

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**Level 1 Words**

**dale**

*/ˈdeɪl/ noun valley*

*the beautiful hills and dales of our county*

**duet**

*/duˈɛt, Brit djuˈɛt/ noun a piece of music that is performed by two singers or musicians*

*They sang the duet beautifully.*

**fowl**

*/ˈfaʊəl/ noun a bird (such as a chicken) that is raised for food*

*raising domestic fowl*

**gait**

*/ˈgeɪt/ noun a particular way of walking*

*He has an awkward gait.*

**digit**

*/ˈdɪdʒət/ noun a written symbol for any of the numbers 0 to 9*

*a three-digit number like 507*

**ghoul**

*/ˈguːl/ noun an evil creature in frightening stories that robs graves and eats dead bodies*

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**knoll**

*/ˈnoʊl/ noun* a small hill

*a grassy knoll*

**mourn**

*/ˈmoʊ-n/ verb* to feel or show great sadness because someone has died

*When he dies, people throughout the world will mourn.*

**otter**

*/ˈɑːtər/ noun* an animal that has dark brown fur and webbed feet with claws and that eats fish

*an animal that has dark brown fur and webbed feet with claws and that eats fish*

**shirk**

*/ˈʃɜːk/ verb* to avoid doing something that you are supposed to do

*He's too conscientious to shirk his duty/responsibility.*

**tiara**

*/tiˈerə, Brit tiˈɑːrəl/ noun* a crown worn by the pope

*a crown worn by the pope*

**acidic**

*/əˈsɪdɪk/ adj* having a very sour or sharp taste

*an acidic sauce/wine*

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**adroit**

/ə'droɪt/ *adj* very clever or skillful

*an adroit negotiator*

**astute**

/ə'stu:t, Brit ə'stju:t/ *adj* having or showing an ability to notice and understand things clearly : mentally sharp or clever

*He is an astute observer of the current political scene.*

**attach**

/ə'tætʃ/ *verb* to fasten or join one thing to another

*I've attached an application to the brochure for you.*

**attend**

/ə'tend/ *verb* to go to and be present at (an event, meeting, etc.)

*My husband and I will both attend the banquet.*

**awe**

/ɑ:/ *noun* a strong feeling of fear or respect and also wonder

*It was a sight that filled me with awe and reverence.*

**beware**

/bɪ'weə-/ *verb* to be careful : to act in a way that shows you know that there may be danger or trouble

*A ghostly voice cried "Beware!"*

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**bonnet**

*/ˈbɑːnət/ noun* a hat that ties under the chin Bonnets were worn by women in the past but are now only worn by babies.

*a hat that ties under the chin Bonnets were worn by women in the past but are now only worn by babies.*

**deceit**

*/dɪˈsiːt/ noun* dishonest behavior : behavior that is meant to fool or trick someone

*He achieved his goals through lies and (a web of) deceit.*

**detect**

*/dɪˈtɛkt/ verb* to discover or notice the presence of (something that is hidden or hard to see, hear, taste, etc.)

*The test is used to detect the presence of alcohol in the blood.*

**docile**

*/ˈdɑːsəl, Brit ˈdɒʊ,sɑɪl/ adj* easily taught, led, or controlled

*His students were docile and eager to learn.*

**enmity**

*/ˈɛnməti/ noun* a very deep unfriendly feeling

*There's a long history of enmity between them.*

**falcon**

*/ˈfælkən, ˈfɑːlkən/ noun* a type of hawk that can fly very fast and is sometimes trained to hunt

*a type of hawk that can fly very fast and is sometimes trained to hunt*

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**galaxy**

*/ˈɡæləksi/ noun* any one of the very large groups of stars that make up the universe

*the formation of galaxies*

**galley**

*/ˈɡæli/ noun* the kitchen of a ship or airplane

*the kitchen of a ship or airplane*

**ignore**

*/ɪgˈnəʊ-/ verb* to refuse to show that you hear or see (something or someone)

*She tried to ignore him but he wouldn't leave her alone.*

**juggle**

*/ˈdʒʌɡəl/ verb* to keep several objects in motion in the air at the same time by repeatedly throwing and catching them

*He is learning to juggle.*

**jungle**

*/ˈdʒʌŋɡəl/ noun* a tropical forest where plants and trees grow very thickly

*a dense jungle*

**lunacy**

*/ˈluːnəsi/ noun* extreme foolishness

*Quitting her job was an act of sheer/pure lunacy.*

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**meteor**

*/ˈmi:tɪjə/ noun* a piece of rock or metal that burns and glows brightly in the sky as it falls from outer space into the Earth's atmosphere

*a meteor shower*

**mousse**

*/ˈmu:s/ noun* a cold and sweet food made with whipped cream or egg whites and usually fruit or chocolate

*chocolate mousse*

**oracle**

*/ˈɒrəkəl/ noun* a person (such as a priestess) through whom a god was believed to speak

*consulting an oracle*

**raptor**

*/ˈræptə/ noun* a bird (such as an eagle or hawk) that kills and eats other animals for food : bird of prey

*a bird (such as an eagle or hawk) that kills and eats other animals for food : bird of prey*

**ravage**

*/ˈrævɪdʒ/ verb* to damage or harm (something) very badly

*The enemy ravaged the village.*

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**salary**

*/ˈsæləri/ noun* an amount of money that an employee is paid each year A salary is divided into equal amounts that are paid to a person usually once every two weeks or once every month.

*She was offered a salary of \$50,000 a year.*

**solemn**

*/ˈsɔːləm/ adj* very serious or formal in manner, behavior, or expression

*a solemn occasion/moment*

**thrall**

*/ˈθrɑːl/ noun* in a state of being controlled or strongly influenced by someone or something

*He was completely in thrall to her.*

**urbane**

*/ˌɜːˈbeɪn/ adj* polite and confident

*an urbane diplomat*

**utopia**

*/juˈtəʊpijə/ noun* an imaginary place in which the government, laws, and social conditions are perfect

*The town's founders wanted to create a Christian utopia.*

**anguish**

*/ˈæŋɡwɪʃ/ noun* extreme suffering, grief, or pain

*tears/cries of anguish*

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**buzzard**

*/'bʌzəd/ noun* a kind of large bird that eats animals that are already dead  
*a kind of large bird that eats animals that are already dead*

**cavalry**

*/'kævəlri/ noun* the part of an army that in the past had soldiers who rode horses and that now has soldiers who ride in vehicles or helicopters  
*Cavalry is used to perform reconnaissance.*

**conceal**

*/kən'si:l/ verb* to hide (something or someone) from sight  
*The sunglasses conceal her eyes.*

**cottage**

*/'kɔ:tɪdʒ/ noun* a small house especially in the country  
*We rented a cottage for the weekend.*

**deficit**

*/'defəsət/ noun* an amount (such as an amount of money) that is less than the amount that is needed  
*The government is facing a deficit of \$3 billion.*

**devious**

*/'di:vijəs/ adj* willing to lie and trick people in order to get what is wanted  
*a dishonest and devious politician*

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**exigent**

*/ˈɛksədʒənt/* *adj* requiring immediate attention : needing to be dealt with immediately

*exigent circumstances*

**furtive**

*/ˈfɜːtɪv/* *adj* done in a quiet and secret way to avoid being noticed

*He cast a furtive glance in our direction.*

**gallery**

*/ˈgæləri/* *noun* a room or building in which people look at paintings, sculptures, etc.

