

6 The back of beyond

Glossary

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- 6.1 the back of beyond** (expr) /ðə bæk əv brɪ'jɒnd/
somewhere far away from any other place
• *The village lies on a hillside in the back of beyond.* ❖ am Ende der Welt
- 6.2 shelter** (n) /'ʃeltə(r)/
a building or other place that offers protection from bad weather or danger • *He made his own shelter inside this cave.* > shelter (v)
❖ der Unterstand
- 6.3 caravan** (n) /'kærə,væn/
a vehicle containing beds, cooking equipment and sometimes a small bathroom and can be pulled by a car • *We rented a caravan to stay in at a campsite on the west coast.*
❖ der Wohnwagen 📖 US Eng: trailer
- 6.4 foyer** (n) /'fɔɪeɪ/
the entrance area of a hotel, cinema, etc.
• *After we unpack in our rooms, we can meet downstairs in the foyer and decide where to have a meal.* ❖ das Foyer, die Empfangshalle
📖 Syn: lobby
- 6.5 lobby** (n) /'lɒbi/
the entrance area of a building • *As we entered the hotel, the manager greeted us in the lobby.* ❖ die Lobby, die Eingangshalle 📖
Syn: foyer
- 6.6 motel** (n) /məʊ'tel/
a hotel for drivers and their passengers that has parking spaces near the rooms • *He stopped for the night at a roadside motel.*
❖ das Motel
- 6.7 overcrowded** (adj) /,əʊvə'kraʊdɪd/
which has too many people • *In the poor areas of the city, people live in small overcrowded buildings.* ❖ überlaufene/r/s
- 6.8 suite** (n) /swi:t/
a set of rooms booked as one unit in a hotel
• *They booked a family suite with two bedrooms on the top floor of the hotel.*
❖ das Appartement
- 6.9 twin room** (n) /,tʃwɪn 'ru:m/
a hotel room with two single beds • *My friend and I booked a twin room to share as there were no single rooms available.*
❖ das Zweibettzimmer

- 6.10 upmarket** (adj) /,ʌp'mɑ:kɪt/
high-class and usually expensive • *The international conference took place at a well-known upmarket hotel in the city centre.*
❖ vornehme/r/s, gehobene/r/s
- 6.11 villa** (n) /'vɪlə/
a house, often by the sea or in a rural area, where people can stay for a holiday • *He owns a holiday villa overlooking the beach.*
❖ die Villa

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- 6.12 cuisine** (n) /kwɪ'zi:n/
a particular style of cooking • *She enjoyed eating the local cuisine, which included a variety of seafood dishes and homemade pies.*
❖ die Gastronomie, die Speisen (pl)
- 6.13 trek** (v) /trek/
to walk long distances for pleasure • *We felt pleasantly exhausted after we had trekked 20 miles across the hills.* > trek, trekking, trekker (n) ❖ lange wandern 📖 Syn: hike
- 6.14 touristy** (adj) /'tʊərɪsti/
which attracts a lot of holiday visitors and provides facilities for them • *The island's traditional fishing harbour became full of touristy cafés and souvenir shops.* > tourist, tourism (n) ❖ touristische/r/s
- 6.15 evergreen** (adj) /'evəgrɪn/
with leaves that stay green all year • *They trekked through pine trees in the evergreen forest.* > evergreen (n) ❖ immergrüne/r/s
- 6.16 vine** (n) /vaɪn/
a type of climbing plant • *It was difficult to find the forest path which was overgrown with vines.* ❖ die Kletterpflanze
- 6.17 bungalow** (n) /'bʌŋɡələʊ/
a house built on one level • *Apart from the main hotel building, there are individual bungalows in the hotel grounds.*
❖ der Bungalow
- 6.18 fortunes** (n pl) /'fɔ:tʃu:nz/
the circumstances and chances of succeeding that affect sb/sth • *The island's fortunes are dependent on tourism.* > fortunate (adj), fortunately (adv) ❖ das Schicksal

