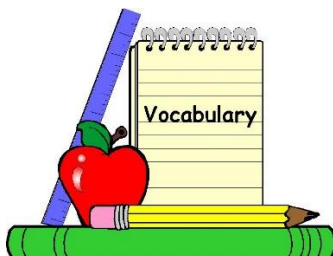


Vision 2

Lesson 1



lan • guage / 'læŋgwɪdʒ / *noun*

(**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS**)

1 [count] words that people from a particular country say and write
“Do you speak any foreign languages?” “Yes, I speak French and Italian.”

2 [noncount] words that people use to speak and write
This word is not often used in spoken language.

a • vail • a • ble / ə'veɪləbl / *adjective*

ready for you to use, have, or see

I called the hotel to ask if there were any rooms available.

I'm sorry – the manager is not available this afternoon.

die 1 / daɪ / *verb* (**dies** , **dy • ing** , **died** , **has died**)

to stop living

People, animals, and plants die if they don't have water.

She died of cancer.

deaf / dɛf / *adjective* (**deaf • er** , **deaf • est**)

(**HEALTH**) not able to hear anything or not able to hear very well

My grandma's starting to go deaf.

television subtitles for the deaf (= people who cannot hear)

sign lan • guage / 'saɪn ,læŋgwɪdʒ / *noun* [noncount]

(**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS**) a language that uses movements of the hands. It is used especially by people who cannot hear.

com • mu • ni • cate / kə'myʊnəkeɪt / *verb* (**com • mu • ni • cates** , **com • mu • ni • cat • ing** , **com • mu • ni • cat • ed**)

to share and exchange information, ideas, or feelings with someone

Parents often find it difficult to communicate with their children.

park • ing lot / 'pɑ:kɪŋ lɑ:t / *noun* [count]

an area or a building where you can leave your car for a time

qui • et 1 / 'kwɑɪət / *adjective* (**qui • et • er** , **qui • et • est**)

1 making very little noise

Be quiet – the baby's asleep.

a quiet voice

ANTONYM **loud, noisy**

2 without many people or without many things happening

It's very quiet downtown on Sundays.

qui • et • ly / 'kwaɪətli / *adverb*

Please close the door quietly.

surf 1 / sɜːf / *verb* (**surfs** , **surf • ing** , **surfed**)

(**SPORTS**) to stand or lie on a long piece of wood or plastic (called a **surfboard**) and ride on a wave

surf the Net ; **surf the Internet**

to use the Internet

He spends hours every day surfing the Net.

be • sides / bɪ'saɪdz / *preposition, adverb*

as well as someone or something; also

We have lots of things in common besides music.

I don't really want to go. Besides, it's too late now.

moth • er tongue / ,mʌðər 'tʌŋ / *noun* [count]

(**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS**) the first language you learn to speak as a child

ex • pe • ri • ence 1 / ɪk'spɪəriəns / *noun*

1 [noncount] knowing about something because you have seen it or done it

She has four years' teaching experience.

Do you have much experience of working with children?

2 [count] something that has happened to you

He wrote a book about his experiences in South America.

ab • so • lute • ly / 'æbsə'lʊtli ; ,æbsə'lʊtli / *adverb*

1 completely

I was absolutely certain that it was her.

2 (used when you are strongly agreeing with someone) yes; certainly

"It's a good idea, isn't it?" "Oh, absolutely!"

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ear • ly / 'ɜːli / *adjective, adverb* (**ear • li • er** , **ear • li • est**)

1 near the beginning of a period of time

Come in the early afternoon.

She was in her early twenties (= aged between 20 and about 23 or 24).

I have to get up early tomorrow.

2 before the usual or right time

The train arrived ten minutes early.

You're early! It's only six-thirty.

I was early for class.

ANTONYM **late**

hon • est / 'anəst / *adjective*

A person who is **honest** says what is true and does not steal, lie, or cheat
She's a very honest person.

Be honest – do you really like this dress?

ANTONYM **dishonest**

point 1 / pɔɪnt / *noun* [count]

1 a fact, an idea, or an opinion

You made some interesting points (= said some interesting things) in your essay.

*Look at **point of view**.*

2 the purpose of, or the reason for, doing something

The point of going to school is to learn.

What's the point of going to her house? She's not at home.

There's no point in waiting for Julie – she isn't coming.

in • ter • view 2 / 'ɪntərvju / *verb* (**in • ter • views** , **in • ter • view • ing** , **in • ter • viewed**)

to ask someone questions in an interview

They interviewed six people for the job.

in • ter • view • er / 'ɪntərvjuə / *noun* [count]

The interviewer asked me why I wanted the job.

pro • ject 1 / 'prɒdʒekt / *noun* [count]

1 a big plan to do something

a project to build a new airport

The research project will be funded by the government.