*an art gallery*

**gourmet**

*/ˈguːrˌmeɪ, guəˈmeɪ/* *noun* a person who enjoys and knows a lot about good food and wine

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**habitat**

*/ˈhæbətæt/* *noun* the place or type of place where a plant or animal naturally or normally lives or grows

*a creature's natural habitat*

**immense**

*/ɪˈmɛns/* *adj* very great in size or amount

*He inherited an immense fortune.*

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**immerse**

*/ɪ'mərs/ verb* to put (something) in a liquid so that all parts are completely covered  
*Immerse the fabric completely in the dye.*

**languid**

*/'læŋgwəd/ adj* showing or having very little strength, energy, or activity  
*a long, languid sigh*

**microbe**

*/'maɪkrəʊb/ noun* an extremely small living thing that can only be seen with a microscope : microorganism  
*a disease-causing microbe*

**migrate**

*/'maɪgreɪt/ verb* to move from one country or place to live or work in another  
*He migrates from New York to Florida each winter.*

**noxious**

*/'nɔ:kʃəs/ adj* harmful to living things : toxic  
*noxious fumes/waste*

**passage**

*/'pæsɪdʒ/ noun* a long, narrow space that connects one place to another  
*They escaped through a secret underground passage.*

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**rampart**

*/ˈræm.pɑːt/ noun* a tall, thick stone or dirt wall that is built around a castle, town, etc., to protect it from attacks

*The city's ramparts crumbled long ago.*

**usual**

*noun* what happens or is done most of the time

*"What have you been doing lately?" "Oh, you know. The usual."*

**blossom**

*/ˈblɔːsəm/ noun* a flower especially of a fruit tree

*Her hair smelled of apple/cherry/orange blossoms.*

**Level 2 Words**

**concern**

*/kənˈsɜːn/ noun* a feeling of worry usually shared by many people

*They have expressed/voiced concern about the cost of the project.*

**affair**

*/əˈfeə/ noun* work or activities done for a purpose : commercial, professional, public, or personal business

*The group conducts its affairs in private.*

**ceiling**

*/ˈsiːlɪŋ/ noun* the inside surface at the top of a room

*The house has low ceilings.*

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**palace**

*/ˈpæləs/ noun* the official home of a king, queen, president, etc.

*the royal/imperial/presidential palace*

**bundle**

*/ˈbʌndəl/ noun* a group of things that are fastened, tied, or wrapped together

*He arrived with several bundles under his arms.*

**aim**

*/ˈeɪm/ verb* to point (a weapon) at a target

*He aimed the gun carefully before shooting.*

**soothe**

*/ˈsuːθ/ verb* to cause (someone) to be calmer, less angry, etc.

*She played music to soothe the baby.*

**jury**

*/ˈdʒəːri/ noun* a group of people who are members of the public and are chosen to make a decision in a legal case

*The jury failed to reach a verdict.*

**league**

*/ˈliːg/ noun* a group of sports teams that play against each other

*a softball/bowling league*

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**excuse**

*/ɪk'skju:z/ verb* to forgive someone for making a mistake, doing something wrong, etc.,

*Please excuse my clumsiness.*

**sleet**

*/sli:t/ noun* frozen or partly frozen rain

*The snow turned to sleet and made driving very dangerous.*

**rough**

*/rʌf/ adj* having a surface that is not even

*rough tree bark*

**knot**

*/nɔ:t/ noun* a part that forms when you tie a piece of rope, string, fabric, etc., to itself or to something else

*She tied the rope in a knot.*

**confusion**

*/kən'fju:ʃən/ noun* a situation in which people are uncertain about what to do or are unable to understand something clearly

*The detour caused much confusion.*

**capable**

*/'keɪpəbəl/ adj* able to do something : having the qualities or abilities that are needed to do something

*a new train capable of (reaching) very high speeds*

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**exhaustion**

*/ɪg'zɔ:stʃən/ noun* the state of being extremely tired : the state of being exhausted  
*physical/nervous exhaustion*

**bubble**

*'bʌbəl/ noun* a tiny, round ball of air or gas inside a liquid  
*They saw air bubbles in the water.*

**steak**

*'steɪk/ noun* a thick, flat piece of meat and especially beef  
*I grilled a steak for dinner.*

**behind**

*/bɪ'haɪnd/ adv* in or toward the back  
*look behind*

**candle**

*'kændl/ noun* wax that has been formed into a stick or another shape and has a string in the middle that can be burned  
*wax that has been formed into a stick or another shape and has a string in the middle that can be burned*

**November**

*/nou'vembə-/ noun* the 11th month of the year  
*in (early/middle/mid-/late) November*

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**Japanese**

*/ˌdʒæpəˈniːz/ noun* the people of Japan : Japanese people  
*the customs of the Japanese*

**stereo**

*/ˈsteriəʊ/ noun* a piece of electronic equipment that plays the radio, CDs, etc., and that uses two speakers for the sound  
*a piece of electronic equipment that plays the radio, CDs, etc., and that uses two speakers for the sound*

**sneak**

*/ˈsniːk/ verb* to move quietly and secretly in order to avoid being noticed  
*They tried to sneak into the movie without paying.*

**Portuguese**

*/ˌpɔːtʃəˈgiːz/ adj* of or relating to Portugal, its people, or their language  
*Portuguese customs/food*

**apply**

*/əˈplai/ verb* to ask formally for something (such as a job, admission to a school, a loan, etc.) usually in writing  
*For further information, apply to the address below.*

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**video**

*/ˈvɪdɪoʊ/ noun* a movie, television show, event, etc., that has been recorded onto a videocassette, DVD, etc., so that it can be watched on a television or computer screen

