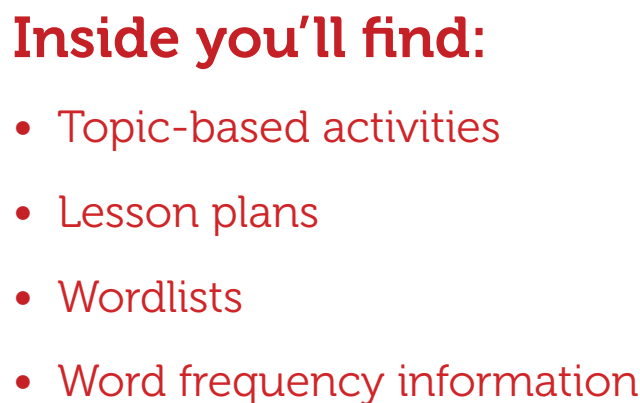




RED WORDS & STARS PACK!



Red Words and Stars

The Red Words and Stars are one of **Macmillan Dictionary's** most popular features. This booklet explains what they are, how they can be used and provides a selection of resources for the classroom.

What are they?

Although the English language has up to a million words, native speakers use just 7,500 words for 90% of what they speak or write. These words represent the core vocabulary of English, and they are words that everyone needs to be able to use with confidence. They appear in **red** in Macmillan Dictionary, along with a star rating. Three-star words (★ ★ ★) are the most common 2,500 words in the language. Two-star words (★ ★) are the next most common group, and one-star words (★) are the next most common 2,500.



Watch our video about the Red Words & Stars

How can you use them?

Red words are described in detail, with information provided not only about meaning, but also about grammatical behaviour, word combinations (collocation), register (informal, literary etc.) and pragmatics (what the words say about the speaker's attitude). These features are often illustrated with examples taken from our corpus to show typical contexts, collocations and grammatical patterns.

All this information is carefully selected and presented in order to help people to use the word accurately and appropriately.

What about the less common words?

Low-frequency words are mostly needed for reference and appear in **black** in Macmillan Dictionary. Students will need to know what these words mean, but might not need to reproduce them when speaking or writing.

These words have just a simple definition to help you understand the meaning straight away.

Time left:
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Score:
75

film

(noun)



One-star word?



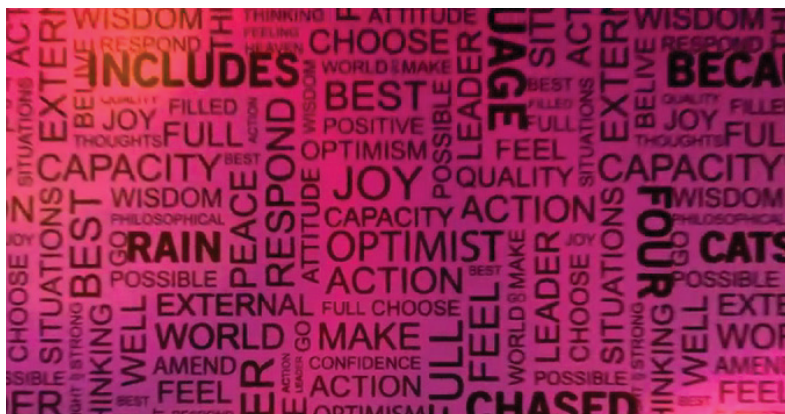
Two-star word?



Three-star word?

Test your intuition on word frequency. Can you guess how many stars each red word is worth?

The aim of Macmillan Dictionary is to make every definition as clear and easy to understand as possible. To achieve this, we write the definitions using a special **defining vocabulary** of just 2,500 words. These are among the most frequent words in the English language, and they are words that all students of English become familiar with in the first year or two of their studies.



Free resources, including games, lesson plans on pragmatics and the Real Grammar and Real Vocabulary series can be found on the Macmillan Dictionary website.

A graphic of a tablet with a grey border and a red base. The screen shows a video of a man with glasses and a grey jacket smiling. Text on the screen reads: "We really loved it - the band was awesome!". A circular blue logo with white stars is overlaid on the bottom left of the screen. The logo contains the text "SCOTT THORNBURY'S" at the top, "REAL VOCABULARY" in the center, and "www.macmillan-dictionary.com" at the bottom.



