

4 Technological wonders

Glossary

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- 4.1 wonder** (n) /'wʌndə(r)/
sth that makes you feel surprise and admiration • *The Statue of Zeus at Olympia was one of the Seven Wonders of the World.* > wonderful (adj), wonder (v) ❖ das Wunder
- 4.2 bionic** (adj) /baɪ'ɒn.ɪk/
technology that causes a non-living object to move • *The bionic dog could walk and bark just like a real one.* ❖ bionischer/e/es

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- 4.3 telescope** (n) /'telɪskəʊp/
a piece of equipment like a long metal tube you look through to see distant things as if they were closer • *The bird's nest was so far away that I had to use a telescope to see it.* > telescopic (adj) ❖ das Teleskop
- 4.4 solar system** (n) /'səʊlə 'sɪstəm/
planets around a sun • *Earth is the only inhabited planet in our solar system.* ❖ das Sonnensystem
- 4.5 asteroid** (n) /'æstərɔɪd/
a large rock or small planet that orbits a sun • *If a huge asteroid hits Earth, it will cause massive destruction.* ❖ der Asteroid
- 4.6 float** (v) /fləʊt/
to hang in the air as if weightless • *The balloon floated in the air and then the wind blew it away.* ❖ schweben
- 4.7 comet** (n) /'kɒmɪt/
a bright object with a tail that travels around the sun • *We looked at the comet through the telescope.* ❖ der Komet
- 4.8 dust** (n) /dʌst/
small pieces of soft dirt • *He cleaned the dust off the furniture with a cloth.* > dust (v), duster (n), dusty (adj) ❖ der Staub
- 4.9 gas** (n) /gæs/
a chemical substance like air that is not liquid or solid • *The smell of poisonous gas rose from the ground on the volcano crater.* ❖ das Gas
- 4.10 orbit** (n) /'ɔ:bɪt/
a circular movement around an object like a planet or sun • *The moon orbits the Earth.* > orbit (v) ❖ die Umlaufbahn
- 4.11 end up** (phr v) /end ʌp/
to find yourself somewhere you didn't want to be • *If you don't study harder, you'll end up resitting your exams.* ❖ letztendlich etw. tun müssen
- 4.12 universe** (n) /'ju:nɪvɜ:s/
all of space • *Earth is just a small planet in an enormous universe.* > universal (adj) ❖ das Universum
- 4.13 galaxy** (n) /'gæləksɪ/
a large system of stars in space • *With powerful telescopes, scientists can now observe other galaxies in space.* > galactic (adj) ❖ die Galaxie
- 4.14 engineering** (n) /,endʒɪ'nɪərɪŋ/
planning and building things like roads, bridges or machines • *Janet is great at maths and physics so she's studying engineering at university.* > engineer (n) ❖ die Bautechnik
- 4.15 construction** (n) /kən'strʌkʃn/
the process of building • *The construction of the Parthenon was organised by Perikles.* > construct (v) ❖ die Erbauung, der Bau
- 4.16 software** (n) /'sɒftweə(r)/
computer programs • *Because she had some trouble with her computer, she had to reinstall all the software.* ❖ die Software
- 4.17 invent** (v) /ɪn'vent/
to make or design sth that has not existed before • *Telescopes were invented in the 17th century.* > inventor, invention (n), inventive (adj) ❖ erfinden
- 4.18 innovation** (n) /ɪnə'veɪʃn/
a new idea or invention • *I think technological innovations will make life easier in the future.* > innovative (adj) ❖ die Innovation
- 4.19 achievement** (n) /ə'tʃi:vmənt/
sth you succeed in doing • *Raising baby pandas in a zoo is an incredible achievement because it is very hard to do.* > achieve (v) ❖ der Erfolg
- 4.20 complicated** (adj) /'kɒmplɪkətɪd/
difficult to understand because it has many different parts • *The rules of this game are so complicated! I can't understand them.* > complicate (v), complication (n) ❖ komplizierter/e/es
- 4.21 movement** (n) /'mu:vmənt/
going from one place to another • *We observed the movements of the cat as it climbed the tree.* > move (v, n), movable (adj) ❖ die Bewegung