*We're going to rent a couple of videos to watch this weekend.*

**because**

*/bɪˈkɑːz, bɪˈkɒz/ conj* for the reason that

*I ran because I was afraid.*

**memory**

*/ˈmɛməri/ noun* the power or process of remembering what has been learned

*He began to lose his memory as he grew older.*

**brood**

*/'bruːd/ noun* a group of young birds (such as chickens) that were all born at the same time

*a hen and her brood of chicks*

**giant**

*/'dʒaɪənt/ adj* very large : much larger or more powerful than normal

*a giant photograph/machine/wrestler*

**comb**

*/'kəʊm/ noun* a flat piece of plastic or metal with a row of thin teeth that is used for making hair neat

*a flat piece of plastic or metal with a row of thin teeth that is used for making hair neat*

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**cloak**

*/ˈkloʊk/ noun* a thing that hides or covers someone or something

*The soldiers began their attack under the cloak of darkness.*

**maple**

*/ˈmeɪpəl/ noun* a type of tree that grows in northern parts of the world and has hard wood often used in making furniture

*The maple leaf is an emblem of Canada.*

**difference**

*/ˈdɪfrəns/ noun* the quality that makes one person or thing unlike another

*She knows the difference between right and wrong.*

**dollar**

*/ˈdɔːlə/ noun* a basic unit of money in the U.S., Canada, Australia, and other countries that is equal to 100 cents

*The shirt costs 20 dollars.*

**December**

*/dɪˈsɛmbər/ noun* the 12th and last month of the year

*Her birthday is in late December.*

**due**

*/ˈduː, Brit ˈdjuː/ adj* required or expected to happen : expected to be in a particular place at a particular time

*When is the assignment due?*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**close**

*/ˈkloʊz/ verb* to move (a door, window, etc.) so that things cannot pass through an opening : shut

*Please close the door.*

**flight**

*/ˈflaɪt/ noun* the act of flying : the act of moving through the air by the use of wings  
*the flight of a bee*

**lettuce**

*/ˈletəs/ noun* a plant that has large leaves that are eaten especially in salads  
*a head of lettuce*

**field**

*/ˈfi:ld/ noun* an open area of land without trees or buildings  
*He gazed out across the fields.*

**soak**

*/ˈsoʊk/ verb* to put (something) in a liquid for a period of time  
*Soak the beans overnight (in water).*

**spare**

*/ˈspeə-/ adj* kept as something extra that can be used if it is needed  
*a spare pair of gloves*

**furthest**

*/ˈfə-θəst/ adv* to or at the greatest distance in space or time : farthest  
*The best table is furthest from the kitchen.*

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**package**

*/ˈpækɪdʒ/ noun* a box or large envelope that is sent or delivered usually through the mail or by another delivery service

*The mail carrier left the package on the front steps.*

**energy**

*/ˈenərdʒi/ noun* ability to be active : the physical or mental strength that allows you to do things

*The kids are always so full of energy.*

**mellow**

*/ˈmɛləʊ/ adj* pleasantly rich, full, or soft : not harsh, bright, or irritating

*The painting captures the mellow light of a summer evening.*

**unpleasant**

*/ˌʌnˈpleznt/ adj* not pleasant or enjoyable : causing discomfort or pain

*I stopped taking the drug because of its unpleasant side effects.*

**doubt**

*/ˈdaʊt/ verb* to be uncertain about (something) : to believe that (something) may not be true or is unlikely

*She began to doubt everything he said.*

**article**

*/ˈɑːtɪkəl/ noun* a piece of writing about a particular subject that is included in a magazine, newspaper, etc.

*a magazine/newspaper article*

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**thief**

*/ˈθi:f/ noun* a person who steals something  
*a car thief*

**accuse**

*/əˈkju:z/ verb* to blame (someone) for something wrong or illegal : to say that someone is guilty of a fault or crime  
*He was unjustly accused.*

**knock**

*/ˈnɔ:k/ verb* to hit something (such as a door) with the knuckles of your hand or with a hard object (such as a knocker) in order to get people's attention  
*I heard someone knocking (at the door).*

**doctor**

*/ˈdɔ:ktə-/ noun* The abbreviation Dr. is usually used in writing when doctor is being used as a title for a specific person.  
*I have an appointment with Dr. Brown.*

**peak**

*/ˈpi:k/ noun* the pointed top of a mountain  
*a line of rocky peaks*

**beautiful**

*/ˈbju:tfəl/ adj* having beauty: very attractive in a physical way  
*a beautiful young woman*

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### **dread**

*/ˈdred/ verb* to fear something that will or might happen

*He can't swim and dreads going in the water.*

### **cafeteria**

*/ˌkæfəˈtɪrɪjəl/ noun* a place (such as a restaurant or a room in a school) where people get food at a counter and carry it to a table for eating

*a school cafeteria*

### **dictionary**

*/ˈdɪkjəˌnəri, Brit ˈdɪkjənri/ noun* a reference book that contains words listed in alphabetical order and that gives information about the words' meanings, forms, pronunciations, etc.

*an English dictionary*

### **excess**

*/ɪkˈsɛs, ˈɛkˌsɛs/ noun* an amount that is more than the usual or necessary amount

*They were equipped with an excess of provisions.*

## **Level 3 Words**

### **academy**

*/əˈkædəmi/ noun* a school that provides training in special subjects or skills

*a military/naval academy*

### **hostage**

*/ˈhɑːstɪdʒ/ noun* a person who is captured by someone who demands that certain things be done before the captured person is freed

*The terrorists demanded a plane and a pilot in exchange for the hostages.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**wise**

*/ˈwaɪz/ adj* having or showing wisdom or knowledge usually from learning or experiencing many things

*a wise old woman*

**Teutonic**

*/tuˈtɔːnɪk, Brit tjuˈtʊnɪk/ adj* thought to be typical of German people

*a Teutonic commitment to hard work*

**accolade**

*/ˈækəˌleɪd/ noun* an award or an expression of praise

*There is no higher accolade at this school than an honorary degree.*

**achiever**

*/əˈtʃiːvə/ noun* a person who achieves success : a successful person

*Both of his brothers are achievers.*

**applause**

*/əˈplɑːz/ noun* a show of approval or appreciation at a play, speech, sporting event, etc., in which people strike their hands together over and over

*He accepted the award to thunderous applause.*

**artistry**

*/ˈɑːtəstri/ noun* artistic ability or skill

*We admired the singer's artistry.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**astonish**

*/ə'stɑ:nɪʃ/ verb* to cause a feeling of great wonder or surprise in (someone)

