

UNIT 1

WORD	PRONUNCIATION	PART OF SPEECH	EXAMPLE SENTENCE
action	/ˈækʃ(ə)n/	noun	I prefer films with lots of action in them.
actor	/ˈæktə(r)/	noun	Ben was very excited to meet his favourite actor.
anonymously	/əˈnɒnɪməsli/	adverb	I was sent some flowers anonymously – I didn't know who they were from.
as brave as a lion	/əz ˌbreɪv əz ə ˈlaɪən/	phrase	That girl is as brave as a lion. Nothing scares her.
as busy as a bee	/əz ˌbɪzi əz ə ˈbi:/	phrase	He's always as busy as a bee. He never stops.
as clear as crystal	/əz ˌklɪər əz ˈkrɪst(ə)l/	phrase	Yes, I understand. It's as clear as crystal.
as clear as mud	/əz ˌklɪər əz ˈmʌd/	phrase	Her explanation was as clear as mud. I didn't understand a thing.
as cold as ice	/əz ˌkəʊld əz ˈaɪs/	phrase	He's as cold as ice. He isn't very friendly.
as cool as a cucumber	/əz ˌku:l əz ə ˈkju:ˌkʌmbə(r)/	phrase	She's as cool as a cucumber. She never gets stressed.
as easy as ABC	/əz ˌi:zi əz eɪbiˈsi:/	phrase	Learning to read is as easy as ABC.
as free as a bird	/əz ˌfri: əz ə ˈbɜ:(r)d/	phrase	Walking in the hills makes me feel as free as a bird.
as fresh as a daisy	/əz ˌfreʃ əz ə ˈdeɪzi/	phrase	You smell as fresh as a daisy.
as good as gold	/əz ˌɡʊd əz ˈɡəʊld/	phrase	The children were as good as gold and played nicely together.
as plain as day	/əz ˌpleɪn əz ˈdeɪ/	phrase	It was as plain as day that he was lying. It was so obvious.

as quick as a flash	/əz ˌkwɪk əz ə ˈflaʃ/	phrase	You cleaned that mess as quick as a flash.
as quiet as a mouse	/əz ˌkwaɪət əz ə ˈmaʊs/	phrase	They crept out of the room as quiet as mice.
as safe as houses	/əz ˌseɪf əz ˈhaʊsɪz/	phrase	Don't worry, this mountain guide is very experienced – we'll be as safe as houses.
as solid as a rock	/əz ˌsɒlɪd əz ə ˈrɒk/	phrase	Throughout the crisis she stayed as solid as a rock.
as white as a sheet	/əz ˌwaɪt əz ə ˈʃi:t/	phrase	She went as white as a sheet when she heard the news.
attribute	/əˈtrɪbjʊ:t/	verb	People are attributing qualities to me that I just don't have.
bacteria	/bækˈtɪəriə/	noun plural	Bacteria can cause disease.
be all ears	/bi ˌɔ:l ˈiə(r)z/	phrase	I'm all ears. What do you want to ask me?
be at each other's throats	/bi ˌæt i:tʃ ˈðə(r)z ˈθrəʊts/	phrase	My brothers are at each other's throats again. They're always arguing.
be like a dream come true	/bi laɪk ə ˈdri:m kʌm ˌtru:/	phrase	Getting a job as a vet would be like a dream come true for me.
bill	/bɪl/	noun	We didn't want any desserts, so we just asked for the bill.
boomerang effect	/ˈbu:məræŋ ɪ ˌfekt/	phrase	My efforts to persuade Jemma to buy a cheaper phone seemed to have a boomerang effect and she bought the most expensive one.
coincidence	/kəʊˌɪnsɪˈd(e)ns/	noun	It was a coincidence that she appeared exactly when I said her name.
conclusion	/kənˈklu:ʒ(ə)n/	noun	Her conclusion was that the situation would never improve.
constructively	/kənˈstrʌktɪvli/	adverb	To help people improve, give feedback constructively.
decision	/dɪˈsɪʒ(ə)n/	noun	I hope I've made the right decision.
difference	/ˈdɪfrəns/	noun	What's the difference between these two computers?