- 6.19** **resettle** (v) /ˌriːˈsetl/
to move or help others to move from their homes to live in another place • *Realising the volcano would destroy their town, they left their homes and resettled on another island.*
> resettlement (n) ❖ umsiedeln
- 6.20** **lodge** (n) /lɒdʒ/
a small house where people stay for a holiday, especially to take part in an outdoor activity
• *The wooden holiday lodges were situated near the lake.* > lodge (v) ❖ das Häuschen
- 6.21** **resort** (n) /rɪˈzɔːt/
a place which provides facilities for many people to stay on holiday • *The mountain village is a popular winter resort, attracting skiers and snowboarders.* ❖ der Ferienort
- 6.22** **homestay** (n) /ˈhəʊmsteɪ/
a paid holiday stay in a host's family home
• *The cost of our trip to Nepal included a homestay with our mountain guide's family.*
❖ die Familienunterkunft
- 6.23** **apron** (n) /ˈeɪprən/
an item of clothing worn in front of the body to keep your clothes clean when preparing food or doing other jobs • *Before making the bread, he put on an apron to avoid getting covered with flour.* ❖ die Schürze
- 6.24** **mangrove** (n) /ˈmæŋgrəʊv/
a tree that grows in wet tropical areas and has twisting roots above ground and in water
• *Mangrove trees are common along the coast and rivers of Thailand.* ❖ der Mangrovenbaum
- 6.25** **resist** (v) /rɪˈzɪst/
avoid the harmful effects of • *They built a new roof to resist the strong winds.* > resistance (n) ❖ standhalten
- 6.26** **devastating** (adj) /ˈdevəsteɪtɪŋ/
causing serious damage • *The devastating earthquake left the town in ruins.*
> devastation (n), devastate (v)
❖ verheerende/r/s
- 6.27** **hydroelectricity** (n) /ˌhaɪdrəʊˌlekˈtrɪsəti/
electricity generated using the power of water
• *With its high rainfall and mountainous terrain, Scotland produces most of the UK's hydroelectricity.* > hydroelectric (adj)
❖ die Wasserkraft
- 6.28** **mining** (n) /ˈmaɪnɪŋ/
the industry that involves taking coal or metals from under the ground • *Thousands of people once travelled across North America to make their fortune from gold mining.* ❖ der Bergbau
- 6.29** **timber** (n) /ˈtɪmbə(r)/
wood that can be used for building or making things • *The natural forest was replaced with pine trees grown for timber.* ❖ das Nutzholz

- 6.30** **ecotourism** (n) /ˌiːkəʊtʊərɪzəm/
holidays designed to avoid damaging the environment or to participate in protecting it
• *Travel agents now offer ecotourism options for holidaymakers who want to experience the natural environment.* > ecotourist (n)
❖ der Ökotourismus

LOOK!

We use the prefix **eco-** with many words related with the environment. .
*Manufacturers are encouraged to use **eco-friendly** packaging.*
Ecotourism is supporting the elephant sanctuary.
*The newly designed **ecotown** will have a minimal impact on the environment.*

- 6.31** **sanctuary** (n) /ˈsæŋktʃuəri/
a safe place where wildlife is protected
• *We took photos of the flamingos in the bird sanctuary at the lake.* ❖ das Schutzgebiet
📎 Syn: reserve
- 6.32** **dam** (n) /dæm/
a barrier, like a large wall, built across a river to block the flow of water • *When the dam was built, the end of the valley was transformed into a lake.* > dam (v) ❖ der Damm
- 6.33** **villager** (n) /ˈvɪlɪdʒə(r)/
a person who lives in a village • *Many of the villagers make a living by providing accommodation and other facilities for tourists.*
❖ der/die Dorfbewohner/-in

Parts of a hotel

foyer	suite
lobby	twin room

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- 6.34** **self-catering** (adj) /ˌself ˈkeɪtərɪŋ/
(accommodation) with cooking facilities and no meals provided • *Self-catering holidays are a good option for families who don't want to eat out every day.* > self-catering (n)
❖ Selbstversorger-
- 6.35** **luxurious** (adj) /lʌkˈʒʊəriəs/
expensive with many extra comforts • *They stayed in a luxurious room with a huge private bathroom and an amazing balcony overlooking the lake.* > luxury (n) ❖ luxuriöse/r/s, Luxus-
- 6.36** **modest** (adj) /ˈmɒdɪst/
basic, simple • *They live a simple life in a modest country cottage.* > modesty (n)
❖ bescheidene/r/s