- 4.22 sunshield** (n) /'sʌnʃi:ld/
a device that protects sth, e.g. a telescope, from the light and heat of the sun • *She used a small umbrella as a sunshield.*
❖ die Sonnenblende
- 4.23 pillar (of)** (n) /'pɪlə(r) (əv)/
an important part of a group or system
• *Galileo was one of the pillars of astronomy.*
❖ die -Säule, der -Pfeiler
- 4.24 creation** (n) /kri'eɪʃn/
the whole universe and the process of creating it • *Humans are the most destructive animals in all creation!* > create (v), creative (adj)
❖ die Schöpfung
- 4.25 exoplanet** (n) /'eksəʊ.plæni:t/
a planet which is outside the Earth's solar system • *I wonder if there is any life on exoplanets in other solar systems.* ❖ der Exoplanet
- 4.26 search** (v) /sɜ:tʃ/
to look for • *She searched for information about her ancestors on the internet.*
> search (n) ❖ suchen
- 4.27 so far** (expr) /'səʊ fɑ:/
until now • *I've been watching the sky for hours, but I haven't seen the asteroid so far.*
❖ bisher
- 4.28 confirm** (v) /kən'fɜ:m/
to show to be true • *Your weight confirms that you have eaten too much during the holidays.*
> confirmation (n) ❖ bestätigen
- 4.29 hold your breath** (expr) /həʊld jɔ: breθ/
to expect sth to happen • *I think you have a good chance of getting the job, but don't hold your breath – there are so many applicants.*
❖ sich große Hoffnungen machen
- 4.30 sight** (n) /saɪt/
sth that you see • *The snow on the mountains was a wonderful sight.* > sightseeing (n)
❖ der Anblick
- 4.31 light year** (n) /laɪt jɪə/
very long time • *Manned space travel to distant planets seems light years away.*
❖ das Lichtjahr
- 4.32 exist** (v) /ɪg'zɪst/
to be real • *Does life exist on Mars?*
> existence (n) ❖ existieren
- 4.33 component** (n) /kəm'pəʊnənt/
a part of sth • *There are so many components in this smartphone that I have no idea how it works.* ❖ die Komponente, der Bestandteil
- 4.34 source** (n) /sɔ:sɪs/
where sth comes from • *In the past, the only source of heat was fire.* ❖ die Quelle

Space

asteroid	float	search
comet	galaxy	solar system
dust	innovation	spacesuit
engineering	light year	sunshield
exoplanet	orbit	universe

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- 4.35 calculator** (n) /'kælkjuleɪtə(r)/
a device or piece of software for making calculations with numbers • *The teacher asked us to solve the maths exercises without using a calculator.* > calculate (v)
❖ der Taschenrechner
- 4.36 charger cable** (n) /'tʃɑ:dʒə(r) 'keɪbl/
a thick wire that carries electricity to a phone charger • *I must find the charger cable for my smartphone. The battery is very low.*
❖ das Ladekabel
- 4.37 external hard drive** (n) /ɪk'stɜ:nl 'hɑ:d draɪv/
a device for storing information from a computer • *It's a good idea to back up files every day on an external hard drive in case anything goes wrong with your laptop.*
❖ die externe Festplatte
- 4.38 headphones** (n pl) /'hedfəʊnz/
equipment that you wear in or over your ears so that you can listen to music, the radio, etc.
• *Please use your headphones to listen to music late at night.* ❖ die Kopfhörer (plural)
- 4.39 monitor** (n) /'mɒnɪtə(r)/
a computer screen; a computer screen for observing movements in a particular area
• *The security guard watched the monitors to see who was entering the building.* > monitor (v) ❖ der Monitor, der Bildschirm
- 4.40 device** (n) /dɪ'vaɪs/
an object with a particular purpose • *This device is used to back up the data on your computer.* ❖ das Gerät
- 4.41 run** (v) /rʌn/
to work • *He stopped the car, but the engine was still running.* ❖ laufen
- 4.42 remote-controlled** (adj) /rɪ'məʊt kən'trəʊld/
controlled by using equipment without having to touch it • *Ken was flying his remote-controlled plane in the park.*
❖ ferngesteuerter/e/es
- 4.43 touchscreen** (n) /tʌtʃskri:n/
a screen that you touch in order to control a computer, phone, etc. • *This touchscreen phone doesn't have any buttons.* ❖ der Touchscreen-Bildschirm

