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Glossary

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* 1. **rainbow** (n) /ˈreɪnbəʊ/

a semi-circular band of different colours that sometimes appears in the sky when the sun shines through rain ● *The photo caught the beautiful colours of the rainbow above the hills.*

* + - arcobaleno
  1. **form** (v) /fɔːm/

to start to exist ● *The rocks were formed millions of years ago from the bodies of tiny organisms in the sea.* ➣ form, formation (n)

* + - formare

Reading **Pages 78–79**

* 1. **disaster** (n) /dɪˈzɑːstə(r)/

a sudden event or accident which causes great damage or suffering ● *Thousands of people died in the earthquake. It was a disaster.*

➣ disastrous (adj) ❖ disastro

* 1. **avalanche** (n) /ˈævəlɑːnʧ/

lots of snow which falls down the side of a mountain ● *The village was buried by an avalanche which came down from the mountain.* ❖ valanga

* 1. **cause** (v) /kɔːz/

make sth happen ● *The storm caused a lot of serious problems.* ➣ cause (n) ❖ causare

* 1. **damage** (n) /ˈdæmɪʤ/

harm ● *Some fishermen cause damage to the coral reef and kill many creatures that live there.* ➣ damage (v) ❖ danno

* 1. **flood** (n) /flʌd/

a large amount of water covering an area that is usually dry ● *It rained for days and there were terrible floods.* ➣ flood (v) ❖ inondazione

* 1. **hurricane** (n) /ˈhʌrɪkən/

a storm with very strong fast winds ● *The hurricane called Katrina destroyed many parts of the city of New Orleans.* ❖ uragano

* 1. **wildfire** (n) /ˈwaɪldfaɪə(r)/

a fire that starts and spreads very quickly and cannot be controlled ● *The wildfire burnt thousands of trees.* ❖ incendio incontrollato

* 1. **shake** (v) /ʃeɪk/

to make small movements you cannot stop

* *After waiting at the bus stop for an hour, he was shaking from the cold.* ➣ shake (n)
  + - scuotere
  1. **canyon** (n) /ˈkænjən/

a long narrow valley with steep sides ● *The most famous canyon in the world must be the Grand Canyon in the USA.* ❖ canyon

* 1. **landslide** (n) /ˈlændslaɪd/

when rocks and earth fall down off the side of a mountain ● *The rain caused a landslide and rocks blocked the road for weeks.*

* + - frana
  1. **tidal current** (n) /ˈtaɪdl ˈkʌrənt/

a strong flow of the sea that moves away from or towards the coast ● *The boat was pulled out to sea in the tidal current.* ❖ corrente di marea

* 1. **tsunami** (n) /tsuːˈnɑːmi/

a very large wave from the sea, often caused by an earthquake ● *When the tsunami struck, the seaside homes were covered by water.*

* + - tsunami
  1. **steam** (n) /stiːm/

vapour from hot water ● *Don’t burn your hands on the steam coming from that hot saucepan.*

* + - vapore
  1. **tide** (n) /taɪd/

the current that causes the rise and fall of the sea level twice a day ● *The beach ball was pulled out to sea by the tide.* ➣ tidal (adj)

* + - marea
  1. **wave** (n) /weɪv/

a large mass of water flowing, e.g. in the sea

* *Suddenly, a big wave came and covered the beach.* ➣ wavy (adj) ❖ onda
  1. **valley** (n) /ˈvæli/

an area of land between hills ● *Our hotel was in the valley, so it was a difficult walk up the hill the next day.* ❖ vallata

* 1. **stream** (n) /striːm/

a small river ● *You can see the fish in the stream because it isn’t deep.* ❖ ruscello

* 1. **constantly** (n) /ˈkɒnstəntli/

again and again, without stopping ● *He waited for his interview, constantly looking at his watch.* ➣ constant (adj) ❖ costantemente

* 1. **strike** (v) /straɪk/

to happen suddenly and cause a person or place to suffer ● *The earthquake struck the island at 3.17 a.m.* ❖ scioperare

* 1. **coast** (n) /kəʊst/

the land next to or near the sea ● *We walked along the coast and saw some sea gulls.*

➣ coastal (adj) ❖ costa

* 1. **creature** (n) /ˈkriːʧə/

an animal; a living thing ● *There are lots of strange creatures that live in the ocean.*

