Vision 2 -Lesson 3



pow • er / 'paʊər / noun

1 [noncount] the ability to control people or things; the ability to do things *The president has a lot of power*.

I did everything in my power (= everything I could do) *to help her.*

 $\mathbf{2}$ [noncount] the energy or strength that someone or something has

The ship was helpless against the power of the storm.

3 [noncount] energy that can be collected and used for making machines work, making electricity, etc.

nuclear power

4 [count] the right to do something

Police officers have the power to arrest people.

5 [count] a strong person or country

There is a meeting of world powers next week.

6 [count , usually singular] (MATH) the number of times that a number is to be multiplied by itself

4 to the power of 3 is 4 3 (= $4 \times 4 \times 4 = 64$).

art / art / noun

1 [noncount] ($\ensuremath{\textbf{ART}}$) making things such as paintings and drawings for people to look at

He's studying art at college.

brain / brein / noun

1 [count] the part inside the head of a person or an animal that thinks and feels *The brain controls the rest of the body*.

Look at the picture at **body**.

2 [count, noncount] the ability to think clearly; being intelligent *He doesn't have the brains to be a doctor*.

ac • tiv • i • ty / æk'trvəti / noun (plural ac • tiv • i • ties)

[noncount] a lot of things happening and people doing things
 On the day of the festival there was a lot of activity in the streets.
 [count] something that you do, usually regularly and because you enjoy it
 The hotel offers a range of sports activities.

math / mæθ / noun [noncount]
short for mathematics
He's really good at math.
a math class
math • e • mat • ics / mæθ'mæţiks /
(formal)
(also math) noun [noncount]
(MATH) the study of numbers, measurements, and shapes
Mathematics is my favorite subject.

so • cia • ble / 'soofəbl / adjective friendly and enjoying being with other people
least / list / adjective, pronoun, adverb
1 the smallest amount of something
Sue has a lot of money, Jan has less, and Kate has the least.
ANTONYM most
2 less than all others
I bought the least expensive tickets.
ANTONYM most

at least

not less than
 It will cost at least \$50. although other things are bad
 We're not rich, but at least we're happy. not in the least

not at all

"Are you angry?" "Not in the least!"

craft / kræft / noun [count]

a job or activity for which you need skill with your hands

Pottery is a traditional craft.

car • pet / 'karpət / noun [count]

a soft covering for a floor that is often made of wool and is usually the same size as the floor

Look at rug.

pot • ter • y / 'pateri / noun [noncount]
1 cups, plates, and other things that are made from clay (= heavy earth that becomes hard when it is baked in an oven)
This shop sells beautiful pottery.
2 (ART) the activity of making cups, plates, and other things from clay Her hobby is pottery.
tile / tail / noun [count]
a flat, square object. We use tiles for covering roofs, walls, and floors.

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tile verb (tiles , til • ing , tiled)

Dad is tiling the bathroom.

paint • ing / 'peintin / noun [count]

(ART) a picture that someone makes with paint a painting by Norman Rockwell He did a painting of the bridge. cheer • ful / 'tſırfl / adjective happy a cheerful smile You don't look very cheerful today. What's the matter? cheer • ful • ly / 'tʃırfəli / adverb work • shop / 'wərkfap / noun [count] 1 a place where people make or repair things 2 a time when people meet and work together to learn about something We went to a drama workshop. proud / praud / adjective (proud • er , proud • est) 1 pleased about something that you or others have done or about something that you have They are very proud of their new house. 2 thinking that you are better than other people She was too proud to say she was sorry. The noun is **pride**. proud • ly / 'praudli / adverb "I made this myself," he said proudly. hope • ful / 'hoopfl / adjective If you are **hopeful**, you think that something that you want will happen I'm hopeful about getting a job. bored / bord / adjective not interested; unhappy because you have nothing interesting to do I'm bored with this book. *The children were bored stiff* (= extremely bored). bore • dom / 'bordəm / noun [noncount] I started to eat too much out of boredom. busi • ness / 'biznəs / noun (plural busi • ness • es) **1** [noncount] buying and selling things I want to go into business when I leave school. Business is not very good this year. 2 [noncount] the work that you do as your job The manager will be away on business next week. a business trip **3** [count] a place where people sell or make things, for example a store or factory it's none of your business; mind your own business words that you use to tell someone rudely that you do not want to tell them about something private "Where are you going?" "Mind your own business!" crafts • man / 'kræftsmən / noun [count] (plural crafts • men / 'kræftsmən /) a person who is good at making things with their hands furniture made by local craftsmen