*The garden astonishes anyone who sees it.*

**carousel**

*/ˌkerə'sɛl/ noun* merry-go-round 1

*He loves to ride on the carousel at the park.*

**cellular**

*'sɛljələ-/ adj* of, relating to, or made of the cells of living things

*Researchers are observing the course of the disease at the cellular level.*

**conquest**

*'kɑ:n,kwɛst/ noun* the act of taking control of a country, city, etc., through the use of force

*tales of the ancient army's conquests*

**consumer**

*/kən'su:mə-, Brit kən'sju:mə-/ noun* a person who buys goods and services

*Many consumers are still not comfortable making purchases on the Internet.*

**cupboard**

*'kʌbəd/ noun* a piece of furniture used for storage that has doors and contains shelves

*a jelly cupboard*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**defiance**

*/dɪ'fajəns/ noun* a refusal to obey something or someone : the act of defying someone or something

*acts of defiance*

**deranged**

*/dɪ'reɪndʒd/ adj* unable to think or act in a normal or logical way especially because of severe mental illness : crazy or insane

*The actor was being followed by a (mentally) deranged fan.*

**derision**

*/dɪ'rɪʒən/ noun* the feeling that people express when they criticize and laugh at someone or something in an insulting way

*yells of derision*

**emphatic**

*/ɪm'fætɪk/ adj* said or done in a forceful or definite way

*Her answer was an emphatic "Yes!"*

**emulsion**

*/ɪ'mʌljən/ noun* a mixture of liquids In an emulsion, small drops of one liquid are mixed throughout another liquid.

*an emulsion of oil in water*

**escalate**

*/'ɛskəleɪt/ verb* to become worse or to make (something) worse or more severe

*The conflict has escalated into an all-out war.*

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**fluoride**

*/ˈfloʊ.ə.ɪd/ noun* a chemical that is sometimes added to drinking water and toothpaste to help keep teeth healthy

*a chemical that is sometimes added to drinking water and toothpaste to help keep teeth healthy*

**foretell**

*/foʊ.ˈtɛl/ verb* to describe (something) before it happens : predict

*We cannot foretell the future.*

**gigabyte**

*/ˈɡɪɡə.baɪt/ noun* a unit of computer information equal to 1,073,741,824 bytes

*a six-gigabyte hard drive*

**gracious**

*/ˈɡreɪʃəs/ adjective* polite in a way that shows respect

*It was very gracious of him to offer us a place to stay.*

**humanity**

*/hjuˈmænəti/ noun* the quality or state of being human

*They were joined together by their (common) humanity.*

**humidity**

*/hjuˈmɪdəti/ noun* moisture in the air

*the humidity of the region*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**ideology**

*/,aɪdɪ'ɑ:lədʒi/ noun* the set of ideas and beliefs of a group or political party  
*progressive/liberal/conservative ideologies*

**imprison**

*/ɪm'prɪzn/ verb* to put (someone) in prison  
*He was imprisoned for murder.*

**jettison**

*'dʒetəsən/ verb* to drop (something) from a moving ship, airplane, etc.  
*The captain gave orders to jettison the cargo.*

**keystone**

*'ki:stoun/ noun* a large stone at the top of an arch that locks the other stones in place  
*a large stone at the top of an arch that locks the other stones in place*

**lambskin**

*'læm,skɪn/ noun* the skin of a lamb  
*gloves made of lambskin*

**lethargy**

*'leθə:dʒi/ noun* a lack of energy or a lack of interest in doing things : a lethargic feeling or state  
*Symptoms of the disease include loss of appetite and lethargy.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**minor**

*/ˈmaɪnər/ adj* not very important or valuable

*a minor artist/author/celebrity*

**pedal**

*/'pɛdəl/ noun* a flat piece of metal, rubber, etc., that you push with your foot to make a machine move, work, or stop

*a bike's pedals*

**prolific**

*/prə'ɪfɪk/ adj* producing a large amount of something

*a prolific author*

**radiance**

*/'reɪdɪjəns/ noun* a quality of brightness and happiness that can be seen on a person's face

*She had a youthful radiance about her.*

**readjust**

*/'riːjə'dʒʌst/ verb* to change in order to work or do better in a new situation : to get used to a new situation or change

*It takes time to readjust after a loved one dies.*

**reticent**

*/'retəsənt/ adj* not willing to tell people about things

*a quiet, reticent person*

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**rhetoric**

*/ˈrɛtərɪk/ noun* language that is intended to influence people and that may not be honest or reasonable

*absolutist/activist/racist rhetoric*

**rhyme**

*/ˈraɪm/ noun* one of two or more words or phrases that end in the same sounds

*She used "moon" as a rhyme for "June."*

**sapphire**

*/ˈsæˌfajə-/ noun* a clear, usually deep blue jewel

*a clear, usually deep blue jewel*

**strategy**

*/ˈstrætədʒi/ noun* a careful plan or method for achieving a particular goal usually over a long period of time

*They are proposing a new strategy for treating the disease with a combination of medications.*

**suffrage**

*/ˈsʌfrɪdʒ/ noun* the right to vote in an election

*women who fought for suffrage*

**theology**

*/θiˈɑːlədʒi/ noun* the study of religious faith, practice, and experience : the study of God and God's relation to the world

*He has an interest in theology and pastoral work.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**thumb**

*/ˈθʌm/ noun* the short, thick finger on the side of your hand

*a little girl sucking her thumb*

**Slavic**

*/ˈslɑːvɪk/ noun* a group of related languages that includes Russian, Bulgarian, Czech, Polish, etc.

*a group of related languages that includes Russian, Bulgarian, Czech, Polish, etc.*

**audacious**

*/ɑːˈdeɪʃəs/ adj* very confident and daring : very bold and surprising or shocking

*They have audacious plans for the new school.*

**ballot**

*ˈbælət/ noun* a ticket or piece of paper used to vote in an election

*a paper ballot*

**boulevard**

*ˈbuləˌvɑːd/ noun* a wide and usually important street that often has trees, grass, or flowers planted down its center or along its sides

*walking down the boulevard*

**clearance**

*ˈklɪərəns/ noun* an official decision saying that someone has permission to do something

*You'll have to get clearance from management to go ahead with the project.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**cocoon**

/kə'ku:nɪŋ/ *verb* to cover or protect (someone or something) completely

*We were comfortably cocooned in our sleeping bags.*

**commander**

/kə'mændə/ *noun* a person who is in charge of a group of people

*the platoon/battalion commander*

**compliant**

/kəm'plajənt/ *adj* willing to do whatever you are asked or ordered to do : ready and willing to comply