➣ create (v), creator (n) ❖ creatura

* 1. **food chain** (n) /ˈfuːd tʃeɪn/

the system of living things in which each one eats the next one in the series ● *Insects, eaten by birds and many small animals, are an important part of the food chain.* ❖ catena alimentare

* 1. **in turn** (expr) /ɪn tɜːn/

as a result ● *The streets were flooded and, in turn, there was a power cut.* ❖ a sua volta

* 1. **ecosystem** (n) /ˈiːkəʊˌsɪstəm/

all the plants and animals that live in the same place and their relationship ● *The ecosystem of the area has been destroyed by careless farming.* ❖ ecosistema

* 1. **habitat** (n) /ˈhæbɪtæt/

the environment where an animal or plant lives or grows ● *The tropics are the natural habitat of parrots.* ❖ habitat

* 1. **marine** (adj) /mæˈriːn/

of the sea ● *She studies marine life in the Mediterranean Sea.* ❖ marino

* 1. **sperm whale** (n) /ˈspɜːm weɪl/

a large whale that people kill for its fat and oil

* *Sperm whales are an endangered species due to overfishing.* ❖ capodoglio
  1. **adapt** (v) /əˈdæpt/

to change to suit a situation ● *It isn’t always easy to adapt to life in a foreign country.*

➣ adaptation (n) ❖ adattare

* 1. **surface** (n) /ˈsɜːfɪs/

the top or outside part of sth ● *You must wash kitchen surfaces well before you prepare food on them.* ❖ superficie

* 1. **mammal** (n) /ˈmæml/

an animal that gives birth to young animals, not eggs, and can feed them with its natural milk ● *Dolphins and whales are mammals, not fish.* ❖ mammifero

* 1. **breathe** (v) /briːð/

to take air into your lungs and send it out again through your nose or mouth ● *The smoke from the fire made it difficult to breathe.* ➣ breath

(n) ❖ respirare

* 1. **document** (v) /ˈdɒkjument/

to record sth in writing or as an image

* *They documented the results of their research in the report.* ➣ document, documentary (n) ❖ documentare

Vocabulary **Page 80**

* 1. **drought** (n) /draʊt/

a long time without enough rain

* *A lot of plants and animals died in the drought.* ❖ siccità
  1. **typhoon** (n) /taɪˈfuːn/

a tropical storm with extremely strong winds

* *The roof of the house was blown off in the typhoon.* ❖ tifone
  1. **aid worker** (n) /eɪd ˈwɜːkə(r)/

sb who works for an organisation that helps people in difficult situations ● *Aid workers arrived to help the families left homeless after the earthquake.* ❖ volontario

* 1. **collapse** (v) /kəˈlæps/

fall down ● *The block of flats collapsed in the earthquake.* ➣ collapse (v, n) ❖ collassare, crollare

* 1. **trap** (v) /træp/

to keep sb in a dangerous place that they want to get out of but can’t ● *The people of the village were trapped in their homes by the heavy snow and couldn’t get out to buy food.*

➣ trap (n) ❖ intrappolare

* 1. **survivor** (n) /səˈvaɪvə(r)/

sb who is still alive after an event or situation that could have killed them ● *It was a terrible accident. There were no survivors.* ➣ survive (v), survival (n) ❖ superstite

* 1. **volunteer** (n) /vɒlənˈtɪə/

sb who works willingly and without payment

* *Many people were volunteers for the Olympic Games.* ➣ volunteer (v), voluntary (adj) ❖ volontario
  1. **structure** (n) /ˈstrʌkʧə(r)/

sth that has been built ● *The Eiffel Tower is one of the most interesting structures we've seen.* ❖ struttura

* 1. **supplies** (n pl) /səˈplaɪz/

things such as food, medicine, etc. that you need to live or in order to do a particular activity ● *They keep their food and other supplies over there.* ➣ supply (v) ❖ forniture

* 1. **crisis** (n) /ˈkraɪsɪs/

an emergency or really bad situation

* *Countries should work together to help each other in times of crisis.* ❖ crisi
  1. **real-time** (adj) /ˌrɪəl ˈtaɪm/

live at the time sth actually happens

* *The website gave a real-time news report from the scene of the flood.* ➣ real time (n)
  + - in tempo reale