- Topic-based Red Words and Stars activities on hobbies, family and friends, study, technology and travel
- Lesson plans that help improve dictionary skills, spelling and memory skills
- Wordlists including all the red words used in this booklet

Family and friends

1. Find two adjectives and eleven nouns from the box.

a	b	c	s	u	r	n	a	m	e	a	z	d
h	o	b	a	j	o	l	o	v	i	n	g	b
u	n	b	s	m	a	t	e	q	k	c	t	s
p	d	g	d	l	i	i	h	z	e	e	g	p
a	f	f	e	c	t	i	o	n	q	s	u	o
d	s	i	t	h	m	n	r	h	b	t	w	u
c	v	s	s	i	b	l	i	n	g	o	i	s
o	l	k	p	l	f	g	n	k	l	r	p	e
m	y	f	e	d	f	c	o	u	s	i	n	h
f	r	i	e	n	d	l	y	c	o	i	k	j
r	e	l	a	t	i	o	n	s	h	i	p	i
g	r	e	l	a	t	i	o	n	f	m	w	o
s	r	u	i	o	p	a	n	v	c	g	v	h

affection	nephew
ancestor	niece
aunt	offspring
bond	parent
child	relation
close	relationship
cousin	sibling
friendly	spouse
friendship	support
generation	surname
grandparents	twins
loving	uncle
mate	

2. Use the remaining words from the box to complete the sentences.

- My sister and I are very _____ because we are _____. We always celebrate our birthday together.
- I have a great _____ with my best friend Ava. She always tries to _____ me through difficult times.
- My _____ have lots of interesting stories about the past. Their _____ experienced a lot of change.
- My mum has one sister and one brother, so I have one _____ and one _____.
- A _____ loves and cares for their _____.
- My _____ is very much like his mum, my sister. My _____ is more like her father.

Answers can be found on page 13

Study

1. Find 12 nouns and verbs from the box in this wordsearch.

a	e	l	g	c	k	g	a	e	r	h	o	z
l	f	e	o	l	o	r	e	v	i	s	e	o
o	b	c	k	a	e	a	r	n	q	n	p	l
h	r	t	x	s	t	d	g	l	i	f	i	e
f	e	u	l	s	e	u	s	w	s	a	o	a
u	s	r	y	r	f	a	b	e	e	i	f	r
g	e	e	c	o	l	t	u	h	t	l	d	n
z	a	o	i	o	g	e	s	f	e	z	e	m
o	r	c	d	m	m	u	i	y	s	j	g	v
v	c	u	p	t	e	r	m	h	t	h	r	k
t	h	g	x	s	i	o	j	s	c	w	e	r
f	d	t	m	e	m	o	r	i	s	e	e	q
s	c	h	o	l	a	r	s	h	i	p	i	m

class	mark
classroom	memorise
course	notes
degree	pass
essay	research
exam	revise
fail	scholarship
graduate	students
homework	term
learn	test
lecture	topic
lesson	tutor

2. Use the remaining words to complete the sentences.

- I got 97% for the _____ I wrote. That's a really good _____ !
- There are 35 _____ in my _____. That's a lot of names to remember!
- I usually write _____ during the _____ and read them later. It helps me to remember.
- I've got an _____ tomorrow, I hope I _____ !
- I'm doing a short English _____. It's quite hard work because we get _____ every night.
- Our _____ said that the _____ this week will be the Renaissance.

Answers can be found on page 13

Technology

1. Complete the crossword using words from the box.

click	invent	screen
connect	keyboard	software
delete	monitor	tablet
digital	mouse	text
hardware	network	upgrade
innovative	printer	virtual
install	program	wireless
	scanner	

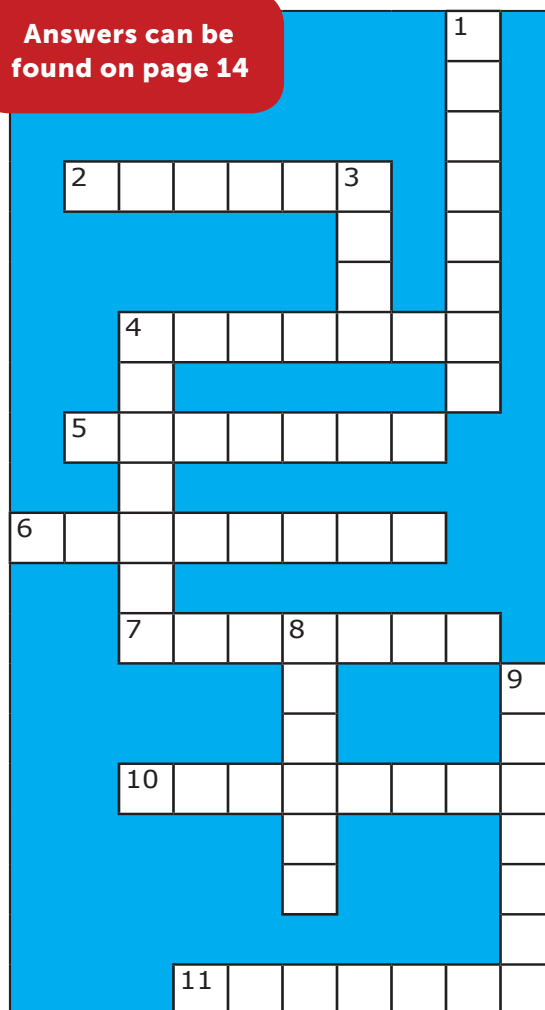
ACROSS:

