# Streets ahead

# Glossary

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- 11.1 streets ahead (expr) /strixts ə'hed/
   better or more advanced The new design put the company streets ahead of the competition.
   ❖ avoir une longueur d'avance
- marina (n) /məˈriːnə/
  a harbour for small boats We watched the yachts as they sailed out of the marina.
  marina
- 11.3 skyscraper (n) /'skarskreɪpə(r)/
   a very tall building with many floors The
   city's skyscrapers are visible from miles away.
   ❖ gratte-ciel
- 11.4 vibrant (adj) /'vaɪbrənt/
  energetic and lively; bright The carnival
  floats were decorated with colours as vibrant
  as the festive atmosphere. ➤ vibrantly (adv)
  \* vibrant(e), stupéfiant(e)
- 11.5 cosmopolitan (adj) /kozməˈpolɪtən/
  with many people from different places and of
  different cultures New York is a cosmopolitan
  city where people from many different cultures
  live. ❖ cosmopolite

## Reading Pages 126-127

- the development of towns or cities on land that used to be countryside Through rapid urbanisation over the past 60 years, the population of Lagos is ten times the number it was. ➤ urban (adj), urbanise (v)

   urbanisation
- urban (adj) /'₃:bən/
  in/of a town or city This urban area needs
  more greenery for the residents to enjoy.
  urbain(e) ⑤ Opp: rural
- 11.8 dweller (n) /'dwelə(r)/ a resident of a particular place • The drawings were done by cave dwellers thousands of years ago. ➤ dwell (v), dwelling (n) \* résident(e)
- a large project, especially businessdevelopment • The indoor market was the town's first local enterprise set up as a cooperative. ➤ enterprising (adj) ❖ entreprise, initiative

- 11.10 squeeze (v) /skwi:z/
  press sth firmly in order to get liquid out of it
  I squeezed the oranges and poured the juice into a bottle. ❖ presser
- allotment (n) /ə'lɒtmənt/
  rented area of land for growing fruit and
  vegetables on It's common for people in
  large English towns to grow vegetables on
  their allotments. ➤ allot (v) ❖ lot, lotissement
- 11.12 nutrient (n) /'nju:trɪənt/
  a chemical or food that plants and animals
  need to live and grow There are natural
  nutrients in the soil which help plants grow.
  ❖ nutriment
- 11.13 yield (n) /jiːld/ amount of food that's produced ● They've had a smaller crop yield this year due to the long drought. ❖ rendement
- 11.14 redesign (v) /ˌriːdɪˈzaɪn/
  change the design of sth We redesigned the kitchen cupboards and there's lots more space now. ➤ redesign (n) ❖ concevoir à nouveau
- 11.15 oversee (v) /ˌəʊvəˈsiː/
  monitor progress of sb doing a job The
  building manager oversaw the workers
  on the construction site. ➤ overseer (n)

  superviser, piloter Syn: supervise
- 11.16 produce (n) /'prodʒuːs/ food that is produced through farming ● I love going to farmers' markets because of all the lovely produce I can find. >> produce (v)
  ❖ produire
- 11.17 sustainability (n) /səˌsteɪnəˈbɪləti/
  the use of energy and products in a way
  that can be continued without harming the
  environment Governments should make a
  commitment to environmental sustainability
  by cutting industrial pollution. ➤ sustain (v),
  sustainable (adj), sustainably (adv)

  ❖ durabilité
- abandoned (adj) /əˈbændənd/
  no longer used by the people who own it
  There are homeless people sleeping in that abandoned building. ➤ abandon (v)
  abandonné(e)
- 11.19 organic (adj) /ɔːˈgænɪk/
  grown without chemicals Organic fruit and vegetables are sold in the local farmers' market. ➤ organically (adv) ❖ biologique