*I asked him for a favor, and he was compliant.*

**congenial**

/kən'dʒi:nijəl/ *adj* suitable or appropriate

*The town is a congenial place for raising children.*

**decree**

/dɪ'kri:/ *noun* an official order given by a person with power or by a government

*The President issued a decree making the day a national holiday.*

**deficient**

/dɪ'fɪʃənt/ *adj* not having enough of something that is important or necessary

*a nutritionally deficient diet*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**dichotomy**

*/daɪˈkɔːtəmi/ noun* a difference between two opposite things : a division into two opposite groups

*Her essay discusses the dichotomy between good and evil in the author's novels.*

**digest**

*/daɪˈdʒɛst/ verb* to change (food that you have eaten) by a biological process into simpler forms that can be used by the body

*He has trouble digesting certain foods.*

**dilute**

*/daɪˈluːt/ verb* to make (a liquid) thinner or less strong by adding water or another liquid

*You can dilute the medicine with water.*

**energetic**

*/ˌɛnəˈdʒɛtɪk/ adj* having or showing a lot of energy

*She has an energetic personality.*

**excise**

*/ˈɛkˌsaɪz/ noun* a tax on certain things that are made, sold, or used within a country

*an excise imposed on a number of goods*

**heartbeat**

*/'hɑːtˌbi:t/ noun* the action or sound of the heart as it pumps blood

*The patient had a rapid heartbeat.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**hierarchy**

*/ˈhɑːjəˌrɑːki/ noun* a group that controls an organization and is divided into different levels

*The church hierarchy faced resistance to some of their/its decisions.*

**indelible**

*/ɪnˈdɛləbəl/ adj* impossible to remove or forget

*Her performance made an indelible impression on me.*

**intervene**

*/ˌɪntəˈviːn/ verb* to come or occur between two times or events

*Twenty years intervened between their first and last meetings.*

**mirror**

*/ˈmɪrə/ noun* a piece of glass that reflects images

*She saw her reflection in the mirror.*

**misguided**

*/ˌmɪsˈɡaɪdəd/ adj* having wrong or improper goals or values

*She's been getting a lot of bad advice from misguided friends.*

**monastery**

*/ˈmɑːnəˌsteri, Brit ˈmɑːnəstri/ noun* a place where monks live and work together

*a Catholic/Buddhist monastery*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**orphan**

*/ˈɒr-fən/ noun* a child whose parents are dead

*He was left an orphan when his parents died in a car accident.*

**parody**

*/ˈper-ə-di/ noun* a piece of writing, music, etc., that imitates the style of someone or something else in an amusing way

*a political parody*

**patrol**

*/pəˈtrɔʊl/ noun* the act of walking or going around or through an area, building, etc., in order to make sure that it is safe : the act of patrolling an area

*The guard makes a patrol of the building every hour.*

**precedent**

*/ˈpre-səd-ənt/ noun* a similar action or event that happened at an earlier time

*There are no precedents for these events.*

**quotation**

*/kwouˈteɪʃən/ noun* something that a person says or writes that is repeated or used by someone else in another piece of writing or a speech

*literary/illustrative quotations*

**rectitude**

*/ˈrektəˌtuːd, Brit ˈrektəˌtjuːd/ noun* the quality of being honest and morally correct

*No one questioned his moral rectitude.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**sedentary**

*/ˈsedn,teri, Brit ˈsedntri/ adj* doing or involving a lot of sitting : not doing or involving much physical activity

*Editing the dictionary is a sedentary job.*

**smudge**

*/ˈsmʌdʒ/ noun* a dirty mark, spot, streak, etc.

*His hand left a grimy smudge on the wall.*

**strenuous**

*/ˈstreɪnjəwəs/ adj* requiring or showing great energy and effort

*Avoid all strenuous exercise until the sprain heals.*

**suffocate**

*/ˈsʌfəˌkeɪt/ verb* to die because you are unable to breathe

*Don't put that pillow over her face--she could suffocate.*

**suspicion**

*/səˈspɪʃən/ noun* a feeling that someone is possibly guilty of a crime or of doing something wrong

*Her strange behavior has aroused suspicion.*

**Anglophone**

*/ˈæŋɡləˌfoʊn/ adj* having English as the main language

*the city's Anglophone population*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**absolution**

*/,æbsə'lu:ʃən/ noun* the act of forgiving someone for having done something wrong or sinful : the act of absolving someone or the state of being absolved  
*He asked the priest to give/grant him absolution for his sins.*

**aficionado**

*/ə,fiʃjə'nɑ:dou/ noun* a person who likes and knows a lot about something  
*an aficionado of poetry*

**amphibious**

*/æm'fɪbijəs/ adj* able to live both on land and in water  
*amphibious plants/animals*

**antiseptic**

*/,æntə'septɪk/ noun* a substance that prevents infection in a wound by killing bacteria  
*Clean the affected area with an antiseptic.*

**artificial**

*/,ɑ:tə'fiʃl/ adj* not natural or real : made, produced, or done to seem like something natural  
*artificial lighting/plants*

**bronchitis**

*/brɒn'kaɪtəs/ noun* an illness in which your bronchial tubes become sore or damaged and you cough a lot  
*acute/chronic bronchitis*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**butcher**

*/'bʊtʃə-/ noun* someone who cuts and sells meat in a shop  
*someone who cuts and sells meat in a shop*

**capability**

*/,keɪpə'bɪləti/ noun* the ability to do something  
*The device has the capability of recording two television channels at once.*

**competitor**

*/kəm'petətə-/ noun* someone who is trying to win or do better than all others especially in business or sports : someone who is competing  
*We offer better rates than our competitors.*

**consecrate**

*/'kɔːnsə,kreɪt/ verb* to officially make (something, such as a place or building) holy through a special religious ceremony  
*The church was consecrated in 1856.*

**fatigue**

*/fə'tiːg/ noun* the state of being very tired : extreme weariness  
*We were overcome by fatigue after the long journey.*

**filibuster**

*/'fɪlə,bʌstə-/ noun* an effort to prevent action in a legislature (such as the U.S. Senate or House of Representatives) by making a long speech or series of speeches  
*They engaged in a filibuster that lasted for over a week.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**houseguest**

*/ˈhaʊs.gɛst/ noun* a person who visits and usually stays in someone's home overnight

*We have houseguests this weekend.*

**impediment**

*/ɪmˈpɛdɪmənt/ noun* something that makes it difficult to do or complete something : something that interferes with movement or progress

*There were no legal impediments to the deal.*

**incense**

*/ˈɪn.sɛns/ noun* a substance that is used often in religious ceremonies to produce a strong and pleasant smell when it is burned

*a substance that is used often in religious ceremonies to produce a strong and pleasant smell when it is burned*

**infallible**

*/ɪnˈfæləbəl/ adj* not capable of being wrong or making mistakes : not fallible

*I never claimed to be infallible.*

**primary**

*/'praɪ.məri, Brit 'praɪməri/ adj* most important : main

*our primary objective/goal*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**process**

*/ˈprɑːsɛs, Brit ˈprəʊsɛs/ noun* a series of actions that produce something or that lead to a particular result

*costly manufacturing processes*

**reciprocal**

*/rɪˈsɪprəkəl/ adj* used to describe a relationship in which two people or groups agree to do something similar for each other, to allow each other to have the same rights, etc.