- 2) a mobile computing device, larger than a mobile phone. The user controls it by touching the screen
- 4) a piece of equipment used for producing documents that you have created on a computer
- 5) to make it possible for someone to communicate using a telephone or computer network
- 6) computer equipment. Computer programs are called *software*
- 7) a computer screen, or the part of a computer that contains the screen
- 10) using technology, systems, or equipment such as mobile phones that communicate using electronic signals
- 11) storing information such as sound or pictures as numbers or electronic signals

2. Rearrange the letters to make words from the box.

- | | |
|------------------|---------------------|
| a) usemo _____ | f) twenkor _____ |
| b) rapgedu _____ | g) triualv _____ |
| c) kiclc _____ | h) eeldet _____ |
| d) rascenn _____ | i) vannootivi _____ |
| e) resnec _____ | j) dyekarob _____ |

Answers can be found on page 14



DOWN:

- 1) programs used by computers for doing particular jobs
- 3) to send a written message to someone using a mobile phone
- 4) a series of instructions that makes a computer perform an action
- 8) to design or create something such as a machine or process that did not exist before
- 9) to put a new program or piece of software into a computer so that you can use it

Travel

1. Find 11 nouns and verbs from the box in this wordsearch.

accommodation
 airport journey
 board luggage
 book passengers
 connection passport
 currency platform
 customs reception
 departure resort
 destination tourist
 explore trip
 flight visa
 holiday visit

a	d	g	r	h	e	x	p	l	o	r	e	x
a	c	c	o	m	m	o	d	a	t	i	o	n
n	o	o	a	y	k	o	v	c	x	e	s	d
m	z	n	y	t	t	o	u	r	i	s	t	e
u	t	n	e	y	v	i	s	i	t	p	r	s
i	j	e	o	i	w	d	u	y	u	k	f	t
o	o	c	u	r	r	e	n	c	y	y	g	i
r	u	t	r	b	l	p	l	u	k	l	i	n
z	r	i	a	s	u	a	u	s	n	k	o	a
x	n	o	q	w	e	r	e	t	x	m	p	t
w	e	n	m	c	d	t	d	o	q	n	q	i
t	y	q	w	c	x	u	x	m	a	h	s	o
f	s	v	i	s	a	r	c	s	f	t	r	n
a	g	l	n	k	u	e	p	e	d	h	u	p

2. Use the remaining words to complete the sentences.

- I'm going to _____ a hotel room online for a short business _____ to Paris.
- Unfortunately the airline lost my _____. I have to go back to the _____ when my bags arrive.
- You have to show your _____ at the hotel _____.
- We went on a wonderful _____ to a beautiful _____ on the coast.
- There were lots of _____ waiting on the _____ for the train.
- We have to _____ the plane now; our _____ leaves in 30 minutes.

Answers can be found on page 14

Lesson plan 1

People and culture

1 Music and musical

Find the words *music* and *musical* in Macmillan Dictionary.

- 1) Which word has more stars? *Music* or *musical*?
- 2) Which word is used more frequently? *Music* or *musical*?
- 3) Find three verbs (in bold type) that can be used with the different meanings of *music*.
- 4) Is *music* a noun or an adjective?
- 5) Find an expression that means 'something someone says that you are very pleased to hear'.

2 Culture

Find the word *culture* in Macmillan Dictionary.

- 1) How many stars does *culture* have?
- 2) What is the first meaning of *culture* in the dictionary?
- 3) Is the first meaning countable or uncountable?
- 4) In meaning 2a, is *culture* countable or uncountable?
- 5) Which meaning of *culture* does the example 'People from different cultures' refer to?

3 Language

Find the word *language* in Macmillan Dictionary.

- 1) How many stars does *language* have?
- 2) Is the first meaning of *language* countable or uncountable?
- 3) What is *bad language*?
- 4) What does *Mind your language* mean?
- 5) What is meaning 3a of *language*?

4 People and jobs

There is a spelling mistake in each of these words. Find the words in Macmillan Dictionary and write the correct spelling.