- 11.20 pesticide (n) / pestisaid/ a chemical substance used for killing creatures, e.g. insects which destroy or infect crops ● Be careful not to use garden pesticides that can harm pets or children. ❖ pesticide
- 11.21 ground-breaking (adj) /ˈgraʊndˌbreɪkɪŋ/
  important and new This ground-breaking
  research could revolutionise modern farming
  methods. ❖ révolutionnaire
- 11.22 seasickness (n) /'siːˌsɪknɪs/
  feeling sick from the movement of a boat
  I suffer from seasickness, so I don't enjoy travelling by ferry. ➤ seasick (adj)
  mal de mer
- unfounded (adj) /ʌnˈfaʊndɪd/
  without a basis of facts We only had light
  rain, so our worries about the possibility of
  floods were unfounded. ❖ infondé(e)
- 11.24 reconnect (with) (v) /<sub>i</sub>riːkə¹nekt (wiθ)/
  make contact with sb/sth again The reunion
  party gave me the chance to reconnect with
  old school friends. ➤ reconnection (adj)
   ❖ se reconnecter (avec)
- an extra quantity left over in excess of what you need The shop is offering massive discounts to sell off its surplus of last year's stock. ➤ surplus (adj) ❖ surplus, excédent
- 11.26 converted (adj) /kən'vɜːtɪd/
  which has been changed to be used for
  another purpose Jack's selling his converted
  van. He travelled in it all around South
  America. ➤ convert (n, v) ❖ converti(e),
  transformé(e)
- 11.27 greenhouse (n) /'gri:n,haʊs/
  a building with glass or clear plastic walls
  and roof for growing plants in Mum is in her
  greenhouse, watering the tomato plants.

  serve
- 11.28 aquaponics (n) /ˌækwəˈpɒnɪks/
  the process of raising food crops in water with
  bacteria rather than soil Some plants, such
  as lettuce and tomatoes, can be grown in large
  quantities using aquaponics. ❖aquaponie
- 11.29 absorb (v) /əb'zɔ:b/ take sth in, usually slowly • We're growing bamboo plants in our aquarium to absorb the nutrients from the fish waste and clean the water. ➤ absorbing, absorbent (adj) • absorber
- 11.30 greenery (n) /ˈgriːnəri/
  plants and trees If there was more greenery
  in the city centre, the oxygen levels would
  improve. ❖ verdure, végétation

- built-up (adj) /ˌbɪlt 'ʌp/
  covered with buildings and streets, etc.
  They moved house when they learnt the fields opposite their home would become a built-up area. ❖ urbanisé(e), construit(e)
- **11.32 storey** (n) /stɔːri/ a floor or level of a building • We live in a fourstorey block of flats. ❖ étage
- office block (n) /'pfis blok/
  a large building divided into offices The city centre is full of high-rise office blocks.
  immeuble de bureaux

### Vocabulary Page 128

- demolish (v) /dr'molɪʃ/
  completely destroy a building so that it falls
  down It was sad to see our old family home
  being demolished to make way for the new
  housing estate. ➤ demolition (n)
  demolir
- 11.35 disastrous (adj) /dr'zɑ:strəs/
  having very bad consequences Cutting down
  the forest to build a road will have a disastrous
  effect on the environment. ➤ disaster (n),
  disastrously (adv) ❖ désastreux, désastreuse
- 11.36 landmark (n) /ˈlændmɑːk/
  a building or geographical feature which you
  can see from far away and use to find your
  direction The town hall clock tower is a
  well-known landmark that can be seen for
  miles. ❖ emblème, symbole
- 11.37 neglect (v) /nr'glekt/ not take care of ● The garden had been neglected for months and was overgrown with weeds. ➤ neglect (n), neglected (adj) ♣ négliger
- 11.38 restore (v) /rɪˈstɔː/
  repair sth to bring it back to its original
  condition Years after the tragic fire, the
  historic library was restored to its former state
  and reopened to the public. ❖ restaurer
- 11.40 run-down (adj) /rʌnˈdaʊn/
  in poor condition In most major cities, there
  are run-down areas that could be developed
  into interesting neighbourhoods.
  ❖ en ruine
- 11.41 car-free (adj) /ˌkɑːˈfri/
  where cars are not allowed Most of the city
  centre has become a car-free zone.
  ❖ sans voitures