- 4.44 drone** (n) /drəʊn/
a small aircraft without a pilot, controlled by a computer and used for taking photos or videos from above the ground • *He almost destroyed his drone when it nearly landed in the sea after taking a video of the kayak.* ❖ die Drohne
- 4.45 wireless** (adj) /'waɪələs/
being connected by signals instead of cables • *The school's wireless connection was a bit slow, so we had to wait for the information to upload.* > wireless (n) ❖ drahtloser/e/es, Wireless-
- 4.46 smart** (adj) /smɑ:t/
that is operated through computers so that it can work by itself • *When you're away, you can control your home central heating, using smart technology.* > smartly (adv) ❖ smarter/e/es
- 4.47 connect** (v) /kə'nekt/
to join together two or more things • *If I can connect to the internet, I'll send you some photos.* > connection (n), connected (adj) ❖ sich verbinden, eine Verbindung zu etw./jdm. aufbauen 📧 Opp: disconnect
- 4.48 podcast** (n) /'pɒdkɑ:st/
an audio file from the internet that you can play on a computer, smartphone, or other device • *I sometimes listen to podcasts from British radio stations to hear different English accents.* ❖ der Podcast
- 4.49 post** (v) /pəʊst/
to put comments, information or pictures on a website • *He never posts personal details on social networking sites.* > post (n) ❖ posten
- 4.50 record** (v) /re'kɔ:d/
to write information down or store it in a computer so that it can be looked at in the future • *The reporter recorded the interview on camera.* > record (n) ❖ aufnehmen, aufzeichnen, festhalten
- 4.51 update** (v) /ʌp'det/
to add the most recent information to sth • *Always update your virus protection so your computer is safe.* > update (n) ❖ aktualisieren
- 4.52 upload** (v) /ʌp'ləʊd/
to transfer files from one computer to another through the internet • *Gina uploaded her essay for her teacher to correct online.* ❖ hochladen
- 4.53 switch off** (phr v) /swɪtʃ ɒf/
turn sth off by pressing a button or switch • *I want to sleep now. Please switch off the lights.* ❖ abschalten 📧 Opp: switch on
- 4.54 pillow** (n) /'pɪləʊ/
a cloth bag filled with sth soft that you use to rest your head on in bed • *Jake rested his head on the pillow and went to sleep.* ❖ das Kopfkissen
- 4.55 activity tracker** (n) /æk'tɪvəti trækə(r)/
a device that records your physical movements and other health-related information • *According to the activity tracker, we've cycled 30 kilometres today.* ❖ der Aktivitätstracker
- 4.56 turn down** (phr v) /tɜ:n daʊn/
to make quieter • *Dad's always telling me to turn down my music, but I like it loud!* ❖ leiser stellen
- 4.57 volume** (n) /'vɒljʊ:m/
the level of noise • *Don't turn the volume up so loud; we won't be able to hear ourselves talking!* ❖ die Lautstärke

