegetables

grocer, noun

a retail merchant who sells foodstuffs (and some household supplies)

guard, noun

a person who keeps watch over something or someone

hairdresser, noun

someone who cuts or beautifies hair

housewife, noun

a wife who manages a household while her husband earns the family income

housework, noun

the work of cleaning and running a house

instructor, noun

a person whose occupation is teaching

interpreter, noun

someone who mediates between speakers of different languages

journalist, noun

a writer for newspapers and magazines

judge, noun

a public official authorized to decide questions brought before a court of justice

laboratory, noun

a workplace for the conduct of scientific research

labourer, noun

someone who works with their hands; someone engaged in manual labor

lawyer, noun

a professional person authorized to practice law; conducts lawsuits or gives legal advice

lecturer, noun

someone who lectures professionally

librarian, noun

a professional person trained in library science and engaged in library services

manager, noun

someone who controls resources and expenditures

mechanic, noun

someone whose occupation is repairing and maintaining automobiles

model, noun

a woman who wears clothes to display fashions

musician, noun

someone who plays a musical instrument (as a profession)

newsagent, noun

someone who sells newspapers

novelist, noun

one who writes novels

nurse, noun

one skilled in caring for young children or the sick (usually under the supervision of a physician)

occupation, noun

the principal activity in your life that you do to earn money

office, noun

place of business where professional or clerical duties are performed

he rented an office in the new building

officer, noun

any person in the armed services who holds a position of authority or command

operator, noun

an agent that operates some apparatus or machine

the operator of the switchboard

owner, noun

(law) someone who owns (is legal possessor of) a business

he is the owner of a chain of restaurants

pension, noun

a regular payment to a person that is intended to allow them to subsist without working

photographer, noun

someone who takes photographs professionally

physician, noun

a licensed medical practitioner

pilot, noun

someone who is licensed to operate an aircraft in flight

poet, noun

a writer of poems

policeman, noun

a member of a police force

policewoman, noun

a woman policeman

politician, noun

a leader engaged in civil administration

porter, noun

a person employed to carry luggage and supplies

postman, noun

a man who delivers the mail

president, noun

an executive officer of a firm or corporation

priest, noun

a clergyman in Christian churches who has the authority to perform or administer various religious rites

profession, noun

the body of people in a learned occupation

the news spread rapidly through the medical profession

professional, noun

a person engaged in one of the learned professions

professor, noun

someone who is a member of the faculty at a college or university

programmer, noun

a person who designs and writes and tests computer programs

publisher, noun

a person engaged in publishing periodicals or books or music

qualification, noun

an attribute that must be met or complied with and that fits a person for something

her qualifications for the job are excellent

quit, verb

give up or retire from a position

reporter, noun

a person who investigates and reports or edits news stories

retire, verb

go into retirement; stop performing one's work or withdraw from one's position

He retired at age 68

retirement, noun

the state of being retired from one's business or occupation

sailor, noun

any member of a ship's crew

salary, noun

something that remunerates

salesman, noun

a man salesperson

saleswoman, noun

a woman salesperson

scientist, noun

a person with advanced knowledge of one or more sciences

secretary, noun

an assistant who handles correspondence and clerical work for a boss or an organization

servant, noun

a person working in the service of another (especially in the household)

shopkeeper, noun

a merchant who owns or manages a shop

soldier, noun

an enlisted man or woman who serves in an army

the soldiers stood at attention

staff, noun

personnel who assist their superior in carrying out an assigned task

the hospital has an excellent nursing staff

steward, noun

an attendant on an airplane

taxi driver, noun

a person whose job is to take passengers where they want to go in exchange for money

teacher, noun

a person whose occupation is teaching

trade, noun

the commercial exchange (buying and selling on domestic or international markets) of goods and services

Venice was an important center of trade with the East

unemployed, noun

people who are involuntarily out of work (considered as a group)

wage, noun

something that remunerates

wages were paid by check

workman, noun

an employee who performs manual or industrial labor