do something behind someone's back	/ˌduː sʌmθɪŋ bɪˈhaɪnd sʌmwʌnz 'bʌk/	phrase	The kids were always making fun of him behind his back.
downside	/ˈdaʊnˌsaɪd/	noun	One of the downsides to travelling by plane is all the airport security.
estimate	/ˈestɪmeɪt/	verb	We estimated that it would take about an hour to travel there.
evaluate	/ɪˌvæljuː'eɪt/	verb	It took a long time to evaluate the data and get a full understanding.
face to face	/ˌfeɪs tə 'feɪs/	adverb	They met face to face today for the first time.
failure	/ˈfeɪljə(r)/	noun	Their first attempt to climb Everest ended in failure.
findings	/ˈfaɪndɪŋz/	plural noun	The government seems to have ignored the findings of its own report.
gasp	/gɑːsp/	verb	He gasped as the freezing water hit his body.
gesture	/ˈdʒestʃə(r)/	noun	Jack made a gesture for her to sit down.
get on someone's nerves	/ˌget ɒn sʌmwʌnz 'nɜː(r)vz/	phrase	My little brother really gets on my nerves. He's so annoying.
get something off your chest	/ˌget sʌmθɪŋ ˌɒf jə(r) 'tʃest/	phrase	She came to see me because she wanted to get something off her chest.
give someone the cold shoulder	/ˌɡɪv sʌmwʌn ðə ˌkəʊld 'ʃəʊldə(r)/	phrase	He's been giving me the cold shoulder all week. He hasn't said a word to me.
groan	/grəʊn/	verb	My brother groaned when my dad asked him to do the washing up.
have someone under your thumb	/hæv sʌmwʌn ˌʌndə(r) jə(r) 'θʌm/	phrase	She has him under her thumb and he'll do anything for her.
honesty	/ˈɒnɪsti/	noun	His honesty was never in question. You can be sure to trust him.
hysterically	/hɪ'sterɪkli/	adverb	They shouted hysterically but still nobody heard them.
importance	/ɪmˈpɔː(r)t(ə)ns/	noun	The school recognizes the importance of good communication skills.

inflammation	/ˌɪnfləˈmeɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	Cream should help to reduce the inflammation on your skin.
intrigued	/ɪnˈtriːɡd/	adjective	I'm so intrigued by that house – it's so strange!
kindness	/ˈkaɪn(d)nəs/	noun	I will never forget the kindness of the staff at the hospital.
lend someone a hand	/ˌlend sʌmwʌn ə ˈhænd/	phrase	Can you lend me a hand with these boxes, please?
movement	/ˈmuːvmənt/	noun	He hasn't got much movement in his arm because of his injury.
mutter	/ˈmʌtə(r)/	verb	He muttered an apology and then left.
owner	/ˈəʊnə(r)/	noun	Please can the owner of this car move it immediately?
participant	/pɑː(r)ˈtɪsɪpənt/	noun	The participants in the study ranged in age from 16 to 25.
participation	/pɑː(r)ˈtɪsɪˈpeɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	We would like to see more participation by younger people.
partnership	/ˈpɑː(r)tnə(r)ʃɪp/	noun	They have a great partnership and work well together.
perception	/pə(r)ˈsepʃ(ə)n/	noun	The public's perception of him is slowly changing.
personality trait	/ˌpɜː(r)səˈnæləti treɪt/	noun	Her best personality trait is her kindness.
pick someone's brains	/ˌpɪk sʌmwʌnz ˈbreɪnz/	phrase	Can I pick your brains about my plans for my party?
possibility	/ˌpɒsəˈbɪləti/	noun	There is a strong possibility that they will win the next election.
prediction	/prɪˈdɪkʃ(ə)n/	noun	My prediction is that we will lose the tournament.
probability	/ˌprɒbəˈbɪləti/	noun	We have to be prepared for the probability of a rise in food prices.
psychologist	/saɪˈkɒlədʒɪst/	noun	A psychologist studies how people's minds work and how this affects their behaviour.
pull someone's leg	/ˌpʊl sʌmwʌnz ˈleg/	phrase	It was a joke – I was just pulling your leg.