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- 4.58 forecast** (n) /'fɔ:kɑ:st/
a description of how sb says sth will be in the future • *The latest forecast warns of heavy rain and stormy weather.* ❖ die Vorhersage
- 4.59 take off** (phr v) /teɪk ɒf/
to leave the ground (for planes, etc.) • *The plane couldn't take off because of the storm over the airport.* > take-off (n) ❖ abheben 📧 Opp: land
- 4.60 look forward to** (phr v) /lʊk 'fɔ:wəd tu:z/
to be happy waiting for sth good that is going to happen • *I'm looking forward to seeing my relatives from Canada.* ❖ sich freuen auf
- 4.61 central heating** (n) /'sentrəl 'hi:tɪŋ/
a heating system that heats a whole house or building • *Our house is really cold because the central heating isn't switched on.* ❖ die Zentralheizung
- 4.62 qualified** (adj) /'kwɒlɪfaɪd/
having completed the correct training or having the experience for a particular job • *Sarah spent five years at university to become a qualified architect.* > qualification (n), qualify (v) ❖ (beruflich) qualifizierter/e/es
- 4.63 power cut** (n) /'paʊə kʌt/
a period when the electricity supply stops working • *The storm caused power cuts throughout the city and the streets were in darkness.* ❖ der Stromausfall
- 4.64 accurately** (adv) /'ækjərətli/
correctly • *She worked out the total accurately by using a calculator.* > accurate (adj), accuracy (n) ❖ exakt
- 4.65 earthquake** (n) /'z:θkweɪk/
the shaking of the ground • *After an earthquake, dogs are often used to find people in buildings that have fallen down.* ❖ das Erdbeben

- 4.66** **spacesuit** (n) /'speɪsu:t/
a special suit worn by astronauts to survive in space • *An astronaut's spacesuit is made of strong but light material.* ❖ der Raumanzug
- 4.67** **land** (v) /lænd/
to arrive on the ground • *The plane landed safely at the airport despite the storm.*
> landing (n) ❖ landen 📎 Opp: take off

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- 4.68** **aircraft** (n) /'eəkrɑ:ft/
a vehicle that can fly • *The aircraft that took us to London was an Airbus.* ❖ das Fluggerät, das Flugzeug
📎 Plural: aircraft
- 4.69** **liquid** (n) /'lɪkwɪd/
sth that is not solid and can be poured
• *Oil and water are both liquids.* ❖ die Flüssigkeit
- 4.70** **image** (n) /'ɪmɪdʒ/
a picture • *The satellite took some wonderful images of the Earth from space.* ❖ das Bild
- 4.71** **memory** (n) /'meməri/
the amount of data storage space on a computer, phone, etc. • *My phone doesn't have enough memory to download any more apps.* ❖ der Speicherplatz
- 4.72** **wearable** (adj) /'weərəbəl/
which can be worn • *Smartwatches are basically wearable computers.* > wear (v)
❖ tragbarer/e/es
- 4.73** **coffee maker** (n) /'kɒfi meɪkə(r)/
a machine for making cups of coffee • *The first thing she does every morning is to switch on the coffee maker for breakfast.* ❖ die Kaffeemaschine 📎 Syn: coffee machine
- 4.74** **dishwasher** (n) /'dɪʃwɒʃə(r)/
a machine for washing dishes • *Don't wash the cups and plates by hand – just put them into the dishwasher.* ❖ der Geschirrspüler
- 4.75** **feature** (n) /'fi:tʃə(r)/
an important part or a typical quality of sth
• *A camera is a feature on most smartphones nowadays.* > feature (v) ❖ die Funktion
- 4.76** **notification** (n) /,nəʊtɪfɪ'keɪʃn/
a formal notice that gives information about sth • *She receives a notification on her phone every time a text message arrives.* > notify (v)
❖ die Benachrichtigung
- 4.77** **security** (n) /sɪ'kjʊərəti/
a system to warn you when sb enters a place illegally, or when there is danger, etc.
• *Our hotel room had its own security alarm!*
❖ die Sicherheit, das Sicherheitssystem

- 4.78** **petrol** (n) /'petrəl/
oil used to make an engine work • *The car was running out of petrol, so we stopped at a service station.* ❖ das Benzin 📎 US Eng: gasoline
- 4.79** **diesel** (n) /'di:zəl/
a type of oil used to make an engine work instead of petrol • *The city buses have diesel engines.* ❖ der Diesel
- 4.80** **charging point** (n) /'tʃɑ:dʒɪŋ pɔɪnt/
a place where battery-operated devices or electric cars can be charged • *There aren't many charging points for electric cars in our town.* ❖ die Ladestation
- 4.81** **depend (on)** (v) /dɪ'pend (ɒn)/
be affected by • *Whether wind farms really help the environment depends on the production process and where they are installed.* ❖ abhängen (von)