2 a piece of work that you do at school. You find out a lot about something and write about it

We did a project on the Civil War.

mas • ter 2 / 'mæstə / *verb* (**mas • ters** , **mas • ter • ing** , **mas • tered**)

to learn how to do something well

It takes a long time to master a foreign language.

re • gion / 'rɪdʒən / *noun* [count]

(**GEOGRAPHY**) a part of a country or of the world

tropical regions of the world

con • ti • nent / 'kɒntənənt / *noun* [count]

(**GEOGRAPHY**) one of the seven main areas of land in the world, for example Africa, Asia, or Europe

ex • ist / ɪg'zɪst / *verb* (**ex • ists** , **ex • ist • ing** , **ex • ist • ed**)

to be real; to live

Does life exist on other planets?

That word does not exist.

na • tive 1 / 'neɪtɪv / *adjective*

connected with the place where you were born

I returned to my native country.

My native language is English.

range 2 / reɪndʒ / *verb* (**rang • es** , **rang • ing** , **ranged**)

to be at different points between two things

The ages of the students in the class range from 18 to 50.

pop • u • lar / 'pɒpjələ / *adjective*

liked by a lot of people

Baseball is a popular sport in the U.S.

ANTONYM **unpopular**

per • cent / pər'sent / *noun* [count] (*plural* **per • cent**) (*symbol* %)

(**MATH**) one part in every hundred

90 percent of the people who work here are men (= in 100 people, there are 90 men).

You get 10% off if you pay cash.

i • mag • ine / ɪ'mædʒən / *verb* (**i • mag • ines** , **i • mag • in • ing** , **i • mag • ined**)

1 to make a picture of something in your mind

Can you imagine life without electricity?

I closed my eyes and imagined I was lying on a beach.

2 to see, hear, or think something that is not true

I never said that – you're imagining things.

3 to think that something is probably true

I imagine he'll be coming by car.

cen • tu • ry / 'sentʃəri / *noun* [count] (*plural* **cen • tu • ries**)

a period of 100 years

People have been making wine in this area for centuries.

We are living at the beginning of the twenty-first century.

means / mi:nz / *noun* [count] (*plural* **means**)

a way of doing something; a way of going somewhere

by means of something

(*formal*)

by using something

We crossed the river by means of a small bridge.

ex • plain / ɪkˈspleɪn / *verb* (**ex • plains** , **ex • plain • ing** , **ex • plained**)

1 to tell someone about something so that they understand it

The teacher usually explains the new words to us.

He explained how to use the machine.

2 to give a reason for something

I explained why we needed the money.

so • ci • e • ty / səˈsaɪəti / *noun* (plural **so • ci • e • ties**)

1 [noncount] a large group of people who live in the same country or area and have the same ideas about how to live

They carried out research into the roles of men and women in today's society.

a • bil • i • ty / əˈbɪləti / *noun* [count, noncount] (plural **a • bil • i • ties**)

the power and knowledge to do something

She has the ability to pass the test, but she needs to work harder.

var • y / ˈvəri / *verb* (**var • ies** , **var • y • ing** , **var • ied** , **has var • ied**)

1 to be different from each other, or to change according to the situation

Class sizes vary from 8 to 15.

The price varies according to the quality.

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make 1 / meɪk / *verb* (**makes** , **mak • ing** , **made** / meɪd / **has made**)

1 to produce or create something

They make cars in that factory.

He made a box out of some pieces of wood.

This shirt is made of cotton.

make up to become friends again after an argument

Laura and Tom had an argument last week, but they've made up now.

Has she made up with him yet?

de • spite / dɪˈspaɪt / *preposition*

although something happened or is true; not noticing or not caring about something

We decided to go out despite the bad weather.

SYNONYM **in spite of**

no • tice 2 / ˈnəʊtɪs / *noun*

1 [noncount] the act of paying attention to someone or something

The protests are finally making the government take notice.

I didn't take any notice of what she said.

weath • er / ˈweðər / *noun* [noncount]

(**GEOGRAPHY**) how much sun, rain, or wind there is at a certain time, or how hot or cold it is

What's the weather like where you are?

We had bad weather last week.

hu • man 2 / 'hyumən / (also **hu • man be • ing** / ,hyumən 'biŋ /) **noun** [count]
a person

Dogs can hear much better than humans.

to • geth • er / tə'gɛðər / **adverb**

1 with each other or close to each other

John and Lisa usually walk home together.