- 11.42 municipal (adj) /mjuː'nɪsɪpəl/ belonging to a city or town ● There are impressive new municipal buildings, including the town hall, next to the waterfront. >> municipality (n) ❖ municipal(e)
- former (adj) /ˈfɔːmə(r)/
  previous; before the present time or in the past
  The former home of the president has now been turned into a museum. ❖ ancien(ne), précédent(e)
- 11.44 warehouse (n) /ˈweəhaʊs/
  a store where goods are kept before being sold or sent to shops That massive new building is a furniture warehouse.
  ❖ entrepôt
- 11.45 retail park (n) /ˈriːteɪl paːk/
  an area with many large shops together
  outside a town Many of the town's small
  shops have gone out of business since the
  new retail park opened. ❖ zone d'activité
- 11.46 congestion (n) /kənˈdʒestʃn/
  roads blocked with vehicles There's heavy
  congestion around the town centre because
  the main road is partly closed for repairs.
  ❖ congestion
- 11.47 spread out (adj) /spred aʊt/
  covering a wide area I'd prefer to live in a
  neighbourhood where the houses are more
  spread out and everyone has their own
  garden. ➤ spread out (phr v) ❖ réparti(e)
- 11.48 densely populated (expr) /'densli 'popjuleɪtɪd/ with large numbers of people living in one area Mexico City, which has over 21 million residents, is one of the most densely populated cities in the world. ❖ densément peuplé(e)
- dispose of (phr v) /dr'spəʊz əv/
  get rid of sth that you don't want or need
  You can dispose of cans, glass bottles and paper at the recycling centre. ➤ disposal (n), disposable (adj) ❖ éliminer, se débarrasser de
- 11.50 landfill site (n) /ˈlændfɪl saɪt/
  a hole in the ground where rubbish is dumped
  Nobody wants to live near a landfill site
  because of the ground pollution and the smell.
  ❖ site de décharge
- 11.51 chain store (n) /tʃeɪn stɔ:(r)/
   a shop belonging to a large company with many shops of the same name Shopping centres worldwide sell pretty much the same goods from familiar chain stores.
   ❖ chaîne de magasins
- sprawling (adj) /'sprɔːlɪŋ/
  spread out over a wide area From the
  plane, we could see the sprawling line of
  high-rise hotels along the coast. ➤ sprawl (v)
  tentaculaire

11.53 gentrification (n) /ˌdʒentrɪfɪ'keɪʃn/
the process of changing an area to attract
wealthier people than before ● The cuttingedge conference centre and converted
warehouses have contributed to the
gentrification of what used to be slums in the
city centre. ➤ gentrify (v), gentry (n)

strength gentrification

### Grammar Page 129

- 11.54 put off (phr v) /pot pf/ delay sth till a later time ● The tennis match was put off because of the rain. ❖ décaler, reporter
- 11.55 boiler (n) /'bɔɪlə(r)/ a large heater for hot water ● I had no hot water for a bath until we got the boiler repaired. ➤ boil (v), boiling (adj) ❖ chaudière
- 11.56 leisure centre (n) /'leʒə ˌsentə(r)/
  a buiding with a swimming pool, sports hall
  and rooms for meetings We booked this
  hotel because it's got a leisure centre with a
  big pool. ❖ centre de loisirs

#### **Places**

allotment landmark skyscraper chain store marina warehouse inner city office block landfill site retail park

### Listening Page 130

- 11.57 differ (v) /'dɪfə(r)/
  be different to sb/sth else My opinion on fame differs from yours in that I don't think fame brings happiness. ➤ difference (n), different (adj), differently (adv) ❖ différer
- 11.58 handy (adj) /ˈhændi/
  useful We live near the supermarket, which
  makes it handy to pop in whenever we need
  something. ❖ pratique

### Speaking Page 131

fluency (n) /ˈfluːənsi/
the ability to speak well in a foreign language
She got full marks for fluency in her French speaking test. ➤ fluent (adj), fluently (adv)
maîtrise linguistique

### Grammar Page 132

- 11.60 contaminate (v) /kənˈtæmɪneɪt/
  make sth dirty; pollute Pollution from the
  landfill site has contaminated the water supply.