- 1) enginier
- 2) architekt
- 3) politisian
- 4) accountant
- 5) directer

Lesson plan 1 – Answer key

People and culture

1 Music and musical

- 1) *music*
- 2) *music*
- 3) write, compose, read
- 4) noun
- 5) *music to your ears*

2 Culture

- 1) three
- 2) activities involving music, literature and other arts
- 3) uncountable
- 4) countable
- 5) 2a

3 Language

- 1) three
- 2) uncountable
- 3) language that might offend people
- 4) make sure you use words that will not offend people
- 5) a system of instructions used to program a computer

4 People and jobs

- 1) engineer
- 2) architect
- 3) politician
- 4) accountant
- 5) director

Teacher's notes

- Write the letters 'U' and 'C' on the board and elicit or explain that these words are used in the dictionary to indicate whether a noun is uncountable (e.g. *water*) or countable (e.g. a *bottle*).
- Explain that the red words in the dictionary are the 7,500 most frequently used words in English. Three red stars indicates the 2,500 most frequently used, two stars 2,501–5,000 and one star 5,001–7,500.
- Highlight the fact that the main meaning of each of the red words is given first and that some words have more than one meaning. Closely related meanings are indicated by letters, e.g. 2a, 2b.
- In Exercise 3, you might have to explain the meaning of *offend* (to make someone upset or angry by saying or doing something).
- In Exercise 4, highlight the fact that Macmillan Dictionary can be used quickly and effectively to check spelling.

Lesson plan 2

Theatre and the arts

1 Theatre

Find the nouns *play*, *stage* and *curtain* in Macmillan Dictionary.

- 1) Find two verbs that can be used with the first meaning of *play*.
- 2) Find two verbs that can be used with the second meaning of *stage*.
- 3) Find a preposition that can be used with the second meaning of *stage*.
- 4) The past simple of which irregular verb follows *curtain* in the example in 1b?
- 5) What is 'the final curtain'?

2 Film

Find the noun *film* in Macmillan Dictionary.

- 1) Complete the phrase using a preposition 'a film _____ space travel'.
- 2) Find two verbs that can be used with *film*.
- 3) Complete the sentence: 'I'd love to work _____ film'.
- 4) Find two nouns that can follow *film*: film _____; film _____.
- 5) Look in the Word Sets section and find a phrase that means 'a type of film that combines a love story with comedy'.

3 Dance

Find the verb *dance* in Macmillan Dictionary.

- 1) Complete the sentence: 'Who were you dancing _____?'
- 2) Complete the sentence: 'What kind of music were you dancing _____?'
- 3) Complete the sentence: 'Harry and Lisa were still dancing _____.'
- 4) Complete the sentence: 'Two couples were dancing a _____.'
- 5) Find a phrase that means 'to spend the whole night dancing'.

4 Synonyms

Find these words in the online thesaurus. Write a synonym for each. Fast finishers can write two synonyms for each adjective.

- | | | |
|----------------|---------|-----------------------|
| 1) funny | a _____ | h _____ (very funny) |
| 2) sad | u _____ | m _____ |
| 3) exciting | d _____ | t _____ |
| 4) frightening | s _____ | c _____ |
| 5) boring | d _____ | m _____ (very boring) |

Theatre and the arts

1 Theatre

- 1) *put on; perform*
- 2) *take; leave*
- 3) *on*
- 4) *rise*
- 5) the end of a performance in a theatre or the end of something, especially life

2 Film

- 1) *about*
- 2) *make; shoot*
- 3) *in*
- 4) *industry; career*
- 5) *romantic comedy*

3 Dance

- 1) *with*
- 2) *to*
- 3) *together*
- 4) *waltz*
- 5) *dance the night away*

4 Synonyms

- 1) *amusing; hilarious / hysterical*
- 2) *unhappy; melancholy*
- 3) *dramatic; thrilling*
- 4) *scary; chilling*
- 5) *dull; mind-numbing*

Teacher's notes

- In Exercise 1, explain that the indefinite article is needed in 'perform **a** play; put on **a** play' and the definite article in 'take **the** stage; leave the stage'. There is no article in the phrase 'on stage'.
- In Exercise 2, a number of other nouns can follow *film*, notably *director*, *festival* and *star*. Point out that the American term for *film* is *movie* and a cinema is a *movie theater* (with a different spelling of *theatre*).
- Highlight the different prepositions that follow the verb *dance*: to *dance with someone* and to *dance to a particular type of music*.
- In Exercise 4, highlight the fact that synonyms do not usually have exactly the same meaning. For example, *amusing* is quite funny but *hilarious* is very funny. If you have a mixed-ability class, ask fast finishers to find two or even three synonyms for each of the adjectives. Ask those students who are less confident just to find the first synonym in each case.

Activities answers

Hobbies

1.

ACROSS:

- 3) collection
- 5) member
- 6) skill
- 7) ability
- 8) game

DOWN:

- 1) fan
- 2) activity
- 3) club
- 4) relaxation

2.