They live together.

pop • u • la • tion / ,pɒpyə'leɪʃn / **noun** [count]

(**GEOGRAPHY**) the number of people who live in a place

What is the population of your country?

en • joy / ɪn'dʒɔɪ / **verb** (**en • joys** , **en • joy • ing** , **en • joyed**)

to like something very much

I enjoy playing soccer.

Did you enjoy your dinner?

com • mu • ni • ca • tion / kə'myʊnə'keɪʃn / **noun**

1 [noncount] sharing or exchanging information, feelings, or ideas with someone

Communication is difficult when two people don't speak the same language.

ex • change 2 / ɪks'tʃeɪndʒ / **verb** (**ex • chang • es** , **ex • chang • ing** , **ex • changed**)

to give one thing and get another thing for it

I would like to exchange this skirt for a bigger size.

We exchanged phone numbers.

mil • lion / 'mɪljən / **number**

1 1,000,000; one thousand thousand

About 4 million people live in this city .

in • ter • na • tion • al / ,ɪntər'næʃənl / **adjective**

between different countries

international relations

an international flight

val • u • a • ble / 'vælyəbl / *adjective*

1 worth a lot of money

Is this ring valuable?

2 very useful

The book contains some valuable information.

a • maz • ing / ə'meɪzɪŋ / *adjective*

If something is **amazing**, it surprises you very much and is difficult to believe

I have an amazing story to tell you.

The concert was amazing – I didn't want it to end.

im • pos • si • ble / ɪm'pɒsəbl / *adjective*

If something is **impossible**, you cannot do it, or it cannot happen

It's impossible for me to finish this work by five o'clock.

The house was impossible to find.

ANTONYM **possible**

mat • ter 1 / 'mætər / *noun*

1 [count] something that you must talk about or do

There is a matter I would like to discuss with you.

no matter how, what, when, who, etc.

words that you use to say that something is always true

No matter how (= however) hard I try, I can't open the door.

I'll help you, no matter what (= whatever) happens.

there • fore / 'ðerfər / *adverb*

for that reason

Simon was busy, and therefore could not come to the meeting.

grow / gru / *verb* (**grows**, **grow • ing**, **grew** / gru / **has grown** / gru:n /)

1 to become bigger

Children grow very quickly.

2 When a plant **grows** somewhere, it lives there

Oranges grow in warm countries.

3 to plant something in the ground and take care of it

We grow vegetables in our garden.

4 to allow your hair or nails to grow

Mark has grown a beard.

5 to become

It was growing dark.

SYNONYM **get**

great • ly / 'gretli / *adverb*

very much

I wasn't greatly surprised to see her there.

wish / wɪʃ / *noun* [count] (plural **wish • es**)

1 a feeling that you want to do or have something

I have no wish to go.

2 an act of trying to make something happen by saying you want it to happen or by hoping that it will happen

Close your eyes and make a wish!

near • ly / 'nɪrli / *adverb*

almost; not completely or exactly

He's nearly 90 – it's his birthday next week.

She was so sick that she nearly died.

large • ly / 'lɑ:dʒli / *adverb*

mostly

The room is largely used for meetings.

SYNONYM **mainly**

bot • tle / 'bɒtl / *noun* [count]

a glass or plastic container for liquids, with a thin part at the top

a beer bottle

They drank two bottles of water.

cook • ie / 'kɒki / *noun* [count]

a kind of cake that is small, thin, and sweet

Let's bake cookies.

a chocolate chip cookie

math • e • mat • ics / ,mæθ'mætɪks /

(*formal*)

(also **math**) *noun* [noncount]

(**MATH**) the study of numbers, measurements, and shapes

Mathematics is my favorite subject.

math / mæθ / *noun* [noncount]

short for **mathematics**

He's really good at math.

a math class

neigh • bor / 'neɪbər / *noun* [count]

1 a person who lives near you

Don't make so much noise, or you'll wake the neighbors.

our next-door neighbors

2 a person or thing that is next to or near another

The United States is Canada's neighbor.

Try not to look at what your neighbor is writing.

laugh 1 / læf / *verb* (**laughs** , **laugh • ing** , **laughed**)

to make sounds to show that you are happy or that you think something is funny

His jokes always make me laugh.

laugh at someone or something to laugh to show that you think someone or something is funny or silly

The children laughed at the clown.

They all laughed at me when I said I was afraid of spiders.

dic • tion • ar • y / 'dɪkʃə, nəri / *noun* [count] (*plural dic • tion • ar • ies*)

(**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS**) a book that gives words from A to Z and explains what each word means

Look up the words in your dictionary.