

# 4 It fits like a glove

## Glossary

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- 4.1 fit like a glove** (expr) /fɪt laɪk ə glʌv/  
fit perfectly and comfortably • *My new swimsuit fits like a glove.* ❖ aller comme un gant
- 4.2 dramatic** (adj) /drə'mætrɪk/  
sudden and surprising • *His new hair style made a dramatic change to his appearance.*  
> dramatically (adv), drama (n) ❖ considérable
- 4.3 creation** (n) /kri'eɪʃn/  
sth that has been made, especially showing artistic skill or imagination • *This painting was the artist's first creation.* > create (v), creator, creativity (n), creative (adj), creatively (adv)  
❖ création
- 4.4 casual** (adj) /'kæʒuəl/  
everyday, not formal • *You can wear casual clothes because it isn't a formal meeting.*  
> casually (adv) ❖ décontracté(e)  
📎 Opp: formal
- 4.5 meet-up** (n) /'mi:tʌp/  
a social meeting • *We usually have a family meet-up with our cousins once a month.*  
> meet up (phr v) ❖ rencontre  
📎 Also: meetup
- 4.6 formal** (adj) /'fɔ:ml/  
serious and official • *She made a formal complaint about the service at the restaurant.*  
> formally (adv) ❖ officiel(le) 📎 Opp: informal, casual

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- 4.7 constant** (adj) /'kɒnstənt/  
continual • *The constant traffic noise kept them awake all night.* > constantly (adv)  
❖ constant(e)
- 4.8 critic** (n) /'krɪtɪk/  
sb whose job is to judge the good and bad qualities of art, music, films, etc. • *Critics gave the film very bad reviews.* > criticise (v), critical (adj) ❖ critique
- 4.9 reviewer** (n) /rɪ'vju:ə(r)/  
sb who writes a review that gives an opinion about a new film, book, play, performance • *Most of the reviewers recommend the book.*  
> review (v, n) ❖ analyse, critique
- 4.10 narrate** (v) /nə'reɪt/  
tell a story • *Our guide narrated the history of the building and its artworks.* > narrator, narration (n), narrative (adj, n) ❖ raconter, narrer
- 4.11 motivation** (n) /,mɒtɪ'veɪʃn/  
the reason why sb wants to do sth • *What gave you motivation to become an artist?*  
> motivate (v), motivating, motivated (adj)  
❖ motivation
- 4.12 innovative** (adj) /'ɪnəvətɪv/  
clever and new • *There are some innovative machines in this shop.* > innovate (v), innovation (n) ❖ innovant(e)
- 4.13 impact** (v) /ɪm'pækt/  
have a strong effect on sb/sth • *The economic crisis has impacted most people's lives.*  
❖ impacter
- 4.14 age-old** (adj) /,eɪdʒ 'əʊld/  
which has existed for a long time • *The festival celebrations combined age-old traditions with modern music and dance.* ❖ ancestral(e)
- 4.15 imitate** (v) /'ɪmɪteɪt/  
copy how sb/sth looks or behaves • *Each performer in the talent show tried to imitate a singer they admired.* > imitation (n)  
❖ imiter
- 4.16 startling** (adj) /'stɑ:tɪlɪŋ/  
surprising • *A startling number of artists died in poverty.* > startle (v), startlingly (adv)  
❖ surprenant(e)
- 4.17 heartbreak** (n) /'hɑ:tbreɪk/  
deep sadness • *They suffered the heartbreak of seeing their home burn down.*  
> heartbroken, heartbreaking (adj)  
❖ déchirement
- 4.18 ribbon** (n) /'rɪbən/  
a long narrow piece of material used to tie things or for decoration • *The parcel was tied with a red ribbon.* ❖ ruban
- 4.19 combine** (v) /kəm'baɪn/  
join or mix things together • *She joined a band to combine her love of music with performing.*  
> combination (n) ❖ combiner, associer
- 4.20 vast** (adj) /vɑ:st/  
extremely large • *They have spent vast amounts of money on refurbishing their home.*  
❖ waste 📎 Syn: huge