  > contamination (n) ❖ contaminer
- 11.61 inhabitant (n) /ɪnˈhæbɪtənt/ sb who lives in a particular place ● This city has five million inhabitants. ➤ inhabit (v), (un)inhabited (adj) ❖ habitant(e)
- an agreement reached to suit both sides

   After a long discussion, the management and the workers' union finally reached a compromise on rates of pay. ➤ compromise

  (v) ❖ compromis
- regional (adj) /ˈriːdʒənl/
  relating to a particular area (defined as a
  region) The laws regarding green energy
  are made by the government, but the planning
  issues are dealt with at regional level.

  > region (n) ❖ régional(e)

#### **Verbs**

absorb oversee restore contaminate preserve squeeze demolish reconnect thrive neglect redesign

### Use your English Page 133

- 11.64 out on the town (expr) /aut pn ðə taun/
  visiting places for entertainment We're
  having a night out on the town to celebrate my
  promotion. ❖ prendre du bon temps
- 11.65 go to town (expr) /gəʊ tə taʊn/
  do sth enthusiastically, putting in a lot of effort

   I only intended to paint one room, but
  I went to town and did the whole house.

  ⇒ se lancer dans qq chose
- 11.66 middle of the road (expr) /mɪdl əv ðə rəʊd/ average; ordinary ● His last film was hilarious, but the sequel is just middle of the road. ❖ être ordinaire
- 11.67 on the streets (expr) /pn ðə striːts/ homeless • In such a wealthy city, it's dreadful to see so many poor people living on the streets. ❖ être à la rue
- 11.68 right up your street (expr) /raɪt ʌp jɔː striːt/ exactly what you like Since you're crazy about fashion, this clothes exhibition at the museum should be right up your street.
  ❖ convenir à merveille

- 11.69 the man in the street (expr) /ðə mæn ɪn ðə striːt/
  the average person The campaign is aimed at raising the awareness of the man in the street who knows very little about the environment. ❖ personne lambda
- 11.70 come up (phr v) /kʌm ʌp/
  happen unexpectedly Sorry I didn't call you
  sooner, but something came up and I had to
  go out. ❖ arriver, survenir
- 11.71 pull down (phr v) /pʊl daʊn/
  demolish The old cinema has been pulled
  down to build a four-storey car park.
  ❖ démolir
- put (sb) up (phr v) /pot ('sʌmbədi) ʌp/ provide temporary accommodation for sb
  When Alcino moved to Spain, his friends offered to put him up until he found a place to rent. ❖ héberger (qq'un)
- 11.73 come off (phr v) /kʌm ɒf/
  happen successfully Do you think your
  trip to the Himalayas will ever come off?
   ❖ se produire
- **11.74 stand for** (phr v) /stænd fɔː/ support or represent *The union stands for factory workers' rights.* ❖ défendre
- 11.75 restoration (n) /ˌrestəˈreɪʃn/
  the work of repairing sth to bring it back to its
  original condition The painting was badly
  damaged by fire, so its restoration was a hard
  task. ➤ restore (v) ❖ restauration, remise en
  état
- inner city (n) /'ɪnə 'sɪti/
  an area near the centre of a large city, often
  poor Living in the inner city never appealed
  to her because she was used to country life.
   quartiers déshérités
- 11.77 redevelopment (n) /ˌriːdɪ'veləpmənt/
  the work of changing the use of an area
  by constructing new buildings, roads, etc.

  The city has been modernised through
  redevelopment work, including the new tram
  system. ➤ redevelop (v) ❖ réaménagement

#### LOOK!

The prefix re-, which is common, means 'again'. It was great to **reconnect** with my cousins from Canada after so many years.

We ought to **reorganise** the office to make better use of the space.

There was public opposition to the **redevelopment** plans for the seafront.

The museum was completely **rebuilt** after the fire had destroyed it.