luck • y / 'l^ki / adjective (luck • i • er, luck • i • est) 1 having good luck She is lucky to be alive after the accident. **ANTONYM unlucky** 2 bringing success or good luck *My lucky number is 3.* **ANTONYM unlucky** luck • i • ly / 'lʌkəli / adverb it is lucky that I was late, but luckily they waited for me. ap • pre • ci • ate / ə'prifient / verb (ap • pre • ci • ates , ap • pre • ci • at • ing , ap • $pre \cdot ci \cdot at \cdot ed$) 1 to be grateful for something that someone has done for you Thank you for your help. I appreciate it. 2 to enjoy something or understand how good someone or something is Van Gogh's paintings were only appreciated after his death. *My boss doesn't appreciate me.* **3** to understand that something is true I don't think you appreciate how expensive it will be. hand • made / hænd meid / adjective made by a person, not by a machine handmade chocolates prod • uct / 'pradAkt / noun [count] 1 something that people make or grow to sell The company has just launched a new product. 2 (MATH) the amount you get if you multiply one number by another The product of three and five is fifteen. sell / sel / verb (sells , sell • ing , sold / sould / has sold) to give something to someone who pays you money for it I sold my guitar for \$400. He sold me a ticket. Drugstores usually sell cigarettes. Look at buy. sell out; be sold out to be sold completely so that there are no more left *I* went to the store to buy a newspaper, but they had all sold out. The concert was sold out weeks ago. sell out of something to sell all that you have of something I'm afraid we're sold out of milk. met • al / 'mɛtl / noun [count] (CHEMISTRY) a solid substance that is usually hard and shiny, such as iron, silver, or gold This chair is made of metal. a metal box ex • pen • sive / ık'spɛnsıv / adjective Something that is **expensive** costs a lot of money

expensive clothes The meal was very expensive. ANTONYM cheap price / prais / noun [count] how much money you pay to buy something The price is \$15. Prices in this country are high.

de • pend / dɪ'pɛnd / verb (de • pends , de • pend • ing , de • pend • ed) depend on someone or something

1 to trust someone; to feel sure that someone or something will do what you want *I know I can depend on my friends to help me*.

2 to need someone or something

She still depends on her parents for money because she doesn't have a job. **it depends ; that depends**

words that you use to show that something is not certain

I don't know whether I'll see him. It depends what time he gets here.

"Can you lend me some money?" "That depends. How much do you want?" mo • sa • ic / mov'zeIIk / noun [count, noncount]

(ART) a picture or pattern that is made by placing together small stones, pieces of glass, etc.

touch $2 / t_{At} \int / noun (plural touch \cdot es)$

 $1 \ [\ count \ , \ usually singular \] the action of putting a hand or finger on someone or something$

I felt the touch of his hand on my arm.

2 [noncount] the feeling in your hands and skin that tells you about something *We had to feel our way by touch*.

be or keep in touch with someone

to meet, call, or write to someone often

Are you still in touch with Kevin?

Let's keep in touch.

get in touch with someone

to write to, or call someone

I'm trying to get in touch with my cousin.

lose touch with someone

to stop meeting, calling, or writing to someone *I've lost touch with all my old friends from school.*

dis • **count** / 'diskaont / *noun* [count, noncount]

uis count / diskdoint / noun [count, noncount]

money that someone takes away from the price of something to make it cheaper

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Seniors often get a discount on rail travel.

both / booθ / *adjective*, *pronoun*

the two; not only one but also the other

Hold it in both hands.

Both her brothers are doctors.

Both of us like dancing.