- 4.21 the extent to which** (phr) /ðə ɪk'stent tʊ wɪtʃ/  
how much • *The extent to which some people will go to make money is startling.*  
❖ la mesure selon laquelle
- 4.22 sensationalise** (v) /sen'seɪʃənəlaɪz/  
make a story or event sound more exciting or extreme than it is • *The mass media tend to sensationalise the everyday lives of celebrities.*  
> sensational, sensationalist (adj) ❖ faire du sensationnalisme
- 4.23 suffering** (n) /'sʌfərɪŋ/  
serious pain • *Despite her injuries, she managed to withstand her suffering.*  
> suffer (v) ❖ souffrance
- 4.24 crutch** (n) /krʌtʃ/  
a kind of stick you put under your arm to help you walk when you have hurt your leg  
• *Mandy has got a broken ankle and she's walking with crutches.* ❖ béquille
- 4.25 quote** (n) /kwəʊt/  
a piece of writing or statement repeated from a written or spoken text, which has a useful meaning • *The phrase 'to be or not to be' is a quote from a play by Shakespeare.*  
> quote (v) ❖ citation
- 4.26 impose** (v) /ɪm'pəʊz/  
force to suffer • *Climbing in freezing conditions imposed challenges on the climbers.* ❖ imposer
- 4.27 creativity** (n) /kri'eɪtɪvəti/  
ability to make sth new and imaginative  
• *He shows amazing creativity and paints beautiful portraits.* > create (v), creation (n), creative (adj) ❖ créativité
- 4.28 craft** (v) /krɑ:ft/  
make something using artistic skills  
• *The jewellery was crafted from seashells.*  
> craft (n) ❖ élaborer, confectionner
- 4.29 crucial** (adj) /'kru:ʃl/  
very important • *A source of financial support is crucial for any artist while they are creating new works.* ❖ crucial(e)
- 4.30 fame** (n) /feɪm/  
being well-known • *Fame comes with the price of having your personal life made public.*  
> famous (adj) ❖ notoriété
- 4.31 trait** (n) /treɪt/  
a quality, good or bad, in sb's character  
• *Shyness was a personality trait he had learnt to overcome.* ❖ trait (de caractère)
- 4.32 fashion statement** (n) /'fæʃn steɪtmənt/  
clothes or other possessions that are unusual and intended to make others notice you  
• *John's decision to wear that hat was a real fashion statement.* ❖ affirmer une tendance (mode)
- 4.33 transform** (v) /træns'fɔ:m/  
change the way sth is or looks • *The makeup artist completely transformed the actor's appearance.* > transformation (n)  
❖ transformer
- 4.34 canvas** (n) /'kænvəs/  
a material or place you can paint on • *The wall was a canvas for graffiti artists.* ❖ canevas
- 4.35 arguably** (adv) /'ɑ:gjuəbli/  
used to describe an idea that can be supported • *It was arguably the ugliest painting I had ever seen.* > arguable (adj)  
❖ vraisemblablement
- 4.36 take a backseat** (expr) /teɪk ə ,bæk 'si:t/  
allow others to make the main decisions  
• *As he got older, Andrew took a back seat and left his daughter to run the family business.* ❖ se mettre en retrait
- 4.37 self-portraiture** (n) /'self ,pɔ:trətʃə(r)/  
the art of creating pictures of yourself, especially your face • *It seems a huge waste of a good camera to use it for nothing but self-portraiture!* > (self-)portrait (n), portray (v)  
❖ auto-portrait
- 4.38 endure** (v) /ɪn'djuə(r)/  
continue to exist through sth difficult • *He endured two years of working in the factory before he found another job.* > endurance (n), enduring (adj) ❖ endurer
- 4.39 blazing** (adj) /'bleɪzɪŋ/  
full of strong feelings • *They broke up after a blazing argument.* > blaze (n, v)  
❖ intense
- 4.40 take second place** (expr) /teɪk 'sekənd pleɪs/  
be less important • *Nora refused to take second place to her brothers and became more successful than them in business.*  
❖ reléguer au second plan
- 4.41 iconic** (adj) /aɪ'kɒnɪk/  
famous as a symbol of an idea • *The TV series was an iconic success, which changed the course of the author's career.* > icon (n)  
❖ iconique, emblématique
- 4.42 secondary (to)** (adj) /'sekəndri (tə)/  
less important (than) • *He believes that having a high salary is secondary to job satisfaction.*  
> second (n, adj) ❖ accessoire (par rapport à)
- 4.43 charismatic** (adj) /,kærɪz'mætɪk/  
having an attractive character • *His charismatic presentations make his lessons most enjoyable for his students.*  
> charisma (n) ❖ charismatique
- 4.44 tomb** (n) /tu:m/  
a large grave • *The ancient king's remains were found in a tomb discovered by archaeologists.* ❖ tombeau