**Natural disasters**

crisis hurricane

drought landslide

flood tornado

tsunami typhoon wildfire

Grammar **Page 81**

* 1. **feel like** (phr) /fiːl laɪk/

to want to or be in the mood to do sth

* *I didn’t feel like going out in the cold, so I decided to stay in for the day.* ❖ avere voglia di

Listening **Page 82**

* 1. **safety** (n) /ˈseɪfti/

being safe from danger ● *The rescue team carried the injured climber to safety.* ➣ safe (adj), safely (adv) ❖ sicurezza

* 1. **put out** (phr v) /pʊt aʊt/

to stop sth from burning ● *It took them two days to put the wildfire out.* ❖ estinguere

* 1. **safely** (adv) /ˈseɪfli/

without being hurt or damaged ● *Although it was snowing heavily, she managed to drive home safely.* ➣ safe (adj), safety (n)

* + - in modo sicuro
  1. **twig** (n) /twɪɡ/

a very small branch of a tree ● *The little bird sat on a tiny twig on top of the tree.* ❖ parrucca

* 1. **log** (n) /lɒɡ/

a thick piece of wood that is cut from a tree

* *I put another log on the fire to warm up the room.* ❖ ceppo
  1. **rainforest** (n) /ˈreɪnfɒrɪst/

a thick forest in the tropics ● *Half the Amazon rainforest could be lost in a few years because people are destroying the trees.* ❖ foresta pluviale

* 1. **clear** (v) /klɪər/

to make sth clean and tidy ● *If we clear the beach of rubbish, it will be a safer place for sea turtles.* ❖ liberare

* 1. **eucalyptus** (n) /ˌjuːkəˈlɪptəs/

a type of tall tree with strong smelling leaves

* *Eucalyptus trees are native to Australia, where koalas eat their leaves.* ❖ eucalipto
  1. **seed** (n) /siːd/

the small hard part inside a plant or fruit that new plants can grow from ● *The farmer was planting seeds in his field to grow cabbages.*

* + - seme
  1. **release** (v) /rɪˈliːs/

to let a substance move freely ● *The body releases adrenaline when a person is scared.*

➣ release (n) ❖ rilasciare

* 1. **sloth** (n) /sləʊθ/

an animal that lives in trees in Central or South America and moves really slowly ● *The sloth climbed very slowly and carefully along the branch of the tree.* ❖ bradipo

* 1. **sunlight** (n) /ˈsʌnlaɪt/

the light from the sun ● *The sunlight shone through the bedroom window and woke me up.*

➣ sunlit (adj) ❖ luce del sole

**Environment and living things**

creature ecosystem eucalyptus food chain habitat

log

mammal marine rainforest seed sloth

sperm whale

sunlight tidal current tide

twig

Speaking **Page 83**

* 1. **rescue** (v) /ˈreskjuː/

to save sb/sth from a dangerous situation

* *The sailors were rescued from their sinking ship by helicopter.* ➣ rescue, rescuer (n)
  + - soccorrere
  1. **rescuer** (n) /ˈreskjuːə(r)/

a person who saves sb from a dangerous situation ● *He thanked his rescuers for saving his life.* ➣ rescue (v, n) ❖ soccorritore

Grammar **Page 84**

* 1. **frequently** (adv) /ˈfriːkwəntli/

often ● *The mountain road is frequently blocked with snow in winter.* ➣ frequent (adj), frequency (n) ❖ di frequente

Use your English **Page 85**

* 1. **take a rain check** (expr) /teɪk ə ˈreɪn ʧek/ to put something off until a later date ● *I’ve*

*just broken my arm, so I’ll have to take a rain check on our tennis match.* ❖ rimandare a data da destinarsi

* 1. **have (my) head in the clouds** (expr) /hæv (maɪ) hed ɪn ðə klaʊdz/

not be concentrating; be unrealistic ● *She is not very sensible or practical. She has her head in the clouds.* ❖ avere la testa tra le nuvole

* 1. **be in hot water** (expr) /biː ɪn hɒt ˈwɔːtə/ to be in big trouble ● *She was in hot water*