- a) participate
- b) entertaining
- c) interesting
- d) join
- e) collect
- f) indoors
- g) dedicated
- h) leisure
- i) meet
- j) enjoy
- k) creative

Family and friends

1.

a	b	c	s	u	r	n	a	m	e	a	z	d
h	o	b	a	j	o	l	o	v	i	n	g	b
u	n	b	s	m	a	t	e	q	k	c	t	s
p	d	g	d	l	i	i	h	z	e	e	g	p
a	f	f	e	c	t	i	o	n	q	s	u	o
d	s	i	t	h	m	n	r	h	b	t	w	u
c	v	s	s	i	b	l	i	n	g	o	i	s
o	l	k	p	l	f	g	n	k	l	r	p	e
m	y	f	e	d	f	c	o	u	s	i	n	h
f	r	i	e	n	d	l	y	c	o	i	k	j
r	e	l	a	t	i	o	n	s	h	i	p	i
g	r	e	l	a	t	i	o	n	f	m	w	o
s	r	u	i	o	p	a	n	v	c	g	v	h

2.

- a) My sister and I are very **close** because we are **twins**. We always celebrate our birthday together.
- b) I have a great **friendship** with my best friend Ava. She always tries to **support** and help me through difficult times.
- c) My **grandparents** have lots of interesting stories about the past. Their **generation** experienced a lot of change.
- d) My mum has one sister and one brother, so I have one **aunt** and one **uncle**.
- e) A **parent** loves and cares for their **offspring**.
- f) My **nephew** is very much like his mum, my sister. My **niece** is more like her father.

Study

1.

a	e	l	g	c	k	g	a	e	r	h	o	z
l	f	e	o	l	o	r	e	v	i	s	e	o
o	b	c	k	a	e	a	r	n	q	n	p	l
h	r	t	x	s	t	d	g	l	i	f	i	e
f	e	u	l	s	e	u	s	w	s	a	o	a
u	s	r	y	r	f	a	b	e	e	i	f	r
g	e	e	c	o	l	t	u	h	t	l	d	n
z	a	o	i	o	g	e	s	f	e	z	e	m
o	r	c	d	m	m	u	i	y	s	j	g	v
v	c	u	p	t	e	r	m	h	t	h	r	k
t	h	g	x	s	i	o	j	s	c	w	e	r
f	d	t	m	e	m	o	r	i	s	e	e	q
s	c	h	o	l	a	r	s	h	i	p	i	m

2.

- a) I got 97% for the **essay** I wrote. That's a really good **mark**!
- b) There are 35 **students** in my **class**. That's a lot of names to remember!
- c) I usually write **notes** during the **lesson** and read them later. It helps me to remember.
- d) I've got an **exam** tomorrow, I hope I **pass**!
- e) I'm doing a short English **course**. It's quite hard work because we get **homework** every night.
- f) Our **tutor** said that the **topic** this week will be the Renaissance.

Activities answers

Technology

- 1.
- | | | | |
|--------------|-------------|----|---------------|
| ACROSS: | DOWN: | | |
| 2) tablet | 1) software | 2. | a) mouse |
| 4) printer | 3) text | | b) upgrade |
| 5) connect | 4) program | | c) click |
| 6) hardware | 8) invent | | d) scanner |
| 7) monitor | 9) install | | e) screen |
| 10) wireless | | | f) network |
| 11) digital | | | g) virtual |
| | | | h) delete |
| | | | i) innovative |
| | | | j) keyboard |

Travel

- 1.
- | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| a | d | g | r | h | e | x | p | l | o | r | e | x |
| a | c | c | o | m | m | o | d | a | t | i | o | n |
| n | o | o | a | y | k | o | v | c | x | e | s | d |
| m | z | n | y | t | t | o | u | r | i | s | t | e |
| u | t | n | e | y | v | i | s | i | t | p | r | s |
| i | j | e | o | i | w | a | u | y | u | k | f | t |
| o | o | c | u | r | r | e | n | c | y | y | g | i |
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| w | e | n | m | c | d | t | d | o | q | n | q | i |
| t | y | q | w | c | x | u | x | m | a | h | s | o |
| f | s | v | i | s | a | r | c | s | f | t | r | n |
| a | g | l | n | k | u | e | p | e | d | h | u | p |
- 2.
- | | |
|--|---|
| a) I'm going to book a hotel room online for a short business trip to Paris. | e) There were lots of passengers waiting on the platform for the train. |
| b) Unfortunately the airline lost my luggage . I have to go back to the airport when my bags arrive. | f) We have to board the plane now; our flight leaves in thirty minutes. |
| c) You have to show your passport at the hotel reception . | |
| d) We went on a wonderful holiday to a beautiful resort on the coast. | |