- 4.45 awe-inspiring** (adj) /'ɔ: ɪnspəɪərɪŋ/  
very impressive • *There was an awe-inspiring view of the Pyramids from the hotel room.*  
> awe (n) ❖ grandiose
- 4.46 moved** (adj) /mu:vd/  
having strong feelings of sadness, pity or sympathy • *Harry was moved when I told him the story of my grandparents as immigrants.*  
> move (v), moving (adj) ❖ ému(e)
- 4.47 wander** (v) /'wɒndə(r)/  
walk in no particular direction • *We wandered around the village to get to know our surroundings.* ❖ flâner, errer
- 4.48 legacy** (n) /'legəsi/  
a situation that is a result of past actions or events • *We're now suffering the legacy of waste left by the mass production of clothes in the last decades.* > legacy (adj)  
❖ héritage
- 4.49 excessive** (adj) /ɪk'sesɪv/  
more than is reasonable • *An excessive amount of stress can cause health issues.*  
> excess (n), excessively (adv)  
❖ excessif, excessive
- 4.50 (my) heart sinks** (expr) /('maɪ) hɑ:t sɪŋks/  
(I) suddenly feel depressed or disappointed • *His heart sank when he saw the electricity bill.*  
❖ avoir le cœur serré, être désespéré(e)
- 4.51 premise** (n) /'premɪs/  
the basis for doing sth, e.g. a show • *The premise for the exhibition was to publicise his artwork.* ❖ prémisses
- 4.52 apparent** (adj) /ə'pærənt/  
clear • *It was soon apparent that my parcel had got lost in the post.* > apparently (adv)  
❖ évident(e)
- 4.53 separation** (n) /,sepə'reɪʃn/  
a division; the state of being separate from sth else • *In British schools, there's usually no separation between male and female students. Both have the same education.* > separate, separated (adj), separately (adv)  
❖ séparation
- 4.54 one and the same** (expr) /'wʌn ənd ðə ʃeɪm/  
the same person or thing • *JK Rowling and Robert Galbraith are one and the same author. Rowling writes her detective novels as Galbraith.* ❖ un(e) seul(e) et même
- 4.55 spectacular** (adj) /spek'tækjʊlə(r)/  
impressive • *The band's live performance was quite a spectacular show.* > spectacle (n)  
❖ spectaculaire
- 4.56 essentially** (adv) /ɪ'senʃəli/  
basically, mainly • *Rembrandt was essentially known for painting portraits.* > essential (adj)  
❖ essentiellement
- 4.57 trapped** (adj) /træpt/  
stuck in a place/position and unable to move; prevented from getting away • *He felt trapped in his boring job and wanted to become an artist instead.* > trap (n, v) ❖ piégé(e)
- 4.58 moving** (adj) /'mu:vɪŋ/  
which causes strong feelings, usually sadness • *We watched a moving documentary about a family of wolves.* > move (n, v), moved (adj)  
❖ émouvant(e)
- 4.59 possession** (n) /pə'zefn/  
sth that belongs to you • *When they were poor, they owned only a few essential possessions.* > possess (v) ❖ possession
- 4.60 change your mind** (phr) /tʃeɪndʒ jɔ:(r) maɪnd/  
change your opinion or decision • *She considered having a photo exhibition, but changed her mind when she realised the costs involved.* ❖ changer d'avis
- 4.61 reflection** (n) /rɪ'flekʃn/  
sth that shows the state or result of sth • *The plot was a reflection of the author's own childhood.* > reflect (v) ❖ reflet
- 4.62 output** (n) /'aʊtpʊt/  
the amount of sth produced • *As sales dropped, the clothing factory has decreased its output.* > output (v) ❖ produit (résultat)
- 4.63 self-portrait** (n) /,self'pɔ:trət/  
a picture or photograph of yourself • *In this self-portrait the artist made himself look much more attractive than he actually was.*  
❖ auto-portrait
- 4.64 symbolise** (v) /'sɪmbəlaɪz/  
represent sth • *The colour black symbolises sadness and death in many cultures.*  
> symbol (n), symbolic (adj) ❖ symboliser