*after she crashed her dad’s car.* ❖ essere nei guai

* 1. **storm clouds (are) gathering** (expr) /stɔːm klaʊdz (ɑː(r)) ˈɡæðərɪŋ/

there’s trouble on the way ● *Storm clouds were gathering over the company when sales dropped dramatically last year.* ❖ c'è aria di tempesta

* 1. **be down to earth** (expr) /biː daʊn tuː ɜːθ/ be practical and sensible ● *If you want*

*sensible advice, ask Kate. She’s very down to earth.* ❖ pratico

* 1. **steal someone’s thunder** (expr) /stiːl

ˈsʌmwʌns ˈθʌndə(r)/

to take the attention and praise from sb by doing or saying what they planned to do or say first ● *I just told my sister that you’re getting married. Sorry I stole your thunder!* ❖ rubare la scena

* 1. **get wind of** (expr) /ˈget wɪnd ɒv/

to find out about sth private or secret ● *If Georgia gets wind of the party plans, it will spoil the surprise. So please keep quiet about it!* ❖ arrivare la voce

* 1. **the calm before the storm** (expr) /ðə kɑːm bɪˈfɔː ðə stɔːm/

there’s trouble on the way ● *I just felt a small earthquake, but I’m afraid it’s just the calm before the storm and we’re about to have a bigger one.* ❖ la calma prima della tempesta

* 1. **tornado** (n) /tɔːˈneɪdəʊ/

an extremely violent storm consisting of air that spins and causes destruction ● *The tornado destroyed all the houses in the street.*

* + - tornado
  1. **flame** (n) /fleɪm/

bright burning gas that you see when sth is on fire ● *The flames in the fireplace burned orange and blue.* ❖ fiamma

* 1. **skyscraper** (n) /ˈskaɪskreɪpə(r)/

a very tall building with many floors

* *I couldn’t believe the size of the skyscrapers in Dubai. All the modern buildings were huge.*
  + - grattacielo

# Expressions

Writing **Pages 86–87**

* 1. **sequence** (n) /ˈsiːkwəns/

a logical order of things one after the other

* *This radio station plays the songs in the same sequence every day, so it’s a bit boring.*
  + - sequenza
  1. **meanwhile** (adv) /miːnwaɪl/

while sth else is happening; in the time between two things happening ● *Jack was in his room studying. Meanwhile, I was preparing dinner*. ❖ nel frattempo

* 1. **go out** (phr v) /ɡəʊ aʊt/

stop shining or burning ● *The lights went out during the earthquake.* ❖ uscire

* 1. **uncomfortable** (adj) /ʌnˈkʌmftəbl/

not letting you feel physically relaxed ● *The hotel bed was so uncomfortable that I couldn’t sleep.* ❖ scomodo ✎ Opp: comfortable

* 1. **sunrise** (n) /ˈsʌnraɪz/

the start of the day when the sun rises in the sky ● *The farmer got up at sunrise every day to work in the fields.* ❖ alba ✎ Opp: sunset

* 1. **turquoise** (adj) /ˈtɜːkwɔɪz/

blue-green coloured ● *She dived into the deep turquoise sea.* ➣ turquoise (n)

* + - turchese
  1. **crater** (n) /ˈkreɪtə(r)/

the wide hole at the top of a volcano ● *Hot lava and gas began to rise from inside the crater of the volcano as it erupted.* ❖ cratere

* 1. **ray** (n) /reɪ/

a thin line of light ● *We took a photo of the sun's rays breaking through the clouds.*

* + - raggio
  1. **peak** (n) /piːk/

the top of a mountain ● *You can’t see the peak of that mountain from here as it is always covered by clouds.* ❖ vetta

* 1. **take (my) breath away** (expr) /teɪk (maɪ) breθ əˈweɪ/

to be very beautiful or surprising

* *The gorgeous view took my breath away.*
  + - che lascia senza fiato
  1. **admire** (v) /ədˈmaɪə(r)/

to look at sb/sth and think it is attractive

* *I really admire her; she is so talented and*

be down to earth be in hot water get wind of

have (my) head in the clouds

out and about

steal someone’s thunder storm clouds are

gathering

take (my) breath away take a rain check

the calm before the storm

*creative.* ➣ admiration (n), admirable (adj)

