



## **How to use**

Try these techniques to maximise make revision more efficient:

- Read a card and then have a friend or family member to test you on it
- Draw a picture or a diagram of what the card describes
- Create a piece of writing using the words of a particular card(s)
- Stick the card(s) you are revising, somewhere you will see them every day, such as above your desk
- The segregation of “Mastered” and “To do” can be used as a tool revision tool. Revise around three words each day from the “To do” pile and once you have learnt them, put them in the “Mastered” pile. On weekends, revise the words in the “Mastered” pile. This is a good way to revise and reinforce what you have learnt.

## **Games**

Involve your friends and family to play the following games. You can play with as few as two players.

1. Divide the group of friends or family into teams. You can all take turns to be the quiz master. Scoring can be based on which player or team is able to define the word and give maximum number of synonyms or antonyms or both. This is a fun way to learn a lot of words.
2. Distribute equal number of cards amongst the team members. The first player begins by asking the words on their card to the person on their right. If the other player can define the word or give a synonym or antonym, he or she wins the card. If they are unable to answer then the player asking the question keeps it. At the end, player with the maximum number of cards wins. Make the game more challenging by stating that everyone has to state minimum one antonym and one synonym or at least two antonyms and two synonyms and so on. Keep increasing the level of difficulty as you feel appropriate.
3. Put the pack of cards face down in the middle. Player 1 picks up the top card and asks the player on the right to say or write down a sentence for word on the card. Each player gets a turn to pick the card and ask the player on the right. Each correct answer gets you a point and highest scorer wins.

If you have any questions or comments, please write to us at [info@ejoycation.co.uk](mailto:info@ejoycation.co.uk).

## TEST 1

- 1. Read the passage carefully. Fill in the missing words selecting words from the answers listed above the passage which you feel best fills in the blank space.**

obstinate	trivial	sincerely	conceited	exhilaration
eccentric	din	coax	ordeal	disarray
aggravated	disrupted	cruising	quandary	

Ash and her mother were \_\_\_\_ down the street in their car. It was Saturday morning and there wasn't much traffic which was something to be happy about. However, Ash was having a tough time bearing the \_\_\_\_ of having to visit her mother's alma mater. Something \_\_\_\_ as the baby sitter's unexpected day off had thrown her Saturday plans into \_\_\_\_\_. The Saturday which was to be spent fooling the old Mrs. Graves into letting her watch T.V. and eating crisps fell into \_\_\_\_\_ when Mrs. Graves called into tell that she had slipped in her bathroom and sprained her leg. Ash tried really hard to \_\_\_\_ her mother into letting her stay home but no avail. What \_\_\_\_\_ the matters, in her opinion, was the fact that her brother, older than her by a mere two years had been allowed to visit his friends. And he had declined to take her along saying that she would be a \_\_\_\_\_. "That \_\_\_\_\_ fellow!" she thought angrily. Her plans of getting back at her brother were \_\_\_\_\_ once the car entered the hallowed grounds of the college. As she heard the \_\_\_\_ Ash glanced towards her mother's face and found her in a state of \_\_\_\_\_. Feeling guilty for her \_\_\_\_\_ behavior in the morning, she flashed a nervous smile towards her mother promising \_\_\_\_\_ to be on her best behavior on the visit.

- 2. Find the three missing letters that need to be added to these words so that the sentence makes sense. The three letters do not have to make a word.**

1. The knowledgeable guide was an expert in pala - - - tology gave us an informative tour of the museum.
2. We learnt about the flora and f- - - a of the Jurassic period.
3. Ex- - - ction of dinosaurs was caused by the impact of a massive comet.
4. We went on a school exc- - - ion to a Science Museum.
5. The rowdy and impu- - - t class knew no boundaries.

- 3. Write the four-letter word hidden at the end of one word and beginning of the next word. The letters are not allowed to be rearranged.**

**Example** She looked beautiful in the red dress. (here)

1. He was the best emperor that had ever ruled them.
2. She likes to exercise at the school gym.
3. We really appreciate the hard work put in by our teachers.
4. Half of our class scored a hundred percent in the test.
5. Her intense glares transpired a confession.

- 4. Find the two words that are closest in meaning. Underline both the words.**

1. arduous, substantial, easy, difficult, peril
2. dilemma, dimension, decrease, predicament
3. occasionally, frequently, rarely, irregularly
4. timid, threat, afraid, rigid, brave
5. humble, human, moral, truthful, modest

## **TEST 2**

- 1. Read the passage carefully. Fill in the missing words selecting words from the answers listed above the passage which you feel best fills in the blank space.**

fatigued	curious	demolish	repenting
clemency	feign	embrace	credulous
eased	sharply		

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- 2. Find the three missing letters that need to be added to these words so that the sentence makes sense. The three letters do not have to make a word.**

1. The st- - - magician baffled us all with his un- - -homable tricks.
2. Although the climb was pre- - -ious, the resolute climbers reached the summit.
3. The plants on the banks of river Nile flourished and yi- - -ed good crops.
4. She lived in a humble ab- - - in next to the river.
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chaotic	endure	grotesque	errands
candid	besiege	economical	frivolous
simpler	posing		

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