*a reciprocal trade agreement between two countries*

**resistance**

*/rɪˈzɪstəns/ noun* refusal to accept something new or different

*She sensed resistance from some of the staff regarding the changes in policy.*

**retrospect**

*/ˈrɛtrəˌspekt/ noun* when thinking about the past or something that happened in the past

*In retrospect, I made the right decision.*

**sufficient**

*/səˈfɪjənt/ adj* having or providing as much as is needed : enough

*A brisk walk is sufficient to raise your heart rate.*

**unknown**

*/ˌʌnˈnoʊn/ adj* not known

*a disease of unknown cause/origin*

Practice Wordlist, Part 2

**Olympian**

*/ə'ɒlɪmpɪjən/ noun* an athlete who competes in the Olympics  
*modern Olympians*

**buttress**

*/'bʌtrəs/ noun* a structure built against a wall in order to support or strengthen it  
*a structure built against a wall in order to support or strengthen it*

**caffeinated**

*/'kæfə,neɪtəd/ adj* containing caffeine  
*caffeinated beverages*

**detrimental**

*/'dɛtrə'mɛntl/ adj* causing damage or injury  
*The detrimental effects of overeating are well known.*

**disquiet**

*/dɪs'kwajət/ verb* to make (someone) worried or nervous  
*We were disquieted by the news.*

**disseminate**

*/dɪ'sɛmə,neɪt/ verb* to cause (something, such as information) to go to many people  
*The Internet allows us to disseminate information/news/ideas faster.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**fugitive**

*/ˈfjuːdʒətɪv/ noun* a person who is running away to avoid being captured  
*They discovered that the slave was a fugitive.*

**legislature**

*/ˈlɛdʒəˌsleɪtʃə-/ noun* a group of people with the power to make or change laws  
*Our legislature passed a law requiring people to wear safety belts.*

**mischievous**

*/ˈmɪstʃəvəs/ adj* causing or tending to cause annoyance or minor harm or damage  
*a mischievous puppy/child*

**parallel**

*/ˈperəˌleɪ/ adj* used to describe lines, paths, etc., that are the same distance apart along their whole length and do not touch at any point  
*parallel train tracks*

**penitent**

*/ˈpɛnətənt/ adj* feeling or showing sorrow and regret because you have done something wrong  
*a penitent sinner*

**penultimate**

*/pɪˈnʌltəmət/ adj* occurring immediately before the last one : next to the last  
*the penultimate chapter of the book*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**singular**

*/ˈsɪŋɡjələ-/ adj* showing or indicating no more than one thing

*In the phrase "his car is red," the word "car" is a singular noun.*

**solitary**

*/ˈsɔːləˌteri, Brit ˈsʊlətri/ adj* without anyone or anything else : not involving or including anyone or anything else

*a solitary traveler*

**acceleration**

*/ɪkˌsɛləˈreɪʃən/ noun* the act or process of moving faster or happening more quickly : the act or process of accelerating

*The car delivers quick/rapid acceleration.*

**assistant**

*/əˈsɪstənt/ noun* a person who helps someone

*a person who helps someone*

**barricade**

*/ˈberəˌkeɪd/ noun* a temporary wall, fence, or similar structure that is built to prevent people from entering a place or area

*The enemy broke through the barricade.*

**demonstrable**

*/dɪˈmɑːnstreɪbəl/ adj* able to be proven or shown : possible to demonstrate

*There is no demonstrable evidence that the treatment is effective.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**parachute**

*/ˈperəʃu:t/ noun* a piece of equipment usually made of cloth that is fastened to people or things and that allows them to fall slowly and land safely after they have jumped or been dropped from an aircraft

*The pilot was wearing a parachute.*

**principal**

*/ˈprɪnsəpəl/ adj* most important : chief

*Vegetables are the principal ingredients in this soup.*

**volunteer**

*/ˌvɒ:lənˈtiə-/ noun* a person who does work without getting paid to do it

*The school was built by volunteers.*

**Level 4 Words**

**steady**

*/ˈstɛdi/ adj* not shaking or moving : held firmly in one place or position

*She used a tripod to keep the camera steady.*

**mawkish**

*/ˈmɑ:kɪʃ/ adj* sad or romantic in a foolish or exaggerated way

*a mawkish love story*

**desperate**

*/ˈdɛsprət/ adj* very sad and upset because of having little or no hope : feeling or showing despair

*The collapse of her business had made her desperate.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**trait**

*/ˈtreɪt, Brit ˈtreɪ/ noun* a quality that makes one person or thing different from another

*Humility is an admirable trait.*

**mystical**

*/ˈmɪstɪkəl/ adj* having a spiritual meaning that is difficult to see or understand

*He has a mystical union/relationship with God.*

**oval**

*/ˈoʊvəl/ adj* having the shape of an egg : shaped like a circle that is longer than it is wide

*an oval mirror*

**demagogue**

*/ˈdɛməˌɡɑːɡ/ noun* a political leader who tries to get support by making false claims and promises and using arguments based on emotion rather than reason

*His opponent called him a bigoted demagogue.*

**quirk**

*/ˈkwɜːk/ noun* an unusual habit or way of behaving

*Everyone has their little quirks.*

**competitive**

*/kəmˈpetətɪv/ adj* of or relating to a situation in which people or groups are trying to win a contest or be more successful than others : relating to or involving competition

*competitive sports*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**flail**

*/ˈfleɪl/ verb* to move or swing your arms or legs in a wild and uncontrolled way  
*They were flailing their arms to drive away the insects.*

**employee**

*/ɪmˈplɔɪː, ɪmˈplɔɪː/ noun* a person who works for another person or for a company for wages or a salary  
*A good boss listens to his employees.*

**odious**

*/ˈoʊdijəs/ adj* causing hatred or strong dislike  
*It was one of the most odious crimes of recent history.*