Wordlist

Hobbies

ability /ə'biləti/ noun [uncountable] ★★★

the fact of being able to do something

activity /æk'tɪvəti/ noun [countable] ★★★

something that you do because you enjoy it or because it is interesting

club /klʌb/ noun [countable] ★★★

an organisation for people who have a common interest in a particular activity or subject

collect /kə'lekt/ verb ★★★

to get and keep objects because they are interesting or valuable

collection /kə'lekʃ(ə)n/ noun [countable] ★★★

a group of things

creative /kri'eɪtɪv/ adjective ★★

involving a lot of imagination and new ideas

dedicated /'dedɪ,keɪtɪd/ adjective ★

spending all your time and effort on something

enjoy /ɪn'dʒɔɪ/ verb [transitive] ★★★

to get pleasure from something

entertaining /,entə(r)'teɪnɪŋ/ adjective ★

enjoyable or fun to do

fan /fæn/ noun [countable] ★★

someone who likes watching or listening to something such as a sport, films, or music very much, or who admires a famous or important person very much

game /geɪm/ noun [countable] ★★★

an activity that you do for fun that has rules, and that you can win or lose

indoors /ɪn'dɔː(r)z/ adverb ★

in or into a building

interesting /'ɪntrəstɪŋ/ adjective ★★★

something that is interesting makes you want to know about it or take part in it

join /dʒɔɪn/ verb [transitive] ★★★

to become a member of an organisation, club etc

leisure /'leɪʒə(r)/ noun [uncountable] ★★

activities that you do to relax or enjoy yourself

meet /mi:t/ verb [transitive/intransitive] ★★★

to come together in order to talk to someone whom you have arranged to see

member /'membə(r)/ noun [countable] ★★★

someone who belongs to a club, organisation, or group

participate /pɑː(r)'tɪsɪpeɪt/ verb [intransitive] ★★

to take part in something

relaxation /,rɪːlək'seɪʃ(ə)n/ [countable/uncountable] ★★

an activity or situation that makes it possible for you to rest and enjoy yourself

skill /skɪl/ noun [uncountable] ★★★

the ability to do something well, usually as a result of experience and training

Wordlist

Family and friends

affection /ə'fekʃ(ə)n/ noun [uncountable] ★

a feeling of liking and caring about someone or something

ancestor /'ænsɛstə(r)/ noun [countable] ★★

someone who is related to you who lived a long time ago

aunt /a:nt/ noun [countable] ★★★

the sister of your mother or father, or the wife of your uncle

bond /bɒnd/ noun [countable] ★★

something that gives people or groups a reason to love one another or feel they have a duty to one another

child /tʃaɪld/ noun [countable] ★★★

a young person from the time they are born until they are about 14 years old

close /kləʊs/ adjective ★★★

connected by shared interests and shared feelings such as love and respect

cousin /'kʌz(ə)n/ noun [countable] ★★

a child of your uncle or aunt

friendly /'fren(d)li/ adjective ★★★

someone who is friendly is always pleasant and helpful towards other people

friendship /'fren(d)ʃɪp/ noun [countable] ★★

a relationship between people who are friends

generation /,dʒenə'reɪʃ(ə)n/ noun [countable] ★★★

a group of people in society who are born and live around the same time

grandparent /'græn(d),peərənt/ noun [countable] ★

the mother or father of your mother or father. You are their grandchild.

loving /'lʌvɪŋ/ adjective ★

feeling or showing love

mate /meɪt/ noun [countable] ★★

(British informal) a friend

nephew /'nefju: / /'nevju: / noun [countable] ★

a son of your brother or sister, or a son of your husband's or wife's brother or sister

niece /ni:s/ noun [countable] ★

a daughter of your brother or sister, or a daughter of your husband's or wife's brother or sister

offspring /'ɒf,sprɪŋ/ noun [countable] ★

someone's child or children

parent /'peərənt/ noun [countable] ★★★

a mother or father

relation /rɪ'leɪʃ(ə)n/ noun [countable] ★★★

a member of your family

relationship /rɪ'leɪʃ(ə)nʃɪp/ noun [countable] ★★★

the way in which two or more people or things are connected with or involve each other

sibling /'sɪblɪŋ/ noun [countable] ★

your siblings are your brothers and sisters

spouse /spaʊs/ noun [countable] formal ★

a husband, or a wife

support /sə'pɔ:z(r)t/ verb [transitive] ★★★

to help someone and be kind to them when they are having a difficult time

surname /'sɜ:z(r),neɪm/ noun [countable] ★

the name that you share with other members of your family. In English it is the last part of your full name.

twin /twɪn/ noun [countable] ★★

one of two children born at the same time to the same mother

uncle /'ʌŋk(ə)l/ noun [countable] ★★

the brother of one of your parents, or the husband of your aunt. You are his niece or nephew.