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- 4.82** **invention** (n) /ɪn'veɪʃn/
sth created by sb for the first time • *The invention of the plane meant people could travel easily to foreign countries.* > invent (v), inventor (n), inventive (adj) ❖ die Erfindung
- 4.83** **VR headset** (n) /,vi:'ɑ:(r) 'hedset/
a set of headphones with a screen that you wear over your eyes to see images and hear sounds created by a computer • *It feels like you're in another world when you wear this VR headset to play a video game.* ❖ das VR-Headset 📎 Note: VR = virtual reality /,vɜ:tʃuəl ri'æləti/
- 4.84** **driverless** (adj) /'draɪvələs/
without a driver • *I couldn't believe it when I first saw a driverless bus going around the town.* ❖ fahrerloser/e/es
- 4.85** **doorbell** (n) /'dɔ:bel/
a button that you press outside a building, which rings a bell for the people inside to know you are there • *The doorbell rang while I was in the shower.* ❖ die Türklingel

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- 4.86** **bullet train** (n) /'bʊlɪt treɪn/
a high-speed railway service in Japan
• *We got the morning bullet train to Tokyo, which was fast but really expensive.*
❖ der Hochgeschwindigkeitszug
- 4.87** **blossom** (n) /'blɒsəm/
a flower on a plant or tree • *The air was filled with the lovely smell of orange blossoms.*
❖ die Blüte

- 4.88 compete** (v) /kəm'pi:t/ to try to get people to buy your products and not sb else's • *The small shops in the town centre compete for business.* > competition (n), competitive (adj) ❖ mit jdm./etw. konkurrieren
- 4.89 competitive** (adj) /kəm'petətɪv/ showing you are trying hard to be more successful or better than others • *She wants to win, so she's a very competitive cyclist.* > competitively (adv), compete (v), competition, competitor (n) ❖ wetteifernder/e/es
- 4.90 explosion** (n) /ɪks'pləʊʒn/ a blast of energy (often from a bomb) • *There was a loud explosion at the power station and a fire broke out.* > explode (v), explosive (adj) ❖ die Explosion
- 4.91 explosive** (adj) /ɪks'pləʊsɪv/ which could explode easily • *Petrol is a highly explosive liquid. So don't use devices like mobile phones near it.* > explode (v), explosion (n) ❖ explosiver/e/es
- 4.92 attraction** (n) /ə'trækʃn/ an activity, feature or place that is interesting or exciting to sb; the feeling of being attracted to sb/sth • *The cherry blossoms are one of Japan's greatest attractions.* > attract (v), attractive (adj) ❖ die Attraktion
- 4.93 inventive** (adj) /ɪn'ventɪv/ able to create new things and ideas • *His grandparents were quite poor, but they were also inventive and found ways to make their own clothes and furniture.* > invent (v), invention, inventor (n) ❖ einfallsreicher/e/es
- 4.94 inspire** (v) /ɪn'spaɪə(r)/ to make sb feel that they want to do sth and can do it • *He was inspired by Albert Einstein's work and he decided to become a physicist.* > inspiration (n), inspirational (adj) ❖ inspirieren
- 4.95 attention** (n) /ə'tenʃn/ interest in sth • *Computers first caught his attention in primary school.* ❖ die Aufmerksamkeit
- 4.96 alternative** (adj) /ɔ:l'tɜ:nətɪv/ that can be used instead of sth else • *I think your idea is good, but I have an alternative solution that's better.* > alternative (n) ❖ alternativer/e/es
- 4.97 back up** (phr v) /bæk ʌp/ make a copy of information stored on a computer • *Luckily, I had backed up my work before my computer crashed.* > back-up (n) ❖ sichern
- 4.98 log in** (phr v) /lɒg ɪn/ to gain access to a computer • *You can log in to this website with a password.* ❖ sich anmelden
- 4.99 plug in** (phr v) /plʌg 'ɪn/ to connect a machine to an electricity supply • *You can plug your smartphone in to the PC.* ❖ einstecken in
- 4.100 set up** (phr v) /set ʌp/ to get all necessary equipment ready for an activity • *Mum set up my new laptop for me so I can use it now.* > set-up (n) ❖ einrichten
- 4.101 switch on** (phr v) /swɪtʃ 'bɒn/ to turn sth on • *Let's switch the TV on and watch the news.* ❖ einschalten
- 4.102 shut down** (phr v) /ʃʌt daʊn/ to stop functioning; to stop a machine from working • *Remember to back up all your work in case there's a power cut that makes the computer shut down.* ❖ außer Betrieb sein
- 4.103 access** (n) /'ækses/ a way to see or use sth, e.g. information on a computer • *He can get access to his bank account online because he has internet banking.* ❖ der Zugang
- 4.104 network** (n) /'netwɜ:k/ a group of people who are connected in some way • *Debbie has a large network of contacts on social media.* ❖ das Netzwerk
- 4.105 department** (n) /dɪ'pɑ:tmənt/ a part of a large business, university, organisation, etc. • *Liam is a technician in the company's IT department.* ❖ die Abteilung (company), das Institut (university)
- 4.106 power supply** (n) /paʊə sʌ'plaɪ/ where power comes from • *Plug this appliance into the power supply in the wall over there.* ❖ die Stromversorgung
- 4.107 record** (n) /'rekɔ:d/ official information about people • *There are few written records of the history of this country.* > record (v) ❖ die Aufzeichnung
- 4.108 inventor** (n) /ɪn'ventə(r)/ sb who creates sth new • *Hungarian inventor Maria Telkes created the first completely solar-powered house.* > invent (v), inventive (adj) ❖ der/die Erfinder/-in
- 4.109 astronomer** (n) /ə'strɒnəmə(r)/ a scientist who studies the sun, moon, stars, planets, etc. • *Hypatia was the first female astronomer whose study of maths and astronomy became well-known in Ancient Greece.* > astronomy (n) ❖ der/die Astronom/-in