We both like dancing.

both ... and

not only ... but also She is both rich and intelligent. in • ter • est • ed / 'intrəstəd / adjective wanting to know more about someone or something Are you interested in cars? book • let / 'boklət / noun [count] a small thin book that gives information about something dec • o • ra • tive / 'dɛkərətɪv / adjective added to make something look attractive a tablecloth with a decorative lace edge clock / klak / noun [count] a thing that shows you what time it is an alarm clock vast / væst / adjective very big Australia is a vast country. SYNONYM enormous, huge

fin • ger • print / 'fiŋgərprint / noun [count] the mark that a finger makes when it touches something The police found his fingerprints on the gun. **u** • nique / yu'nik / *adjective* not like anyone or anything else Everyone in the world is unique. di • ver • si • ty / dəˈvərsəti / noun [noncount] a range of many people or things that are different from each other the cultural diversity of a big city SYNONYM variety rug / rʌg / noun [count] a piece of thick material that you put on the floor Look at carpet. 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. gold / goold / noun [noncount] (symbol Au) a yellow metal that is very valuable Is your ring made of gold? a gold watch gold adjective made of gold; with the color of gold gold jewelry gold paint

sil • ver 1 / 'sɪlvər / *noun* [noncount] 1 (symbol Ag) (CHEMISTRY) a shiny gray metal that is valuable a silver necklace 2 things that are made of silver, for example knives, forks, and dishes The thieves stole some valuable silver. cus • tom / 'kAstəm / noun [count] something that a group of people usually do the custom of giving gifts at Christmas It's a local custom. tra • di • tion • al / trəˈdɪʃənəl / adjective connected with the things that a particular group of people have done or believed for a long time It is traditional to eat turkey on Thanksgiving. traditional holiday decorations tra • di • tion • al • ly / trəˈdɪʃənəli / adverb Driving trains was traditionally a man's job. **i** • **den** • **ti** • **ty** / **a**['] **dent** • **ti** • **tien**) [count, noncount] (*plural* **i** • **den** • **ti** • **ties**) who or what a person or thing is The identity of the killer is not known. re • flect / ri'flekt / verb (re • flects , re • flect • ing , re • flect • ed) 1 to show a picture of someone or something in a mirror, water, or glass She could see herself reflected in the mirror. 2 (PHYSICS) to send back light, heat, or sound The windows reflected the bright morning sunshine. **3** to show something His music reflects his interest in African culture. hu • man 2 / hyumən / (also hu • man be • ing / hyumən bim /) noun [count] a person Dogs can hear much better than humans. ap • pre • ci • ate / ə'prifient / verb (ap • pre • ci • ates , ap • pre • ci • at • ing , ap • $pre \cdot ci \cdot at \cdot ed$) 1 to be grateful for something that someone has done for you Thank you for your help. I appreciate it. 2 to enjoy something or understand how good someone or something is Van Gogh's paintings were only appreciated after his death. *My* boss doesn't appreciate me. 3 to understand that something is true I don't think you appreciate how expensive it will be. val • ue 1 / 'vælyu / noun 1 [count] how much money you can sell something for The thieves stole goods with a total value of \$100,000. 2 [count, noncount] how much something is worth compared with its price The hotel is a good value, with rooms at \$80 a night. 3 [noncount] how useful or important something is Their help was of great value.

4 values [plural] your beliefs about what is the right and wrong way to behave *Do young people today have a different set of values?*

 $e \cdot con \cdot o \cdot my / 1$ 'kanəmi / *noun* (*plural* $e \cdot con \cdot o \cdot mies$)

1 (**BUSINESS**, **POLITICS**) [count] the way that a country spends its money and makes, buys, and sells things

the economies of Japan and Germany

2 [count, noncount] using money or things well and carefully

We need to make some economies.

skill • ful / 'skilfl / adjective

very good at doing something

a very skillful tennis player

skill • ful • ly / 'skilfəli / adverb

He chopped the vegetables quickly and skillfully.

in • tro • duce / intrə dus / verb (in • tro • duc • es , in • tro • duc • ing , in • tro • duced)

1 to bring people together for the first time and tell each of them the name of the other *She introduced me to her brother*.