**vault**

*/ˈvɔːlt/ noun* an arched structure that forms a ceiling or roof  
*They gazed up at the vault of the cathedral.*

**visage**

*/ˈvɪzɪdʒ/ noun* a person's face  
*his smiling visage*

**recur**

*/rɪˈkə-/ verb* to happen or appear again : to occur again  
*There is only a slight chance that the disease will recur.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**antique**

*/æn'ti:k/ adj* belonging to an earlier period, style, or fashion : old and often valuable

*antique furniture*

**creole**

*'kri:oul/ adj* relating to people who are Creoles or to their language

*Creole music*

**legible**

*'lɛdʒəbəl/ adj* capable of being read : clear enough to be read

*legible handwriting*

**knighthood**

*'naɪthud/ noun* the rank or title of a knight

*The Queen awarded a knighthood to the famous actor.*

**carouse**

*/kə'rauz/ verb* to drink alcohol, make noise, and have fun with other people

*My brother and his friends went out carousing last night.*

**honeycombed**

*'hʌni,koumd/ adj* having many holes or open spaces

*The car bumper includes a special honeycombed plastic.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**laurel**

*/ˈlɒrəl/ noun* an evergreen tree or bush with shiny pointed leaves

*laurel leaves*

**default**

*/dɪˈfɔːlt/ noun* used to describe something that happens or is done when nothing else has been done or can be done

*No one else wanted the job, so he became the club's president by default.*

**chemical**

*/'kɛmɪkəl/ adj* of or relating to chemistry

*a chemical analysis*

**capacity**

*/kəˈpæsəti/ noun* the ability to hold or contain people or things

*The restaurant has a large seating capacity.*

**adjacent**

*/əˈdʒeɪʃnt/ adj* close or near : sharing a border, wall, or point

*The other group is meeting in the adjacent room.*

**impugn**

*/ɪmˈpjuːn/ verb* to criticize (a person's character, intentions, etc.) by suggesting that someone is not honest and should not to be trusted

*He impugned his rival's character.*

Practice Wordlist, Part 2

**vale**

*/ˈveɪl/ noun valley*

*hills and vales*

**pleasure**

*/ˈpleɪʒə/ noun a feeling of happiness, enjoyment, or satisfaction : a pleasant or pleasing feeling*

*I paint for the pure pleasure of it.*

**regime**

*/reɪˈʒi:m/ noun a form of government*

*a socialist/Communist/military regime*

**premiere**

*/priˈmiə-, Brit ˈpremiːə/ noun the first time a film, play, television show, etc., is shown or performed*

*The movie will have its premiere next week.*

**cleave**

*/ˈkli:v/ verb to split (something) by hitting it with something heavy and sharp*

*The ax easily cleaves the log.*

**parcel**

*ˈpɑːsəl/ noun a section or area of land*

*Several 10-acre parcels (of land) are available.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**lure**

*/ˈluə-/ verb* to cause or persuade (a person or an animal) to go somewhere or to do something by offering some pleasure or gain

*advertisers trying to lure a younger audience to their products*

**pony**

*/ˈpouni/ noun* a small horse

*He rode a pony.*

**sacred**

*/ˈseɪkrəd/ adj* worthy of religious worship : very holy

*a sacred shrine*

**censor**

*/ˈsɛnsə-/ noun* a person who examines books, movies, letters, etc., and removes things that are considered to be offensive, immoral, harmful to society, etc.

*Government censors deleted all references to the protest.*

**prophet**

*/ˈprɑːfət/ noun* a member of some religions (such as Christianity, Judaism, and Islam) who delivers messages that are believed to have come from God

*the Old Testament prophets*

**cavalier**

*/ˌkævəˈliə-/ adj* having or showing no concern for something that is important or serious

*They are too cavalier in their treatment of others.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**ancestor**

*/ˈæŋsɛstə/ noun* a person who was in someone's family in past times : one of the people from whom a person is descended

*My ancestors came to America during the 1800s.*

**deceitful**

*/dɪˈsiːtʃəl/ adj* not honest : making or trying to make someone believe something that is not true

*a scheming, deceitful person*

**aplomb**

*/əˈplɑːm/ noun* confidence and skill shown especially in a difficult situation

*He showed great aplomb in dealing with the reporters.*

**salvage**

*/ˈsælvɪdʒ/ noun* the act of saving something (such as a building, a ship, or cargo) that is in danger of being completely destroyed

*The ship was beyond salvage.*

**riddance**

*/ˈrɪdɪns/ noun* used to say that you are glad that someone is leaving or that something has gone

*"Did you hear? Jack is leaving for a new job." "Well, good riddance (to him)! We'll be better off without him!"*

Practice Wordlist, Part 2

**streaky**

*/ˈstri:ki/ adj* having or showing streaks

*streaky windows*

**flair**

*/ˈfleə-/ noun* a natural ability to do something

*He has a flair for storytelling.*

**coerce**

*/kouˈə:s/ verb* to make (someone) do something by using force or threats

*He was coerced into signing the confession.*

**allude**

*/əˈlu:d/ verb* to speak of or mention (something or someone) in an indirect way

*I'm interested in hearing more about the technology you alluded to a minute ago.*

**economy**

*/ɪˈkɑ:nəmi/ noun* the process or system by which goods and services are produced, sold, and bought in a country or region

*The war altered the country's economy.*

**hypnotism**

*/ˈhɪpnəˌtɪzəm/ noun* the act or practice of putting people into a state of hypnosis

*a psychologist who employs hypnotism to treat his patients*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**bestow**

*/bɪ'stəʊl/ verb* to give (something) as a gift or honor

*The university bestowed on/upon her an honorary degree.*

**deposit**

*/dɪ'pɔːzət/ verb* to put (money) in a bank account

*Your paycheck will be automatically deposited into your account.*

**ascension**

*/ə'sɛnʃən/ noun* the act of rising or ascending

*the ascension of a balloon*

**recycle**

*/rɪ'saɪkəl/ verb* to make something new from (something that has been used before)

*The company recycles plastic.*

**Martian**

*/'mɑːʃən/ adj* of or relating to the planet Mars

*the Martian landscape*

**regal**

*/'riːgəl/ adj* of, relating to, or suitable for a king or queen

*He has a regal bearing.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**rotary**

*/ˈrəʊtəri/ adj* turning around a central point like a wheel

*a rotary blade*

**plantain**

*/ˈplæntɪn/ noun* a greenish fruit that comes from a kind of banana plant and is eaten after it has been cooked

*a fried plantain*

**electricity**

*/ɪˌlekˈtrɪsəti/ noun* a form of energy that is carried through wires and is used to operate machines, lights, etc.