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- 4.65 cuff** (n) /kʌf/  
the end part of a sleeve on a shirt or coat • *The button fell off the cuff of my shirt, so I rolled up both sleeves.* ❖ poignet (manchette)
- 4.66 hood** (n) /hʊd/  
a part of a coat, jacket, etc. that can cover your head • *He put his jacket hood up to keep his ears warm.* > hooded (adj) ❖ capuche
- 4.67 buckle** (n) /'bʌkl/  
a piece of metal or plastic you use to do up a belt or strap • *The buckle on my bag broke, so I can't fasten it.* > buckle (v) ❖ boucle
- 4.68 lining** (n) /'laɪnɪŋ/  
a layer of fabric on the inside of an item of clothing • *My winter boots have a soft thick lining.* > line (v) ❖ doublure

- 4.69** **zip** (n) /zɪp/  
a metal fastener • *The zip broke on his jeans, so now he can't wear them.* ❖ fermeture éclair
- 4.70** **wrist** (n) /rɪst/  
the part of the body which joins the hand to the arm • *She was wearing a watch on her left wrist.* ❖ poignet
- 4.71** **shoelace** (n) /'ʃuːleɪs/  
a long string-like material for fastening a shoe • *Tie your shoelaces properly before you go running.* ❖ lacet
- 4.72** **sole** (n) /səʊl/  
the bottom part of a shoe • *His shoes were so old that they had holes in the soles.* ❖ semelle
- 4.73** **catwalk** (n) /'kætɔːk/  
platform where models walk in fashion shows • *The model walked down the catwalk wearing a strange-looking suit.* ❖ podium
- 4.74** **heel** (n) /hiːl/  
the raised part at the back of the bottom of a shoe • *The heel of her sandal came off, making it difficult to walk home.* ❖ talon
- 4.75** **vest** (n) /vest/  
a sleeveless T-shirt, sometimes worn under a shirt • *It was so cold that I wore a vest under my jumper.* ❖ débardeur
- 4.76** **bead** (n) /biːd/  
a small ball of hard material with a hole through it that can be used to make jewellery • *The necklace was made from pink coral beads.* ❖ perle
- 4.77** **bow** (n) /bəʊ/  
a shape made by tying a ribbon for decoration or for tying shoelaces, etc. • *The little girl had a red bow in her hair.* ❖ nœud
- 4.78** **checked** (adj) /tʃekt/  
a pattern of squares, usually of two colours • *Traditional Scottish fabric usually has a checked pattern.* ❖ à carreaux
- 4.79** **waterproof** (adj) /'wɔːtəpruːf/  
which stops water getting in • *I took a thin waterproof jacket, just in case it might rain.* ❖ imperméable
- 4.80** **flowery** (adj) /'flaʊəri/  
with a flower pattern • *Gemma wore a flowery dress for the summer beach party.* > flower (n) ❖ fleuri(e)
- 4.81** **ragged** (adj) /'ræɡɪd/  
worn out and torn • *Are you seriously going to wear those ragged old shorts to go camping again?* > rag (n) ❖ en loques, dépenaillé(e)
- 4.82** **fitted** (adj) /'fɪtɪd/  
made to fit closely to the body • *Jim wore a fitted shirt and formal trousers.* > fit (n, v) ❖ ajusté(e) 📖 Opp: loose
- 4.83** **loose** (adj) /luːs/  
not tight; wide-fitting • *I put on a loose cotton T-shirt to keep cool in the sun.* > loosen (v) ❖ ample 📖 Opp: tight, fitted
- 4.84** **floaty** (adj) /'fləʊti/  
thin and lightweight (material) • *She wore a floaty top with her jeans.* > float (v) ❖ flottant(e)
- 4.85** **browse** (v) /braʊz/  
walk around a shop looking at different things before deciding what you want • *He likes browsing for bargains in the antiques market.* > browser (n) ❖ fureter, explorer
- 4.86** **price tag** (n) /'praɪs tæg/  
a label showing how much sth costs • *Remember to cut off the price tag before you wrap the gift.* ❖ étiquette (de prix)
- 4.87** **bid** (n) /bɪd/  
an amount offered to buy sth, e.g. at an auction • *The owners have accepted his bid for the house.* > bid (v), bidder (n) ❖ offre (bid)
- 4.88** **receipt** (n) /rɪ'siːt/  
a piece of paper showing you have bought sth • *Keep your receipt in case there's a problem with your purchase.* ❖ reçu
- 4.89** **purchase** (n) /'pɜːtʃəs/  
sth you buy • *My purchases included a few books.* > purchase (v) ❖ achat
- 4.90** **refund** (n) /'rɪːfʌnd/  
money back for sth you have bought • *The shoes were the wrong size, so I sent them back and got a refund.* > refund (v) ❖ remboursement
- 4.91** **debit card** (n) /'deɪt kɑːd/  
a card used to take money out of a bank account or to pay for sth • *You can use your debit card to pay for purchases in most shops.* > debit (n, v) ❖ carte de crédit
- 4.92** **loyalty card** (n) /'lɔɪəlti kɑːd/  
a card that a shop gives to customers so they collect discount points when they shop there • *Remember to take your loyalty card when you go to the furniture shop. Buying a new bed will earn a lot of points.* ❖ carte de fidélité