punishment	/ˈpʌnɪʃmənt/	noun	He had to clean up the mess as punishment.
put your foot down	/pʊt jə(r) ˈfʊt ˌdaʊn/	phrase	Things can't carry on like this – you'll have to put your foot down.
random	/ˈrændəm/	adjective	Her choice was random – There was no method or reason.
realist	/ˈriəlɪst/	noun	I'm enough of a realist to know that we can't win every time.
reality	/riˈæləti/	noun	He can no longer tell the difference between fantasy and reality.
reassess	/ˌriːəˈses/	verb	We decided to reassess our theory.
reception	/rɪˈsepʃ(ə)n/	noun	Visitors must report to reception first.
researcher	/rɪˈsɜː(r)tʃə(r)/	noun	He's got a job as a researcher at a television company.
run like the wind	/ˌrʌn laɪk ðə ˈwɪnd/	phrase	You'd better run like the wind or you'll miss the bus!
shriek	/ʃriːk/	verb	He shrieked in fright when he saw a huge spider in the corner of the room.
sigh	/saɪ/	verb	Jan sighed heavily and shook her head.
simile	/ˈsɪməli/	noun	A simile is a phrase that describes something by comparing it to something else, for example 'He's as brave as a lion.'
speaker	/ˈspiːkə(r)/	noun	The speaker was interrupted several times.
spread	/spred/	verb	Someone has been spreading horrible gossip about Stella.
stick your neck out for someone	/ˌstɪk jə(r) ˈnek ˌaʊt fə(r) sʌmwʌn/	phrase	She's a great friend and will always stick her neck out for you.
subconsciously	/ˌsʌbˈkɒnʃəsli/	adverb	Maybe subconsciously I really wanted him to fail.
take the initiative	/ˌteɪk ðə ɪˈnɪʃətɪv/	phrase	You need to take the initiative and find a solution yourself.
take to new heights	/ˌteɪk to ˌnjuː ˈhaɪts/	phrase	Learn more and improve faster - take your passion to new heights!

transparent	/træns'pærənt/	adjective	Put your belongings in a transparent bag so security can easily see what you're carrying.
trick	/trɪk/	noun	I'm not sure if it is real, or a trick to make me think it's an emergency.
whine	/waɪn/	verb	Stop whining. You can't have another ice cream.
whisper	/'wɪspə(r)/	verb	They were whispering because they didn't want to wake the baby.
yell	/jel/	verb	'Watch out!' Victor yelled.

UNIT 2

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accompany	/ə'kʌmp(ə)ni/	verb	He accompanied the singer on the piano.
beyond repair	/bɪˌjɒnd rɪ'peə(r)/	phrase	It's impossible to fix my printer. It's beyond repair.
biofuel	/'baɪəʊˌfjuːəl/	noun	This biofuel is made from animal waste.
bother	/'bɒðə(r)/	verb	Has anyone ever bothered to ask the students for their opinion?
campaign	/kæm'peɪn/	verb	She has been campaigning for stronger anti-pollution laws.
campaigner	/ˌkæm'peɪnə(r)/	noun	Campaigners against the new road have posted leaflets to all the houses in the area.
carbon emissions	/ˌkɑː(r)bən ɪ'mɪʃnz/	noun	Reducing the number of cars on the road will help lower carbon emissions.
chauffeur	/'ʃəʊfə(r)/	verb	My parents are always having to chauffeur my brother and I around as there are no buses where we live.
competent	/'kɒmpɪtənt/	adjective	He is very competent at communicating and speaks clearly.