- 4.110 moreover** (adv) /mɔːr'əʊvə(r)/
in addition; as well as that • *She's got a degree in Maths. Moreover, she's studying for a masters in Astrophysics.* ❖ zudem, darüber hinaus 📖 Syn: furthermore, what's more
- 4.111 observe** (v) /əb'zɜːv/
to watch sth; to follow what is happening
• *The nurse observed an improvement in the patient's condition.* > observer, observation (n)
❖ beobachten

Phrasal verbs

back up	plug in	take off
carry out	set up	turn down
log in	shut down	
look forward to	switch off/on	

Writing Pages 50–51

- 4.112 due to** (prep) /djuː tuː/
because of • *His depression is due to too much work and lack of sleep.* ❖ aufgrund von
- 4.113 nevertheless** (adv) /,nevəðə'les/
despite sth that has just been mentioned
• *Sharks don't attack humans often. Nevertheless, many people think shark attacks happen every day.* ❖ trotzdem
- 4.114 carry out** (phr v) /'kæri aʊt/
to do or complete sth • *Research is being carried out into sleep patterns.* ❖ durchführen
- 4.115 advance** (n) /əd'vɑːns/
progress • *Advances in medical science mean that many diseases which were deadly in the past can be cured today.* > advance (v)
❖ der Vorsprung, der Fortschritt
- 4.116 available** (adj) /ə'veɪləbl/
(for things) ready to be used or bought; (for people) ready and with enough time to do sth • *There were no rooms available at the hotel.* > availability (n) ❖ verfügbarer/e/es
📖 Opp: unavailable
- 4.117 exhibition** (n) /,eksɪ'bɪʃn/
a show of things for people to see, e.g. in a museum • *There was an exhibition of El Greco paintings in the museum.* > exhibit (v, n), exhibitor (n) ❖ die Ausstellung
- 4.118 regarding** (prep) /rɪ'gɑːdɪŋ/
concerning • *Regarding space travel for the general public, I think it will be too expensive for most people.* ❖ in Hinblick auf, bezüglich
- 4.119 individual** (adj) /ɪndɪ'vɪdʒʊəl/
separate or different from others • *Our teacher writes different comments on each individual student's homework.* > individual (n)
❖ einzelner/e/es