### Parts of clothing

bead	heel	shoelace
bow	hood	sole
buckle	lining	vest
cuff	ribbon	zip

### Adjectives describing clothes

casual	flowery	ragged
checked	formal	tailor-made
fitted	loose	waterproof
floaty	made to measure	

- 4.93 process** (v) /'prəʊses/  
deal with sth in a systematic way • *I had to wait a few minutes while the online shop processed my debit card details.* > process (n)  
❖ traïter
- 4.94 credit** (v) /'kredit/  
put money into an account • *Bill's bank account is automatically credited with his salary at the end of each month.* > credit (n)  
❖ créditer
- 4.95 account** (n) /ə'kaʊnt/  
a record of money owed to or by a bank or other business • *She puts aside a little money every month in her savings account.* ❖ compte
- 4.96 mend** (v) /mend/  
repair, fix • *The heel of her shoe broke off, so she had it mended.* ❖ réparer
- 4.97 invoice** (n) /'ɪnvɔɪs/  
a bill showing what you must pay for goods or a service • *The phone company sent us an invoice which required immediate payment.* ❖ facture
- 4.98 knit** (v) /nɪt/  
make clothes using two long thin needles to join e.g. wool together following a pattern • *Liz knitted little woollen jackets for her grandchildren.* > knitting, knitter, knit (n), knitted (adj) ❖ tricoter
- 4.99 promote** (v) /prə'məʊt/  
give sb a higher position at work • *After working hard for years, Sandie was promoted to head teacher.* > promotion (n)  
❖ promouvoir, être promu(e)
- 4.100 stock** (n) /stɒk/  
a supply of things available for sale in a shop • *The shop didn't have the shoes I wanted in stock, so I ordered a pair to collect next week.* ❖ stock
- 4.101 force** (v) /fɔ:s/  
make sb do sth they don't want to do • *Nobody is forcing you to spend so much on designer clothes! There are plenty of cheaper options.* > force (n) ❖ forcer
- 4.102 conscience** (n) /'kɒnʃəns/  
a feeling of having done sth wrong; a natural sense that tells you what is right or wrong • *She confessed to her part in the crime to clear her conscience.* ❖ conscience
- 4.103 head** (v) /hed/  
go in a certain direction • *We were hungry, so we headed towards the nearest restaurant.* ❖ se diriger vers

- 4.104 consumer** (n) /kən'sju:mə(r)/  
a person who buys and uses goods  
• *Most consumers are unaware of where the goods they buy are produced.* > consume (v), consumerism, consumption (n)  
❖ consommateur, consommatrice

## Shopping

account	invoice	receipt
bid	loyalty card	refund
browse	panic buying	self-service
consumer	price tag	stock
credit	process	window
debit card	purchase	shopping