- 6.37 studio apartment** (n) /'stju:diəʊ ə'pɑ:tmənt/
a small flat which has one room for living, eating and sleeping in, plus a kitchen and bathroom • *She doesn't have room for much furniture as she lives in a studio apartment.* ❖ die Einzimmerwohnung
- 6.38 opt** (v) /ɒpt/
choose • *After checking out the menu, we opted for a traditional fish dish.* > option (n) ❖ wählen
- 6.39 bed and breakfast** (n) /,bed ən 'brekfəst/
an accommodation deal, including a room and a morning meal • *I've booked to stay for a week's holiday at a bed and breakfast.* ❖ das Bed and Breakfast 📖 Abbrev: B&B
- 6.40 full-board** (n) /fʊl bɔ:d/
an accommodation deal, including a room to stay in and breakfast, lunch and dinner • *Our conference fees included full-board at the hotel, so we didn't have to worry about eating out.* ❖ die Vollpension
- 6.41 outing** (n) /'aʊtɪŋ/
a short trip for pleasure or education • *Our guide took us on an outing to an archaeological site.* ❖ der Ausflug 📖 Syn: excursion
- 6.42 inn** (n) /ɪn/
a small hotel or place which serves drinks in the countryside • *You can have a meal at a roadside inn and stay the night there if you wish.* ❖ der Gasthof
- 6.43 guest house** (n) /gest haʊs/
a small hotel • *Many of the village homes near the winter sports centre are also guest houses.* ❖ das Gasthaus
- 6.44 honeymoon** (n) /'hʌnɪmu:n/
a holiday taken by a newly married couple after their wedding • *Dave and Louise spent their honeymoon at Lake Como after their wedding in Rome.* ❖ die Flitterwochen (pl)
- 6.45 sunblock** (n) /'sʌnblok/
a cream you put on your skin to prevent it being damaged by the sun • *The doctor advised him to wear sunblock on his face even in winter.* ❖ die Sonnenschutzcreme 📖 Syn: sun cream
- 6.46 sunburn** (n) /'sʌnbɜ:n/
redness and burns on the skin caused by the sun • *Sit in the shade after your swim or you'll get sunburn.* ❖ der Sonnenbrand
- 6.47 tariff** (n) /'tærɪf/
a list of prices for rooms and services at a hotel • *We compared hotel tariffs on the booking platform to decide which one had the best price.* ❖ das Preisverzeichnis
- 6.48 rate** (n) /reɪt/
a level of payment • *They hired a car from the company that offered the most economical rates.* ❖ der Preis
- 6.49 upgrade** (n) /,ʌp'ɡreɪd/
giving sb a better room, etc. than what they had paid for • *The shower wasn't working in our hotel room, so the manager gave us an upgrade and moved us into a suite.* > upgrade (v) ❖ das Upgrade
- 6.50 itinerary** (n) /aɪ'tɪnərəri/
a plan and schedule for a journey • *The five-day itinerary includes daily outings to different historic sites.* ❖ die Reiseroute
- 6.51 vacancy** (n) /'veɪkənsi/
available accommodation • *There were no vacancies at any of the hotels on the island, so we rented a tent at the campsite.* > vacant (adj) ❖ der freie Platz
- 6.52 availability** (n) /ə'veɪlə'bɪləti/
how easy or possible it is to obtain sth • *The travel agent promised to arrange our outing after confirming the availability of a tour guide.* > available (adj) ❖ die Verfügbarkeit 📖 Opp: unavailability
- 6.53 (holiday) rep** (n) /('hɒlədeɪ) rep/
sb whose job is to represent a (travel) company • *The holiday rep greeted us at the airport and led us to our coach.* ❖ der/die Animateur/-in
- 6.54 porter** (n) /'pɔ:tə(r)/
sb whose job is to carry customers' bags at a hotel, station, etc. • *The porter will take your luggage to your room, sir* ❖ der Portier/die Portiere
- 6.55 day by day** (expr) /deɪ baɪ 'deɪ/
gradually, a little bit at a time • *Day by day, my skin is beginning to recover from the sunburn. It'll soon be back to normal again.* ❖ mit jedem Tag
- 6.56 reserve** (v) /rɪ'zɜ:v/
arrange for a hotel room, a table at a restaurant, etc. to be kept for you to use at a particular time in the future • *Could I reserve a twin room with full-board for six nights, please?* > reservation (n) ❖ reservieren
- 6.57 cancellation** (n) /,kænsə'leɪʃn/
sth, e.g. a booking, that has been cancelled • *The concert was fully booked when I first tried to buy a ticket, so I felt lucky to find a cancellation at the last moment.* > cancel (v) ❖ die Stornierung

Types of accommodation

bed and breakfast	guest house	sanctuary
bungalow	homestay	self-catering
caravan	inn	studio apartment
full-board	lodge	
	motel	