considerate	/kən'sɪd(ə)rət/	adjective	Please be considerate to the students taking exams and walk past the hall quietly.
contrast	/kən'trɑːst/	verb	Her dark hair contrasted sharply with her pale silk gown.
distracted	/dɪ'stræktəd/	adjective	I was distracted by my mobile phone ringing.
do a course	/ˌduː ə 'kɔː(r)s/	phrase	You could do a language course abroad.
do a test	/ˌduː ə 'test/	phrase	He's done lots of tests at school this week.
do an experiment	/ˌduː ən /ɪk'sperɪmənt/	phrase	We did an experiment in our chemistry lesson today.
do business	/ˌduː 'bɪznəs/	phrase	They do a lot of business with companies in China.
do harm	/ˌduː 'hɑː(r)m/	phrase	It won't do any harm to try.
do household chores	/ˌduː haʊshəʊld 'tʃɔː(r)z/	phrase	I have to do household chores like feeding the dog and putting the rubbish out.
do research	/ˌduː rɪ'sɜː(r)tʃ/, /ˌduː 'riːsɜː(r)tʃ/	phrase	Make sure you do some research before writing your essay.
do the ironing	/ˌduː ðə 'aɪə(r)nɪŋ/	phrase	I hate doing the ironing. The shirts take ages to do.
do your best	/ˌduː jɔː(r) 'best/	phrase	I'm not sure if I can win this race, but I'll do my best.
driving licence	/ˈdraɪvɪŋ laɪs(ə)ns/	noun	I need to apply for a new driving licence.
enforce	/ɪn'fɔː(r)s/	verb	The rules are enforced by using fines.
exhaust	/ɪg'zɔːst/	noun	The car needs a new exhaust.
fatality	/fə'tæləti/	noun	This disease has a 30% fatality rate. Three out of ten people will die.
fumes	/fjuːmz/	noun plural	Traffic fumes raised pollution to record levels yesterday.
go down	/ˌgəʊ 'daʊn /	phrasal verb	The increase in price has not gone down well with customers.

hands-free	/ˈhændz fri:/	adjective	If you need to answer calls when you're driving, make sure your phone is hands-free.
imminent	/ˈɪmɪnənt/	adjective	This species of butterfly is in imminent danger of becoming endangered unless we do something fast.
implement	/ˈɪmplɪˌment/	verb	Attempts to implement change have met with strong opposition.
impulsive	/ɪmˈpʌlsɪv/	adjective	He's very impulsive and is always doing things without thinking.
irrelevant	/ɪˈreləvənt/	adjective	It's irrelevant how old you are – it doesn't matter.
lessen	/ˈles(ə)n/	verb	You can lessen your impact on the environment by eating less meat.
lower	/ˈləʊə(r)/	verb	The voting age was lowered from 21 to 18 years.
make a call	/ˌmeɪk ə ˈkɔ:l/	phrase	Can you wait while I make a call?
make a change	/ˌmeɪk ə ˈtʃeɪndʒ/	phrase	If you could make one change in your life, what would it be?
make a choice	/ˌmeɪk ə ˈtʃɔɪs/	phrase	He wants people to make their own choices.
make a comment	/ˌmeɪk ə ˈkɒment/	phrase	Did she make any comment about Eddie?
make a complaint	/ˌmeɪk ə kəmˈpleɪnt/	phrase	Please contact our customer department if you want to make a complaint.
make a decision	/ˌmeɪk ə dɪˈsɪʒ(ə)n/	phrase	I hope I've made the right decision.
make a difference	/ˌmeɪk ə ˈdɪfrəns/	phrase	I think young people like Greta Thunberg really make a difference to the world.
make a mistake	/ˌmeɪk ə mɪˈsteɪk/	phrase	I'm sorry. I made a mistake.
make a suggestion	/ˌmeɪk ə səˈdʒestʃ(ə)n/	phrase	Can I make a suggestion? Why don't you call him?

make an apology	/ˌmeɪk ən əˈpɒlədʒi/	phrase	He made an apology on TV for his behaviour.
make an attempt	/ˌmeɪk ən əˈtempt/	phrase	Helen made no attempt to stop him.
make an improvement	/ˌmeɪk ən ɪmˈpruːvmənt/	phrase	They've made many improvements to the house.
make use of something	/ˌmeɪk 'juːs əv ˌsʌmθɪŋ/	phrase	Why didn't she make use of the extra time and check her answers again?
matter	/ˈmætə(r)/	noun	Teachers feel this is a matter for discussion with parents.
motorway	/ˈmɒtə(r)ˌweɪ/	noun	The motorway is closed because of an accident.
off-road	/ˈɒf rəʊd/	adjective/adverb	My dad's jeep is good at driving off-road.
orphanage	/ˈɔː(r)f(ə)nɪdʒ/	noun	There used to be an orphanage in our town which cared for hundreds of children.
phenomenon	/fəˈnɒmɪnən/	noun	Recycling is not a new phenomenon – people have been doing it for many years.
pile-up	/ˈpaɪl ˌʌp/	noun	There was a big pile-up last night involving several cars and lorries.
portrayal	/pɔː(r)ˈtreɪəl/	noun	I don't think that the portrayal of his character in the film is very accurate.
promote	/prəˈməʊt/	verb	The Government is committed to promoting the development and use of public transport.
provisional	/prəˈvɪʒ(ə)nəl/	adjective	The dates are provisional and are likely to change.
puzzle	/ˈpʌz(ə)l/	verb	His behaviour that day puzzled me for a long time. I didn't understand why he had acted like that.
rally	/ˈræli/	noun	The rally driver won the race easily.