He introduced himself to me (= told me his name).

pro • duce 1 / prəˈdus / verb (pro • duc • es , pro • duc • ing , pro • duced) 1 to make or grow something This factory produces cars. What does the farm produce? **2** to make something happen His hard work produced good results. **3** to bring something out to show it She produced a ticket from her pocket. 4 to organize something like a play or movie *She is producing a play at our local theater.* in • come / 'inkAm / noun [count, noncount] all the money that you receive for your work, for example It's difficult for a family to live on one income. ex • cel • lent / 'ɛksələnt / adjective very good She speaks excellent Spanish. sou • ve • nir / suvə nır / noun [count] something that you keep to remember a place or a special event I brought back this cowboy hat as a souvenir of Texas. quite / kwait / adverb very, but not extremely It's quite warm today, but it's not too hot. We waited quite a long time. SYNONYM fairly not quite

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not completely

Dinner is not quite ready. "Are you finished?" "Not quite."

quite a few

a lot, but not an extremely large amount or number *There were quite a few people at the party.* **col • lec • tion** / kə'lɛkʃn / *noun*

1 [count] a group of similar things that someone has brought together The Art Institute of Chicago has a large collection of modern paintings. a music collection
2 [count, noncount] taking something from a place or from people garbage collection mor • al 2 / 'morel / noun
1 morals [plural] ideas about what is right and wrong These people have no morals.
2 [count] a lesson about what is right and wrong, which you can learn from a story or from something that happens The moral of the story is that we should be kind to animals. u • nique / yu'nik / adjective not like anyone or anything else

Everyone in the world is unique.

home • land / 'houmlænd / noun [count]

the country where you were born

ug • ly / 'Aqli / adjective (ug • li • er , ug • li • est)

not pleasant to look at

an ugly face

The house was really ugly.

ANTONYM beautiful

prac • tice 2 / 'præktəs / verb (prac • tic • es , prac • tic • ing , prac • ticed)
1 to do something many times so that you will do it well

If you want to play the piano well, you must practice every day.

2 to work as a doctor, dentist, or lawyer

After graduating, she practiced medicine in Atlanta.

pleas • ure / 'plɛʒər / noun

1 [noncount] the feeling of being happy or enjoying something

She gets a lot of pleasure from her music.

Are you in New York for business or for pleasure?

2 [count] something that makes you happy

It was a pleasure to meet you.

it's a pleasure

You say "it's a pleasure" as a polite way of answering someone who thanks you *"Thank you for your help." "It's a pleasure."*

with pleasure

You say "with pleasure" to show in a polite way that you are happy to do something "Can you help me move these boxes?" "Yes, with pleasure."

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at • tempt / ə'tempt / verb (at • tempts , at • tempt • ing , at • tempt • ed)

to try to do something that is difficult *He attempted to sail around the world*. SYNONYM try **at • tempt** noun [count] *She made no attempt to help me*. *a brave attempt at breaking the world record* **prom • ise 1** / 'praməs / verb (prom • is • es , prom • is • ing , prom • ised) **1** to say that you will certainly do or not do something *She promised to give me the money today*. *I promise that I'll come*. *Promise me you won't be late!* **2** to show signs that something will be good or successful *The picnic promises to be a lot of fun*.

for • tu • nate / 'fortfonot / adjective

lucky

I was very fortunate to get the job. **ANTONYM unfortunate** for • tu • nate • ly / 'fortfonotli / adverb Fortunately, no one was hurt in the accident. SYNONYM luckily **ANTONYM unfortunately** shocked / fakt / adjective feeling surprised in a bad way, and upset or angry Don't look so shocked – I did warn you! a • shamed / əˈʃeɪmd / adjective feeling sorry and unhappy because you have done something wrong, or because you are not as good as other people *I felt ashamed about lying to my parents.* She was ashamed of her old clothes. pho • tog • ra • phy / fəˈtagrəfi / noun [noncount] taking photographs

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