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- 4.105 sustainable** (adj) /sʌs'teɪnəbl/  
conserving an ecological balance by not depleting natural resources • *Solar power is a more sustainable form of energy than some fossil fuels.* > sustain (v) ❖ durable  
📌 Opp: unsustainable
- 4.106 unsure** (adj) /ʌn'sʊə(r)/  
not sure about sth • *He was unsure about whether to take the factory job.* ❖ hésitant(e)  
📌 Opp: sure
- 4.107 ethical** (adj) /'eθɪkəl/  
right or acceptable • *For ethical reasons, she refuses to eat meat.* > ethics (n pl), ethically (adv) ❖ éthique 📌 Opp: unethical
- 4.108 deny** (v) /di'naɪ/  
say that sth isn't true • *Julian denied that he had stolen the files, but somebody found them in his backpack.* > denial (n) ❖ nier
- 4.109 regret** (v) /rɪ'gret/  
feel sorry about sth you did or did not do • *She never regretted leaving her secure job to travel the world.* > regret (n), regretful (adj)  
❖ regretter
- 4.110 defend** (v) /dɪ'fend/  
support • *He defended his decision to close the company when the costs kept rising.* > defence (n), defensive (adj) ❖ défendre
- 4.111 justified** (adj) /'dʒʌstɪfaɪd/  
having a good reason, being acceptable and reasonable • *Her complaints at the restaurant were completely justified.* > justification (n), justify (v) ❖ justifié(e)
- 4.112 uncertain** (adj) /ʌn'sɜ:tən/  
not sure about sth; doubtful • *I was uncertain about giving the company my debit card details.* ❖ uncertain(e) 📌 Opp: certain  
📌 Syn: unsure

- 4.113 structure** (n) /'strʌktʃə(r)/  
the way that sth is made • *His unemployment had changed the structure of his daily life.*  
❖ structure
- 4.114 beneficial** (adj) /benɪ'fɪʃl/  
good or helpful • *A good night's sleep is beneficial to health.* > benefit (v, n)  
❖ bénéfique
- 4.115 frustrating** (adj) /frʌ'st্রেইটিŋ/  
annoying because it makes sth impossible or difficult • *It was so frustrating that the local shops closed at midday.* > frustrate (v), frustration (n), frustrated (adj)  
❖ frustrant(e)
- 4.116 rewarding** (adj) /rɪ'wɔ:diŋ/  
making you feel satisfied because you are doing sth useful or important • *Seeing your own creations on display in an exhibition is a rewarding experience.* > reward (v, n)  
❖ gratifiant(e)
- 4.117 pointless** (adj) /'pɔɪntləs/  
with no purpose • *It is pointless getting a huge mortgage from the bank. You'll never be able to repay it.* > point (n) ❖ inutile
- 4.118 poorly** (adv) /'pɔ:li/  
badly • *The child's toy was so poorly made that it broke within a day.* > poor (adj)  
❖ mal, insuffisamment
- 4.119 inefficient** (adj) /ɪnɪ'fɪʃnt/  
not having or producing the best results; wasteful or unproductive • *Cars are the most inefficient way to travel in the city centre.* > inefficiency (n), inefficiently (adv)  
❖ inefficace 📖 Opp: efficient
- 4.120 eco-friendly** (adj) /'i:kəʊ'frendli/  
not harmful to the environment • *They must find more eco-friendly ways to produce energy without destroying the countryside.*  
❖ écoresponsable, respectueux de l'environnement
- 4.121 cautious** (adj) /kɔ:ʃəs/  
avoiding risk • *We are being very cautious about cooking outdoors in summer. We don't want to start a wildfire.* > caution (n), cautiously (adv) ❖ prudent(e)
- 4.122 fabric** (n) /'fæbrɪk/  
material or cloth for making clothes, etc. • *Organic cotton is quite a common fabric these days.* ❖ tissu

## Speaking Page 47

- 4.123 speculate** (v) /'spekjʊleɪt/  
think and guess • *Many people speculate about whether we will find life on other planets in the future.* > speculation (n) ❖ spéculer
- 4.124 alter** (v) /'ɔ:ltə(r)/  
change sth to make it different • *These trousers are too long for me, so I'll have to alter them to make them fit.* > alteration (n)  
❖ modifier, altérer

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- 4.125 assume** (v) /ə'sju:m/  
think that sth is true but without having proof • *I assume everyone is coming to the party, but I'll check.* > assumption (n) ❖ assumer
- 4.126 trending** (adj) /'trendɪŋ/  
which is popular on social media • *The elections are the trending topic this week on Twitter.* > trend (n, v), trendy (adj)  
❖ tendance
- 4.127 claim** (v) /kleɪm/  
say sth is true • *The shop claims to have the widest range of goods in the country, but that sounds doubtful.* > claim (n) ❖ affirmer, revendiquer
- 4.128 failure** (n) /'feɪljə(r)/  
lack of success • *The film was so bad that it was a complete box-office failure.* > fail (v)  
❖ échec
- 4.129 waistcoat** (n) /'weɪskəʊt/  
a piece of clothing like a short jacket without a collar or sleeves • *He felt too warm as he was wearing a waistcoat on top of his shirt.*  
❖ gilet