rash	/ræʃ/	adjective	She began to regret her rash decision to leave her job. She should have thought about it more carefully.
reclaim	/rɪˈkleɪm/	verb	Car-free days in cities are a good way for residents to reclaim the streets.
requirement	/rɪˈkwaɪə(r)mənt/	noun	You need to meet the requirements for entry into the university.
restriction	/rɪˈstrɪkʃ(ə)n/	noun	There are parking restrictions in this area, so I'd recommend getting the bus.
road rage	/ˈrəʊd ˌreɪdʒ/	noun	He was hurt in a road rage incident.
road safety	/ˈrəʊd ˌseɪfti/	noun	Road safety has improved a lot in recent years.
road sign	/ˈrəʊd ˌsaɪn/	noun	Did you see that last road sign?
roundabout	/ˈraʊndə ˌbaʊt/	noun	Take the first exit at the next roundabout.
service station	/ˈsɜː(r)vɪs ˌsteɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	I was tired after driving for so long, so I stopped for a coffee at a service station.
show off	/ˌʃəʊ ˈɒf/	phrasal verb	The children start showing off the minute anyone comes into the house.
simulator	/ˈsɪmjʊ ˌleɪtə(r)/	noun	Pilots learn to fly using a flight simulator.
speed camera	/ˈspiːd ˌkæm(ə)rə/	noun	The speed camera took a photo of the car because it was driving too fast.
speed limit	/ˈspiːd ˌlɪmɪt/	noun	The speed limit on this road is 50 kph.
statistics	/stəˈtɪstɪks/	plural noun	Statistics show that people are having fewer road accidents.
steering wheel	/ˈstiəriŋ ˌwiːl/	noun	Keep both hands on the steering wheel.
supervision	/ˌsuːpə(r)ˈvɪʒ(ə)n/	noun	The children are very young, so they need a lot of supervision.
take a call	/ˌteɪk ə ˈkɔːl/	phrase	Excuse me one moment. I need to take this call.

take a course	/ˌteɪk ə ˈkɔː(r)s/	phrase	She's taking a time-management course this week.
take a decision	/ˌteɪk ə dɪˈsɪʒ(ə)n/	phrase	Sometimes managers need to take decisions quickly.
take a risk	/ˌteɪk ə ˈrɪsk/	phrase	A good pilot never takes a risk.
take a test	/ˌteɪk ə ˈtest/	phrase	She's taking her driving test today.
take an interest	/ˌteɪk ən ˈɪntrəst/	phrase	He's never taken much interest in sport.
take control	/ˌteɪk kənˈtrəʊl/	phrase	You need to take control of the situation.
take cover	/ˌteɪk ˈkʌvə(r)/	phrase	We ran under the tree to take cover from the rain.
take effect	/ˌteɪk ɪˈfekt/	phrase	It will take a few hours until the medicine takes effect.
take offence	/ˌteɪk əˈfens/	phrase	I'm afraid she took offence at what you said. You should apologise.
take part	/ˌteɪk ˈpɑː(r)t/	phrase	Lots of students took part in the competition.
take place	/ˌteɪk ˈpleɪs/	phrase	The Olympics take place every four years.
take power	/ˌteɪk ˈpaʊə(r)/	phrase	The new president will take power in January.
tendency	/ˈtendənsi/	noun	She has a tendency to overcomplicate things.
toughen up	/ˌtʌf(ə)n ˈʌp/	verb	Universities are toughening up their entrance requirements. It's going to be harder to get in.
traffic jam	/ˈtráfɪk ˌdʒam/	noun	We were late because there was a terrible traffic jam.
traffic light	/ˈtráfɪk ˌlaɪt/	noun	Stop at the traffic lights when they are red.
transformation	/ˌtrænsfə(r)ˈmeɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	After three weeks we noticed a total transformation in his behaviour. He was a completely different person.
turnover	/ˈtɜː(r)n ˌəʊvə(r)/	noun	There is a high purchase turnover of goods these days as people replace things more frequently.
volunteer	/ˌvɒlənˈtɪə(r)/	verb	I volunteered to help the teacher tidy the classroom.