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- 6.58 indigenous** (adj) /ɪnˈdɪdʒənəs/
native to an area • *Our holiday accommodation was in large tents, similar to the homes of the indigenous people of Mongolia.* ❖ *einheimische/r/s, eingeborene/r/s*
- 6.59 maize** (n) /meɪz/
the yellow grains of a tall plant which are eaten as a vegetable • *The street sellers roasted maize to make fresh popcorn.* ❖ *der Mais*
📖 Syn: corn

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- 6.60 frustrated** (adj) /frʌˈstreɪtɪd/
annoyed because you can't do sth as you would like to • *He was frustrated at the delay as it meant he might miss his connecting flight.*
➤ *frustrate* (v), *frustration* (n), *frustrating* (adj)
❖ *frustrierte/r/s, genervte/r/s*
- 6.61 come as a shock** (expr) /kʌm əz ə ʃɒk/
be a shock; be unexpected • *His decision to emigrate came as a shock to all his friends.*
❖ *ein Schock sein*

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- 6.62 maintenance** (n) /ˈmeɪntənəns/
keeping sth in good condition • *The hotel was closed for maintenance during the winter.*
➤ *maintain* (v) ❖ *die Wartung*
- 6.63 cross-cultural** (adj) /ˌkrɒs ˈkʌltʃərəl/
involving different cultures • *The annual cross-cultural festival brings together bands and dance performances from many nations.*
❖ *kulturübergreifende/r/s*
- 6.64 loss** (n) /lɒs/
the fact or process of not having sb/sth or having less of sth • *My grandfather suffered a loss of memory as he got into his eighties.*
➤ *lose* (v) ❖ *der Verlust*
- 6.65 uninhabited** (adj) /ˌʌnɪnˈhæbɪtɪd/
with nobody living there • *The village has remained uninhabited ever since it was destroyed by an earthquake.* ➤ *inhabit* (v), *inhabitant* (n) ❖ *unbewohnte/r/s*
📖 Opp: inhabited

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- 6.66 inviting** (adj) /ɪnˈvaɪtɪŋ/
that attracts you to do or try sth • *The smell of freshly baked potatoes was most inviting.*
➤ *invite* (v), *invitation* (n), *invitingly* (adv)
❖ *einladende/r/s*
- 6.67 resent** (v) /rɪˈzent/
feel annoyed or angry about sth you think is unfair • *She resented having to give up her window seat on the plane although she had sat in someone else's place.* ➤ *resentment* (n), *resentful* (adj) ❖ *sich (über etw./jdn.) ärgern*

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- 6.68 call off** (phr v) /kɔːl ɒf/
cancel • *The building project was called off due to objections from the local community.*
❖ *absagen*
- 6.69 fit in** (phr v) /fɪt ɪn/
be similar to others in a group • *If you make an effort and show respect to your neighbours, you'll soon fit in with your new community.*
❖ *sich eingliedern*
- 6.70 hold up** (phr v) /həʊld ʌp/
delay • *Adverse weather conditions have held up our delivery services.* ❖ *verzögern*
- 6.71 line up** (phr v) /laɪn ʌp/
form a row • *The restaurant was full, so we lined up at the door to wait for a table.*
❖ *anstehen* 📖 Syn: *queue* (up)
- 6.72 settle in** (phr v) /ˈsetl ɪn/
get used to a new place • *Everyone was so friendly, so it was easy to settle in at her new job.* ❖ *sich einleben*
- 6.73 exposure** (n) /ɪksˈpəʊʒə(r)/
experiencing sth without protection from possible harm • *A little exposure to the sun provides a necessary amount of vitamin D.*
➤ *expose* (v) ❖ *der Kontakt*
- 6.74 sun stroke** (n) /ˈsʌn streɪk/
a medical condition caused by too much time in the sun • *Feeling really sick as a result of sun stroke, I regretted spending the whole day in the hot sun without a hat on.*
❖ *der Sonnenstich*
- 6.75 drive (sb) up the wall** (expr) /draɪv (ˈsʌmbədi) ʌp ðə ˈwɔːl/
annoy (sb) very much • *That awful noise from the construction site is driving me up the wall! I hope it stops soon.* ❖ (jdm.) *auf den Wecker gehen*