Wordlist

Study

class /kla:s/ noun [countable] ★★★

a group of students who are taught together

classroom /'kla:s.ru:m/ noun [countable] ★★

a room where you have classes in a school

course /kɔ:(r)s/ noun [countable] ★★★

a series of lessons or lectures in an academic subject or a practical skill

degree /di'gri:/ noun [countable] ★★★

a course of study at a university, or the qualification that you get after completing the course

essay /'eseɪ/ noun [countable] ★★

a short piece of writing by a student on a particular subject

exam /ɪg'zæm/ noun [countable] ★★

an important test of your knowledge, especially one that you take at school or university

fail /feɪl/ verb [intransitive/transitive] ★★★

to be unsuccessful in achieving a satisfactory level or standard

graduate /'grædʒueɪt/ verb [intransitive] ★

to complete your studies at a university or college, usually by getting a degree

homework /'həʊm.wɜ:(r)k/ noun [uncountable] ★

work that a teacher gives a student to do out of class

learn /lɜ:(r)n/ verb [intransitive/transitive] ★★★

to gain knowledge or experience of something, for example by being taught

lecture /'lektʃə(r)/ noun [countable] ★★

a talk to a group of people about a particular subject, especially at a college or university

lesson /'les(ə)n/ noun [countable] ★★★

a period of time in which students are taught about a subject in school

mark /mɑ:(r)k/ noun [countable] ★★★

(British) a score in the form of a number, percentage, or letter that a teacher gives a student's work. The American word is grade.

memorise /'meməraɪz/ verb [transitive] ★

to learn something so that you remember it perfectly

notes /nəʊts/ noun [plural] ★★★

details from something such as a lecture or a book that you write down so that you can remember them

pass /pa:s/ verb [intransitive/transitive] ★★★

to be successful in an examination or test by achieving a satisfactory standard

research /rɪ'sɜ:(r)tʃ/ /'rɪ:sɜ:(r)tʃ/ verb [intransitive/transitive] ★★

to make a detailed study of something in order to discover new facts

revise /rɪ'vaɪz/ verb [intransitive/transitive] ★

(British) to read and learn information that you have studied in order to prepare for an examination. The American word is review.

scholarship /'skɒlə(r)ʃɪp/ noun [countable] ★

an amount of money that an organisation gives to someone so that they can study at a particular school or university

student /'stju:d(ə)nt/ noun [countable] ★★★

someone who goes to a university, college, or school

term /tɜ:(r)m/ noun [countable] ★★★

one of the periods of time into which the year is divided for students. In the UK, there are usually three terms: the autumn term, the spring term, and the summer term.

test /test/ noun [countable] ★★★

a set of written or spoken questions used for finding out how much someone knows about a subject. A test is less formal than an exam.

topic /'tɒpɪk/ noun [countable] ★★★

a subject that you write or speak about

tutor /'tju:tə(r)/ noun [countable] ★★

a teacher in a college or university

Wordlist

Technology

click /kɪk/ verb [transitive/intransitive] ★

to make a computer do something by pressing a button on the mouse

connect /kə'nekt/ verb [transitive/intransitive] ★ ★ ★

to make it possible for someone to communicate using a telephone or computer network

delete /dɪ'li:t/ verb [transitive] ★ ★

to remove information stored in a computer

digital /'dɪdʒɪt(ə)l/ adjective ★ ★

storing information such as sound or pictures as numbers or electronic signals

hardware /'hɑ:d(r),weə(r)/ noun [uncountable] ★ ★

computer equipment. Computer programs are called software.

innovative /'ɪnəveɪtɪv/ /'ɪnəvətɪv/ adjective ★

new, original, and advanced

install /ɪn'stɔ:l/ verb [transitive] ★ ★

to put a new program or piece of software into a computer so that you can use it

invent /ɪn'vent/ verb [transitive] ★ ★

to design or create something such as a machine or process that did not exist before

keyboard /'ki:bd/ noun [countable] ★

a piece of computer equipment with keys on it, used for putting information into a computer

monitor /'mɒnɪtə(r)/ noun [countable] ★

a computer screen, or the part of a computer that contains the screen

mouse /maʊs/ noun [countable] ★ ★

a small object that you move in order to do things on a computer screen. When you press on a part of the mouse, you click on it. You also click on things on the computer screen itself, using a mouse.

network /'net,wɜ:(r)k/ noun [countable] ★ ★ ★

a set of computers that are connected to each other so that each computer can send and receive information to and from the other computers

online /'ɒnlaɪn/ adjective ★ ★

connected to or available through a computer or a computer network (=a group of connected computers), especially the internet

printer /'prɪntə(r)/ noun [countable] ★ ★

a piece of equipment used for printing documents that you have created on a computer

program /'prəʊgræm/ noun [countable] ★ ★

a series of instructions that makes a computer perform an action or a particular type of work

scanner /'skænə(r)/ noun [countable] ★

a piece of equipment that is used for copying a picture or document into a computer

screen /skri:n/ noun [countable] ★ ★ ★

the flat surface on a computer, television, or piece of electronic equipment where words and pictures are shown

software /'sɒf(t),weə(r)/ noun [uncountable] ★ ★ ★

programs used by computers for doing particular jobs

tablet /'tæblət/ noun [countable] ★ ★

a mobile computing device, larger than a mobile phone, that can browse the Internet, handle email, play music and video, and display e-books. The user controls it by touching the screen.