#### **Expressions**

out on the town go to town middle of the road on the streets right up your street the man in the street streets ahead

### Writing Pages 134–135

- 11.78 stimulating (adj) /'stɪmjʊleɪtɪŋ/
  causing enthusiasm and interest The
  committee had a stimulating discussion after
  the presentation. ➤ stimulate (v), stimulation
  (n) ❖ stimulant(e)
- 11.79 utterly (adv) /'∧təli/
  completely He was utterly exhausted by the
  end of the hike. ➤ utter (adj) ❖ totalement,
  complètement
- 11.80 delightful (adj) /dr'lartfʊl/
  charming We visited the delightful island
  of Sardinia on our cruise. ➤ delighted (adj),
  delight (v, n) ❖ ravissant(e)
- 11.81 adequate (adj) /ˈædɪkwət/
  (good) enough The availability of housing is not adequate for the number of people in the city. ➤ adequacy (n), adequately (adv)

  ❖ adéquat(e), approprié(e) ⑤ Opp: inadequate
- 11.82 mouth-watering (adj) /ˈmaʊθ wɔːtərɪŋ/
  which looks or smells delicious The
  restaurant specialises in a mouth-watering
  range of seafood dishes. ❖ qui met l'eau à la
  bouche
- 11.83 outrageous (adj) /aot'reɪdʒəs/
  shocking and unacceptable An outrageous
  number of accidents happen on this road every
  week. ➤ outrage (n), outrageously (adv)
  scandaleux, scandaleuse
- 11.84 terrifying (adj) /'terəfaɪɪŋ/
  very frightening A terrifying storm began
  when we were at sea. ➤ terrify (v), terrified
  (adj) ❖ terrifiant(e)
- tragic (adj) /'trædʒɪk/
  that makes you feel very sad because sth
  serious happened The tragic plane crash
  left a number of passengers dead. ➤ tragically
  (adv), tragedy (n) ❖ tragique
- 11.86 shabby (adj) /'∫æbi/ worn out and in a poor condition • She restored her shabby old chairs with modern fabrics and they look better than ever before. ➤ shabbily (adv), shabbiness (n) \* délabré(e)
- 11.87 date back to (phr v) /deɪt bak tuː/
  have existed for a particular length of time
  The castle dates back to ancient Roman times. ❖ remonter à, dater de

- 11.88 get away (phr v) /get əˈweɪ/ escape • We managed to get away from the hectic city for a break in the countryside. ❖ s'échapper, fuir
- 11.89 extensive (adj) /ɪksˈtensɪv/
  detailed She is an expert on antiques with
  extensive experience of restoration work.
  > extent (n) ❖ vaste
- grounds (n pl) /graunds/
   the area of land or gardens belonging to a property Their wedding took place on the grounds of a large country hotel.
   terrain, terres
- 11.91 angle (n) /ˈæŋgl/
  the direction that sth is leaning in when it is not straight up and down or lying flat The picture frame was hanging at an angle as a result of the earthquake. ❖ angle

#### Phrasal verbs

come off hold up
come up pull down
date back (to) put off
dispose of put (sb) up
get away stand for

# Live well, study well

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- 11.92 charity (n) /'tʃærəti/
  organisation that raises money to help people
  or animals in need Anima is a charity that
  helps injured wild animals in Greece.
  > charitable (adj) ❖ organisme caritatif
- 11.93 initiative (n) /ɪˈnɪʃətɪv/ ability to act without being told what to do
  The student showed initiative when he did some research alone in the library. ➤ initiate (v) ❖ initiative
- thoughtful (adj) /'θɔːtfʊl/
  always thinking of the things you can do to
  make people happy It was very thoughtful of
  you to offer to put us up. ➤ think (v), thought
  (n) ❖ attentionné(e)
- 11.95 contribution (n) /ˌkɒntrr'bjuːʃn/
  an action done to help or support sth Thanks
  for your valuable contribution to our project.
  Your advice helped us so much. ➤ contribute
  (v) ❖ contribution
- 11.96 combat (v) /'kombæt/
  stop a bad situation happening or prevent it
  from getting worse We formed a support
  network to combat the problems of youth
  unemployment. ➤ combat (n) ❖ combattre

### **Adjectives**

spread out abandoned handy stimulating terrifying thoughtful mouth-watering municipal adequate built-up converted organic outrageous tragic unfounded cosmopolitan delightful run-down extensive shabby ground-breaking sprawling urban vibrant