- 6.76 in the same boat** (expr) /ɪn ðə seɪm bəʊt/
in a similar bad situation • *All of the homes in the area were affected by the power cut, so we were all in the same boat without electricity.*
❖ im selben Boot (sitzen)
- 6.77 off the beaten track** (expr) /ɒf ðə 'bi:tɪn træk/
far away from other places or well-known routes • *It's good to get off the beaten track and discover new places far away from the usual sights.* ❖ abseits der Touristenpfade
- 6.78 go the extra mile** (expr) /gəʊ ði 'ektə ,maɪl/
do more than is usually expected • *The guest house owners really went the extra mile to make our stay as enjoyable as possible.*
❖ sich besonders ins Zeug legen
- 6.79 have itchy feet** (expr) /hæv 'ɪtʃi fi:t/
be impatient to go somewhere else or do sth different • *After watching so many travel documentaries, he was starting to get itchy feet.* ❖ Fernweh haben
- 6.80 smooth sailing** (expr) /smuð 'seɪlɪŋ/
sth that's easy to do • *When we found our way onto the right path, it was smooth sailing all the way back home.* ❖ glatt laufen
- 6.81 anxiety** (n) /æŋ'zaɪəti/
worry • *Make sure you set off early to avoid any anxiety you may feel about missing your flight.* > anxious (adj), anxiously (adv)
❖ die Angst
- 6.82 coverage** (n) /'kʌvərɪdʒ/
reporting in the media • *This news channel has the best coverage of political issues.*
> cover (v) ❖ die Berichterstattung

Phrasal verbs

call off fit in hold up line up settle in

Expressions

day by day	in the same boat
drive (sb) up the wall	off the beaten track
go the extra mile	smooth sailing
have itchy feet	the back of beyond

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- 6.83 aspect** (n) /'æspekt/
one side or quality of a situation, problem, idea, etc. • *We should consider every aspect of the plan.* ❖ der Aspekt
- 6.84 evaluate** (v) /ɪ'veɪljʊeɪt/
judge • *She wrote a five-star review evaluating the service at the hotel.* > evaluation (n)
❖ bewerten

- 6.85 trainee** (n) /ˌtreɪˈniː/
an employee learning to do a particular job
• *The trainee reporter had some inaccuracies in his story as he didn't have the full picture.*
> train (v), training (n), trained (adj)
❖ der/die Auszubildende
- 6.86 informative** (adj) /ɪn'fɔ:mətɪv/
giving a lot of information • *The review of the resort was informative and amusing.* > inform (v), information (n), informatively (adv)
❖ aussagekräftige/r/s
- 6.87 dissatisfaction** (n) /ˌdɪs,sætɪs'fækʃn/
a feeling of being disappointed or displeased
• *I intend to write to the manager to express my dissatisfaction with the hotel service.*
> dissatisfy (v), dissatisfied (adj)
❖ die Unzufriedenheit 📖 Opp: satisfaction

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- 6.88 sledge** (n) /sledʒ/
a vehicle that sb sits on to slide across snow
• *The children sat on their sledge and slid down the snowy slope.* > sledge (v)
❖ der Schlitten 📖 Also: sled
- 6.89 officially** (adv) /ə'fɪʃli/
according to the law or rules • *At the moment, the players are still training as the tournament will officially begin tomorrow.* > official (adj)
❖ offiziell
- 6.90 customs** (n pl) /'kʌstəmz/
the area at an airport or border where travellers and their bags are checked for illegal goods • *We had to wait in a long queue to pass through customs at the airport.*
❖ der Zoll (sg)
- 6.91 official** (n) /ə'fɪʃl/
a government employee • *The customs official at the airport insisted we open our suitcases.*
> official (adj), officially (adv) ❖ der Beamte/ die Beamtin
- 6.92 navigator** (n) /'nævɪgeɪtə(r)/
a person who directs the course of a ship, plane or car • *Both the pilot and the navigator were missing after their plane crashed.*
> navigate (v), navigation (n) ❖ der Seemann/ die Seefrau
- 6.93 clerk** (n) /kla:k/
(US Eng) a person who serves customers in a shop • *The sales clerk in the clothes shop was very helpful.* > clerical (adj)
❖ der/die Verkäufer/-in
- 6.94 dog sledder** (n) /'dɒg sledə(r)/
a person who rides on a sledge that is pulled by dogs • *Dog sledders travel long distances across the snow in Arctic regions.*
❖ der/die Hundeschlittenführer/-in, der/die Musher/-in

6.95 **fluent** (adj) /'flu:ənt/
sb who can speak a foreign language well,
without effort • *Our guide was fluent in
Spanish and Portuguese.* > fluently (adv),
fluency (n) ❖ fließende/r/s

Adjectives

cross-cultural	inviting	touristy
evergreen	luxurious	uninhabited
fluent	modest	upmarket
frustrated	overcrowded	
informative	self-catering	

People and jobs

clerk	porter
customs official	trainee
dog sledder	villager
(holiday) rep	
navigator	