* + ammirare
  1. **charming** (adj) /ˈʧɑːmɪŋ/

attractive ● *The charming traditional song was beautifully played.* ➣ charm (v, n)

* + - affascinante
  1. **gorgeous** (adj) /ˈgɔːʤəs/

very attractive and beautiful ● *You look gorgeous in that red dress.* ❖ stupendo

* 1. **race** (v) /reɪs/

to move quickly ● *I raced home from school to tell my mum the good news.* ➣ race (n)

* + - affrettarsi
  1. **stunning** (adj) /ˈstʌnɪŋ/

extremely beautiful ● *The stunning photos of the Pyramids really impressed them.* ➣ stun

(v) ❖ strepitoso

* 1. **wander** (v) /ˈwɒndə(r)/

walk around slowly, with no special plan ● *The lost boy was found wandering the streets.*

* + - passeggiare
  1. **harbour** (n) /ˈhɑːbə(r)/

an area on the coast where ships can stop for people to get on and off ● *The children waved to the people on the boat as it sailed out of the harbour.* ❖ porto

* 1. **vivid** (adj) /ˈvɪvɪd/

producing very clear images in the mind

* *Grandma tells vivid stories of her childhood as if it was only yesterday.* ➣ vividness (n)
  + - vivido
  1. **glance** (v) /glɑːns/

look at sb/sth quickly ● *I saw a red car go by when I glanced at the street.* ➣ glance (n)

* + - dare un'occhiata
  1. **dash** (v) /dæʃ/

to run fast ● *He dashed down the street to catch the bus which was coming.* ➣ dash (n)

* + - schizzare

**Geographical features**

canyon coast crater

peak stream surface

valley

Live well, study well

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* 1. **out and about** (expr) /ˈaʊt ənd əˈbaʊt/ active and travelling around ● *It will be good to get out and about again when the weather improves.* ❖ in giro
  2. **medical condition** (n) /ˈmɛdɪkəl kənˈdɪʃən/

a problem with your health ● *Stephen Hawking suffered from a serious medical condition.*

* + - problema medico
  1. **lock** (v) /lɒk/

to close with a key or password, etc.

* *I couldn’t send a text message because the phone card was locked.* ➣ lock (n), locker (n)
  + - chiudere a chiave
  1. **torch** (n) /tɔːʧ/

a small light powered by batteries ● *He turned on his torch in the dark cave so he could see the rock formations.* ❖ torcia

* 1. **back-up** (adj) /bæk ʌp/

extra; spare ● *Luckily, I had made a back-up copy of my work before my computer crashed.*

➣ back-up (n), back up (phr v) ❖ riserva

* 1. **battery pack** (n) /ˈbætri pæk/

a set of batteries ● *Remember to charge the battery packs for your camera before the trip.*

* + - pacco delle batterie
  1. **first aid** (n) /fɜːst eɪd/

first medical help given to sb who is hurt

* *Trainers in a gym have to know first aid so they can help anyone who gets hurt.*
  + - pronto soccorso
  1. **life-long** (adj) /laɪf-lɒŋ/

lasting as long as a person or animal lives

* *Bird-watching was a life-long hobby; he began as a little boy and continued until he was very old.* ❖ che dura tutta la vita
  1. **investment** (n) /ɪnˈvestmənt/

money, effort and support given to sth

* *House prices are low at the moment, so buying a flat could be a good investment.*

➣ invest (v), investor (n) ❖ investimento

* 1. **trip** (v) /trɪp/

to fall or almost fall over when your foot catches against sth ● *She tripped on a tree root and fell on the forest path.* ❖ inciampare

* 1. **break down** (phr v) /breɪk daʊn/

to stop working ● *Oh, no! My car’s broken down again!* ❖ rompersi

* 1. **in case of** (expr) /ɪn keɪs əv/

if (a particular thing) happens ● *In case of snow, make sure you have warm waterproof clothes and boots.* ❖ in caso di

* 1. **inform** (v) /ɪnˈfɔːm/

tell sb sth ● *Our teacher informed our parents of our exam marks.* ➣ information (n)

* + - informare
  1. **essential** (adj) /ɪˈsenʃl/

completely necessary ● *Some experience of hiking is essential for this walk.* ❖ essenziale