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- 4.130 at the drop of a hat** (expr) /æt ðə 'drɒp əv ə 'hæt/  
straight away, without delay • *I can't simply leave my job at the drop of a hat. I'll need to think it over first.* ❖ pour un oui ou pour un non
- 4.131 set up** (phr v) /set ʌp/  
create, start • *Why not set up a shop where people can exchange second-hand clothing instead of buying more?* ❖ implanter
- 4.132 pull your socks up** (expr) /pʊl jɔ: 'sɒks ʌp/  
work, perform or behave better • *If you want to get into university, you'll have to pull your socks up and study more.* ❖ retrousser ses manches

- 4.133 burn a hole in my pocket** (expr) /bɜːn ə ˈhəʊl ɪn maɪ ˈpɒkɪt/  
 (money that you) can't wait to spend  
 • *The minute Frank gets his pay, it burns a hole in his pocket and he has nothing left the next day.* ❖ être un panier percé
- 4.134 below the belt** (expr) /bələʊ ðə belt/  
 unfair • *Your comment about him getting a promotion because his father is the manager was below the belt.* ❖ porter un coup bas
- 4.135 roll up my sleeves** (expr) /rəʊl ʌp maɪ sliːvz/  
 get ready to work hard • *It's time to roll our sleeves up and get on with the project.*  
 ❖ se retrousser les manches
- 4.136 too big for my boots** (expr) /tuː bɪɡ fə maɪ bʊts/  
 acting like you are more important than you really are • *I'm glad you got promoted, but don't get too big for your boots.*  
 ❖ en faire trop
- 4.137 keep your hair on** (expr) /kiːp jɔː heər ɒn/  
 don't get angry; calm down • *Keep your hair on! I didn't spend all your money at the shops.*  
 ❖ monter sur ses grands chevaux
- 4.138 cope (with)** (v) /kəʊp (wɪð)/  
 deal with something difficult successfully  
 • *When the sales began, the shop assistants were unable to cope with the number of customers.* ❖ affronter, gérer
- 4.139 window shopping** (n) /ˈwɪndəʊ ʃɒpɪŋ/  
 looking at things for sale in shop windows, often without going inside to buy sth • *It's a rather expensive area for us, so we're just window shopping. We won't buy anything!*  
 ❖ lèche-vitrine
- 4.140 panic buying** (n) /ˈpænɪk baɪɪŋ/  
 buying a large number of things suddenly, because you think there might not be enough or prices might rise soon • *There was a wave of panic buying at petrol stations when the rise in fuel costs was announced.* ❖ achat panique
- 4.141 on trend** (expr) /ɒn trend/  
 fashionable • *Black is back on trend this season.* ❖ être tendance
- 4.142 fashion-conscious** (adj) /ˈfæʃn ˌkɒŋʃəs/  
 knowing what's in fashion and wanting to dress fashionably • *Stella is quite fashion-conscious and always wears shoes and accessories to match her clothes.* ❖ soucieux/soucieuse d'être à la mode
- 4.143 tailor-made** (adj) /ˈteɪlə ˈmeɪd/  
 made to fit one person in particular • *All the costumes for the dance performance have been tailor-made so each one is unique.*  
 ❖ sur-mesure
- 4.144 self-service** (adj) /ˌself ˈsɜːvɪs/  
 in which the customers themselves pick up the goods they want and then pay for them  
 • *We stopped for a snack at a self-service restaurant.* ❖ libre-service
- 4.145 profit margin** (n) /ˈprɒfɪt mɑːdʒɪn/  
 the percentage difference between the production cost and the final selling price  
 • *These shirts cost very little to make, so the company has a huge profit margin of 70%.*  
 ❖ marge bénéficiaire
- 4.146 made to measure** (adj) /ˌmeɪd tə ˈmeɪzə(r)/  
 made to fit one person or place in particular  
 • *We have very large windows, so we got curtains made to measure.* ❖ fait(e) sur mesure
- 4.147 turn out** (phr v) /tɜːn aʊt/  
 end in a particular way • *The day started out well, but turned out badly when he failed the audition.* ❖ devenir
- 4.148 compliment (on)** (v) /ˈkɒmplɪment (ɒn)/  
 say sth nice to sb • *We complimented the chef on the delicious meal.* > compliment (n)  
 ❖ complimenter (sur)
- 4.149 disapprove (of)** (v) /ˌdɪsəˈpruːv (ɒv)/  
 say you don't think sth/sb is good enough; not give permission (for sth) • *At first, his parents disapproved of him becoming a musician.*  
 > disapproval (n) ❖ désapprouver  
 📎 Opp: approve
- 4.150 addicted (to)** (adj) /ˈædɪktɪd (tuː)/  
 unable to stop doing sth • *So many people have become addicted to watching TV series and they waste so much time on them.*  
 > addiction, addict (n), addictive (adj)  
 ❖ dépendant(e) (à), accro
- 4.151 hesitation** (n) /ˌhezɪˈteɪʃn/  
 a pause before doing sth because you feel uncertain or worried • *After a moment's hesitation, she began to speak.* > hesitate (v)  
 ❖ hésitation