- 4.120 informative** (adj) /ɪn'fɔːmətɪv/
providing useful facts or ideas • *This magazine has an informative article on space travel.*
> inform (v), information (n) ❖ informativer/e/es
📖 Opp: uninformative
- 4.121 take an active part in** (expr) /teɪk ən 'æktɪv pɑːt ɪn/
to do sth about sth, be involved in sth
• *Anna is taking an active part in the fair and this afternoon she's demonstrating her new invention.* ❖ an etw. teilnehmen
- 4.122 satisfied** (adj) /'sætɪsfaɪd/
pleased because sth that you wanted to happen has happened • *Are your parents satisfied with your exam results?* > satisfy (v), satisfaction (n), satisfactory (adj)
❖ zufriedener/e/es 📖 Opp: dissatisfied
- 4.123 lightweight** (adj) /'laɪtweɪt/
not at all heavy • *You only need a lightweight jacket in the summer.* ❖ leichter/e/es
- 4.124 user-friendly** (adj) /juːzə 'frendli/
easy to use • *For online lessons, we use an app that was easy to install and is so user-friendly.* ❖ benutzerfreundlicher/e/es
- 4.125 function** (n) /'fʌŋkʃn/
a program or part of a program on a computer, smartphone, etc. that does sth specific
• *The program has a 'Search' function.*
❖ die Funktion
- 4.126 to my mind** (expr) /tʊ maɪ maɪnd/
in my opinion • *To my mind, space travel for everyone is the most exciting idea of this century.* ❖ meiner Meinung nach
- 4.127 impression** (n) /ɪm'preʃn/
the opinion you have about sb/sth because of the way they seem • *The robotics fair gave us all a very good impression as it was so well-organised.* > impress (v), impressive (adj)
❖ der Eindruck

Devices and technology

aircraft	memory
bullet train	monitor
calculator	network
central heating	power cut
charger cable	power supply
charging point	satellite
coffee maker	security app
console	server
device	smart
dishwasher	telescope
doorbell	touchscreen
drone	tracker
external hard drive	user-friendly
fibre optic cable	VR headset
headphones	wireless
image	the World Wide Web

- 4.128 server** (n) /'sɜːvə(r)/
the main computer that runs a network • *The company's IT department takes care of any problems with the server.* ❖ der Server
- 4.129 the World Wide Web** (n) /ðə ,wɜːld waɪd 'web/
the system for finding information on the internet • *You can find information on almost everything you want on the World Wide Web – just check the source is reliable!* ❖ das World Wide Web, das Web 📎 Abbrev: www
- 4.130 via** (prep) /'vaɪə/
through; using a particular system, person, etc.
• *They can send you the information via email.*
❖ per
- 4.131 console** (n) /'kɒnsəʊl/
a device with the controls for a video game
• *We need two video game consoles to play against each other on PlayStation.*
❖ die Konsole
- 4.132 electronic** (adj) /ɪ,lek'trɒnɪk/
that has small parts that work through a computer or batteries, etc. • *You can download the book in electronic form.* ❖ elektronischer/el es
- 4.133 satellite** (n) /'sætəlaɪt/
an object in space that collects and sends information • *Satellites provide signals for worldwide telecommunications.* ❖ der Satellit
- 4.134 transmit** (v) /trænz'mɪt/
to pass sth from one person to another
• *A disease can be transmitted through the air, when people sneeze, for example.* ❖ übertragen
- 4.135 fibre optic cable** (n) /,faɪbər 'ɒptɪk 'keɪbl/
a set of wires that carry internet signals • *Our internet connection is faster now that we have fibre optic cables in the neighbourhood.*
❖ das Glasfaserkabel
- 4.136 speed** (n) /spiːd/
how fast sth moves • *This motorbike has a top speed of 220 kilometres per hour.* > speed (v), speedy (adj) ❖ die Geschwindigkeit