text /tekst/ verb [transitive] ★

to send a written message to someone using a mobile phone

upgrade /ʌp'greɪd/ verb [intransitive/transitive] ★

to make a computer or other machine more powerful or effective

virtual /'vɜ:(r)tʃʊəl/ adjective ★ ★

created by computers, or appearing on computers or the Internet

wireless /'waɪə(r)ləs/ adjective ★

wireless technology, systems, or equipment such as mobile phones does not use wires, but communicates using electronic signals

Wordlist

Travel

accommodation /əˌkɒməˈdeɪʃ(ə)n/ noun

[uncountable] ★★

a place for someone to stay, live, or work in

airport /ˈeə(r),pɔː(r)t/ noun [countable] ★★★

a place where planes arrive and leave, consisting of runways (=long roads where planes land and take off) and large buildings for passengers called terminals

board /bɔː(r)d/ verb [intransitive/transitive] ★

to get onto a ship, aircraft, train, or bus

book /bʊk/verb [intransitive/transitive] ★★

to buy tickets, or to arrange to have or use something at a particular time in the future

connection /kəˈnekʃ(ə)n/ noun [countable] ★★★

a train, bus, or plane that allows you to continue a journey after you arrive by a different train, bus, or plane

currency /ˈkʌrənsi/ noun [countable] ★★★

the system of money used in a particular country

customs /ˈkʌstəmz/ noun [plural] ★

the place at a port, airport, or border where officials check that the goods that people are bringing into a country are legal, and whether they should pay customs duties

departure /dɪˈpɑː(r)tʃə(r)/ noun [countable] ★★

the time when a plane, bus, or train leaves

destination /ˌdestɪˈneɪʃ(ə)n/ noun [countable] ★★

the place where someone or something is going

explore /ɪkˈsplɔː(r)/ verb [intransitive/transitive] ★★★

to travel to a place in order to learn about it or to search for something valuable such as oil

flight /flaɪt/ noun [countable] ★★★

a journey through air or space in a vehicle such as a plane

holiday /ˈhɒlɪdeɪ/noun [countable] [often plural] ★★★

(British) a period of time when you do not work or study and do things for pleasure instead. The American word is vacation.

journey /ˈdʒɜː(r)ni/ noun [countable] ★★★

an occasion when you travel from one place to another, especially when there is a long distance between the places

luggage /ˈlʌɡɪdʒ/ noun [uncountable] ★

bags and suitcases that you take on a journey

passenger /ˈpæsɪndʒə(r)/ noun [countable] ★★★

someone who travels in a motor vehicle, aircraft, train, or ship but is not the driver or one of the people who works on it

passport /ˈpɑːspɔː(r)t/ noun [countable] ★

an official document containing your photograph and showing which country you are a citizen of. You use your passport when travelling to foreign countries.

platform /ˈplætˌfɔː(r)m/ noun [countable] ★★

an area next to a railway track where passengers get onto and off trains

reception /rɪˈsepʃ(ə)n/ noun [uncountable] ★★

the part of a large building such as a hotel or office where there is someone whose job is to welcome visitors, deal with questions etc

resort /rɪˈzɔː(r)t/ noun [countable] ★

a place that many people go to for a holiday

tourist /ˈtʊərɪst/ noun [countable] ★★★

someone who is visiting a place on holiday

trip /trɪp/ noun [countable] ★★★

an occasion when you go somewhere and come back again

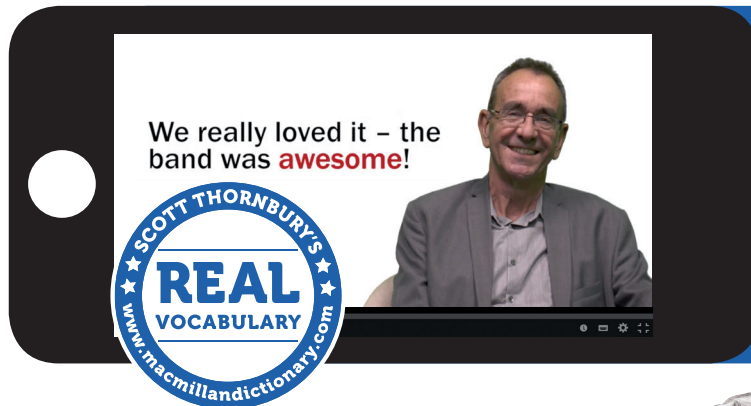
visa /ˈviːzə/ noun [countable] ★

an official document or mark in your passport that allows you to enter or leave a country for a specific purpose or period of time

visit /ˈvɪzɪt/ verb [transitive] ★★★

to go to a place for a short period of time

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