### Expressions

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below the belt	on trend
burn a hole in my pocket	one and the same
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- 4.152 dress code** (n) /'dres kəʊd/  
rules about what you should wear in a certain situation, e.g. for work, school, an event  
• *Nobody had told him about the dress code for the party, so he was the only person wearing a formal suit.* ❖ code vestimentaire
- 4.153 enforce** (v) /ɪn'fɔ:s/  
make sure people follow a law or rules • *The government is looking into higher fines in order to enforce the law against using a phone while driving.* > enforcement (n) ❖ (faire) appliquer
- 4.154 experiment** (v) /ɪks'perɪmənt/  
do a scientific test to find out if an idea is true • *Researchers are still experimenting to find a cure for the virus.* > experiment (n), experimental (adj) ❖ expérimenteur
- 4.155 occasional** (adj) /ə'keɪʒənəl/  
happening only sometimes • *They don't go out often, but they enjoy an occasional trip to the theatre.* > occasion (n), occasionally (adv) ❖ occasionnel(le)
- 4.156 exclude** (v) /ɪk'sklu:d/  
not allow sb to take part in sth • *After breaking the club rules, he was excluded from playing in the match.* > exclusion (n), exclusive (adj) ❖ exclure
- 4.157 end up** (phr v) /end ʌp/  
find yourself somewhere you didn't want or expect to be • *If you use your credit card too often, you'll end up spending more than you earn.* ❖ finir par
- 4.158 appalling** (adj) /ə'pɔ:ɪŋ/  
shocking, very bad • *The film was a disappointment as the acting was appalling.* ❖ épouvantable
- 4.159 affordability** (n) / ə'fɔ:də'bɪləti/  
how affordable sth is • *One factor affecting the running costs of electric cars is the affordability of electricity.* > afford (v), affordable (adj) ❖ accessibilité
- 4.160 opponent** (n) /ə'pəʊnənt/  
sb who is against an idea; sb who is fighting or playing against sb • *Opponents of the government had organised the demonstration.* > oppose (v) ❖ opposant(e)

## Other adjectives

age-old	dramatic	pointless
appalling	eco-friendly	rewarding
apparent	ethical	secondary
awe-inspiring	excessive	spectacular
beneficial	frustrating	startling
blazing	iconic	sustainable
cautious	inefficient	trapped
charismatic	innovative	unsure
constant	moving	vast
crucial	occasional	

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- 4.161 persuade** (v) /pə'sweɪd/  
talk sb into doing sth or believing sth is true  
• *Have you persuaded your parents to buy tickets for the concert?* > persuasion (n), persuasive (adj) ❖ persuader, convaincre
- 4.162 evolution** (n) /i:və'lju:ʃn/  
gradual change and development • *At some point in their evolution, dolphins returned to the sea.* > evolve (v), evolutionary (adj) ❖ évolution
- 4.163 utility bill** (n) /ju:'tɪləti bɪl/  
the charge you pay for gas, electricity, water, etc. • *Her income is very low, so she just manages to pay all her utility bills.* ❖ facture de service
- 4.164 wastewater** (n) /'weɪstwɔ:tə(r)/  
used water that comes from homes and other buildings • *Wastewater from our city is processed to clean it before being released into the sea.* ❖ eaux usées
- 4.165 stand in the way (of)** (expr) /stænd ɪn ðə weɪ (əv)/  
prevent sth from happening; prevent sb from doing sth • *When the local residents complained about the destruction of the forest, the developers accused them of standing in the way of progress.* ❖ faire obstacle (à)