*Electricity can be dangerous.*

**waistline**

*/ˈweɪstˌlaɪn/ noun* the distance around the narrowest part of your waist

*The diet claims it will reduce your waistline in just four weeks.*

**conversational**

*/ˌkɔːnvəˈseɪʃənl/ adj* relating to or suggesting informal talk : relating to or suggesting conversation

*conversational skills*

**desirable**

*/dɪˈzaɪrəbəl/ adj* having good or pleasing qualities : worth having or getting

*The house is in a highly desirable location/neighborhood.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**ghost**

*/'goust/ noun* the soul of a dead person thought of as living in an unseen world or as appearing to living people

*a house haunted by ghosts*

**cacao**

*/kə'kau/ noun* the dried seeds of a tropical tree that are used to make cocoa and chocolate

*a farmer who grows cacao*

**whirl**

*/'wɜːrəl/ verb* to move or go in a circle or curve especially with force or speed

*The cars were whirling around the track.*

**streaming**

*/'stri:mɪŋ/ adj* playing continuously as data is sent to a computer over the Internet

*streaming audio/media/video*

**solace**

*/'sɔ:ləs/ noun* someone or something that gives a feeling of comfort to a person who is sad, depressed, etc. : a source of comfort

*Her presence was a great solace for/to me.*

**sweetie**

*/'swi:ti/ noun* a person you love very much

*My sweetie and I will be at the party.*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**murmur**

*/ˈmɜːmə/ noun* a low sound made when many people are speaking  
*a murmur of voices*

**gown**

*/ˈgaʊn/ noun* a long, formal dress that a woman wears especially during a special event  
*The bride wore a lovely lace wedding gown.*

**appoint**

*/əˈpɔɪnt/ verb* to choose (someone) to have a particular job : to give (someone) a position or duty  
*The President appointed him (as) Secretary of Education.*

**despise**

*/dɪˈspaɪz/ verb* to dislike (something or someone) very much  
*He despises pop music.*

**reminisce**

*/ˌrɛməˈnɪs/ verb* to talk, think, or write about things that happened in the past  
*He reminisced with old buddies at his high school reunion.*

**illiterate**

*/ɪˈlɪtərət/ adj* not knowing how to read or write  
*an illiterate person*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**foreknowledge**

/ˌfoʊəˈnɑːlɪdʒ/ *noun* knowledge of something before it happens or exists

*He denied any foreknowledge of the crime.*

**spry**

/'sprɑɪ/ *adj* full of life and energy

*She's 64 and still as spry as she was at 30.*

**enormity**

/ɪˈnɒəˌmɛti/ *noun* a shocking, evil, or immoral act

*the enormities of war*

**weatherproof**

/'wɛ{eth}əˌpruːf/ *adj* not able to be changed or damaged by the effects of the sun, wind, rain, etc.

*The material is weatherproof and will not rot from moisture.*

**crochet**

/krouʃeɪ/ *noun* a method of making cloth or clothing by using a needle with a hook at the end to form and weave loops in a thread

*She learned basic crochet stitches from her mother.*

**logical**

/'lɒːdʒɪkəl/ *adj* agreeing with the rules of logic : sensible or reasonable

*a logical argument/conclusion/decision*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**cache**

*/ˈkæʃ/ noun* a group of things that have been hidden in a secret place because they are illegal or have been stolen

*a weapons cache used by terrorists*

**scourge**

*/ˈskɔːdʒ/ noun* someone or something that causes a great amount of trouble or suffering

*a city ravaged by the scourge of unemployment/poverty*

**genre**

*/ˈɛnːrəl/ noun* a particular type or category of literature or art

*a literary/film/musical genre*

**ascertain**

*/ˌæʃəˈteɪn/ verb* to learn or find out (something, such as information or the truth)

*They were unable to ascertain the cause of the fire.*

**channel**

*/ˈtʃænl/ noun* a television or radio station

*The TV program airs at 8:00 p.m. on Channel 5.*

**fastening**

*/ˈfæʃnɪŋ, Brit ˈfɑːʃnɪŋ/ noun* something that fastens one thing to another thing

*a coat with button and loop fastenings*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**fulsome**

*/ˈfʊlsəm/ adj* expressing something (such as praise or thanks) in a very enthusiastic or emotional way

*They were fulsome in their praise of her efforts.*

**farce**

*/ˈfɑːs/ noun* a funny play or movie about ridiculous situations and events

*a funny play or movie about ridiculous situations and events*

**intercept**

*/ˌɪntəˈsept/ verb* to stop and take someone or something that is going from one place to another place before that person or thing gets there

*Detectives have been intercepting her mail.*

**knave**

*/ˈneɪv/ noun* a dishonest man

*fools and knaves*

**efficient**

*/ɪˈfɪʃənt/ adj* capable of producing desired results without wasting materials, time, or energy

*an efficient worker*

**jowl**

*/'dʒawəl/ noun* loose flesh on the cheeks, lower jaw, or throat

*a man with heavy jowls*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**plumage**

*/ˈplʌmɪdʒ/ noun* the feathers that cover the body of a bird

*The peacock has colorful plumage.*

**fiendish**

*/ˈfiːndɪʃ/ adj* very evil or cruel

*a fiendish murderer*

**architect**

*/ˈɑːkəˌtekt/ noun* a person who designs buildings

*a famous architect*

**horrendous**

*/həˈrɛndəs/ adj* very bad or unpleasant : horrible

*horrendous crimes*

**splurge**

*/ˈsplɜːdʒ/ verb* to spend more money than usual on something for yourself

*You should let yourself splurge once in a while.*

**climate**

*/ˈklaɪmət/ noun* a region with particular weather patterns or conditions

*living in a cold/dry/mild/hot climate*

**liverwurst**

*/ˈlɪvəˌwɜːst/ noun* a type of soft sausage made chiefly of cooked liver

*a pound of liverwurst*

**Practice Wordlist, Part 2**

**hypothesis**

*/ˌhaɪˈpɔːθəsəs/ noun* an idea or theory that is not proven but that leads to further study or discussion

*Other chemists rejected his hypothesis.*

**martial**

*/'mɑːʃəl/ adj* of or relating to war or soldiers

*martial music*

**psyche**

*/'saɪki/ noun* the soul, mind, or personality of a person or group

*some hidden corner within your psyche*

**variety**

*/'vəriəti/ noun* a number or collection of different things or people

*The talks covered a wide variety of topics.*

**surge**

*/'sɜːdʒ/ verb* to move very quickly and suddenly in a particular direction

*We all surged toward the door.*