UNIT 3

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a pile of	/ə 'paɪl əv/	phrase	There's a pile of books on my desk – please take one.
absorb	/əb'zɔ:(r)b/	verb	We had to absorb a lot of new information very quickly.
acquaintance	/ə'kweɪntəns/	noun	She's not a close friend – she's more of an acquaintance.
adaptation	/,ædæp'teɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	The television adaptation of the book was very successful.
antisocial	/,ænti'səʊʃ(ə)l/	adjective	He's not interested in meeting other people – he's quite antisocial.
applied	/ə'plaɪd/	adjective	She's studying applied mathematics at university.
appreciation	/ə,pri:ʃi'eɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	We share an appreciation of music.
articulate	/ɑ:(r)'tɪkjʊlət/	adjective	She is a highly articulate woman and always speaks well.
assimilate	/ə'sɪmɪleɪt/	verb	You can only assimilate a certain number of new words a day.
authorise	/'ɔ:θəraɪz/	verb	The headteacher authorised me to leave school early.
baffle	/'bæf(ə)l/	verb	This homework really baffles me – I don't understand it at all.
bewildered	/bɪ'wɪldə(r)d/	adjective	Some of the children in the large crowd looked bewildered and frightened.
biopic	/'baɪəʊ,pɪk/	noun	Do you want to go and see the Aretha Franklin biopic at the cinema?
broaden (your) horizons	/,brɔ:d(ə)n jə(r)hə'raɪz(ə)ns/	phrase	College will broaden your horizons and help you see a wider range of opportunities.
call off	/,kɔ:l 'ɒf/	phrasal verb	If we have much more rain, the game might be called off.
carry on	/,kæri 'ɒn/	phrasal verb	For the moment we've been told to carry on as usual.

casino	/kə'si:nəʊ/	noun	He lost all his money at the casino.
cast	/kɑ:st/	noun	An all-star cast includes Michael Douglas as the US President.
catch up with	/ˌkætʃ 'ʌp wɪð/	phrasal verb	I'm looking forward to catching up with you and hearing all your news.
child prodigy	/ˌtʃaɪld 'prɒdədʒi/	noun	She is a child prodigy. At the age of two she could already read.
chunk	/tʃʌŋk/	noun	Make sure you cut your food up into smaller chunks.
come easily to someone	/ˌkʌm 'i:zɪli tə sʌmwʌn/	phrase	He's got a good memory. Learning facts comes easily to him.
come up with	/ˌkʌm 'ʌp wɪð/	phrasal verb	Is that the best idea you could come up with?
contribution	/ˌkɒntrɪ'bju:ʃ(ə)n/	noun	Alan Turing made a very important contribution to ending the war.
convincing	/kən'vɪnsɪŋ/	adjective	She was very convincing in the title role.
co-star	/ˈkəʊ stɑ:(r)/	noun and verb	The actor has co-starred in several films with his wife.
council	/ˈkaʊns(ə)l/	noun	The council is responsible for the library service.
crack	/kræk/	verb	The code seemed impossible to crack.
curved	/kɜ:(r)vd/	adjective	That line isn't straight – it's curved.
dedicated	/ˈdedɪˌkeɪtɪd/	adjective	He was very hard-working and dedicated to his research.
deliver a performance	/dɪˌlɪvə(r) ə pə(r)'fɔ:(r)məns/	phrase	The actor delivered the best performance of her career.
drive	/draɪv/	noun	As a student she was full of drive and ambition.
drop out	/ˌdrɒp 'aʊt/	phrasal verb	Too many students drop out of college after only one year.
encode	/ɪn'kəʊd/	verb	The messages were encoded so the enemy couldn't read them.
engage with	/ɪn'geɪdʒ ,wɪð/	phrasal verb	She didn't manage to engage with her audience, and they stopped listening.

enrich	/ɪnˈrɪtʃ/	verb	Doing volunteer work has enriched my life.
equation	/ɪˈkweɪʒ(ə)n/	noun	Solve the equation: $5x - 3 = 27$.
exceptionally	/ɪkˈsepʃ(ə)nəli/	adverb	The weather's been exceptionally mild for the time of year.
eye contact	/ˈaɪ ˌkɒntækt/	noun	He was very shy and found it difficult to make eye contact.
faze	/feɪz/	verb	The audience was much larger than she had been expecting but it didn't faze her.
fazed	/feɪzd/	adjective	He was the youngest student there but he wasn't fazed.
fit in	/ˌfɪt ˈɪn/	phrasal verb	I tried to fit in, but they were all much older than I was.
flawed	/flɔːd/	adjective	The current system is seriously flawed. They need a new one.
force	/fɔː(r)s/	verb	You can't force someone to do something they don't want to do.
for fear of (doing something)	/fə(r) ˈfiə(r) ɒv/	phrase	I didn't tell Susan about our meeting for fear of upsetting her.
genius	/ˈdʒiːniəs/	noun	Bach's <i>Magnificat</i> is clearly the work of a genius.
get (your) words straight	/get jə(r) ˈwɜː(r)dz ˌstreɪt/	phrase	She found it difficult to get her words straight and didn't make much sense.
get on with	/ˌget ˈɒn wɪð/	phrasal verb	We haven't got much time so let's get on with preparing our presentation.
gifted	/ˈɡɪftɪd/	adjective	He's a very gifted musician and can play several instruments.
grasp	/ɡrɑːsp/	verb	He was finding it difficult to grasp the rules of the game.
grip	/ɡrɪp/	verb	I was totally gripped by the film.
have a gift / talent for	/ˌhæv ə ˈɡɪft/ ˈtælənt fə(r)/	phrase	Samira has a gift for languages. She's very good at French and German.

highlighter	/ˈhaɪlaɪtə(r)/	noun	Use a highlighter to mark the important words in a text.
hit on	/ˈhɪt ɒn/	phrasal verb	It took a long time, but we finally hit on a solution to the problem.
hyperactive	/ˌhaɪpərˈæktɪv/	adjective	His parents thought he was hyperactive because he couldn't concentrate very well.
impenetrable	/ɪmˈpenɪtrəb(ə)l/	adjective	She's impenetrable. It's impossible to know what she's thinking.
inaccurate	/ɪnˈækjʊrət/	adjective	He's quite careless so his work often contains a lot of mistakes.
incredible	/ɪnˈkredəb(ə)l/	adjective	You must have some incredible stories to tell about your travels around the world.
intense	/ɪnˈtens/	adjective	It's a short course but it is very intense with a lot of work to complete.
justification	/ˌdʒʌstɪfɪˈkeɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	What is your justification for the conclusion in your essay?
keep up with	/ˌki:p ˈʌp wɪð/	phrasal verb	I found the subject difficult and I couldn't keep up with the other students in the class.
leap out at	/ˌli:p ˈaʊt æt/	phrasal verb	He looked through the list of names, but none leapt out at him.
live up to expectations	/lɪv ˈʌp tə ɛkspekˈteɪʃ(ə)ns/	phrase	The film certainly lived up to expectations. I thought it was brilliant.
look for	/ˈlʊk fɔ:(r)/	phrasal verb	He was looking for work as a builder.
look into	/ˌlʊk ˈɪntu:/	phrasal verb	I wrote a letter of complaint, and the airline have promised to look into the matter.
look up to	/ˌlʊk ˈʌp tu:/	phrasal verb	He's a role model for other players to look up to.
make up	/ˌmeɪk ˈʌp/	phrasal verb	This book is made up of twelve separate short stories.
manipulated	/məˈnɪpjʊleɪtɪd/	adjective	He felt very manipulated and not in control.
masterpiece	/ˈmɑ:stə(r)ˌpi:s/	noun	<i>Vertigo</i> is the film widely regarded as Hitchcock's masterpiece.

memorise	/ˈmeməraɪz/	verb	In school we had to memorise Rudyard Kipling's poem If.
(your) mind wanders	/ˌmaɪnd ˈwɒndə(r)s/	phrase	As soon as I try to work my mind wanders.
mindful	/ˈmaɪn(d)f(ə)l/	adjective	Mindful colouring can help people feel less stressed.
mindfulness	/ˈmaɪn(d)fəlɪnəs/	noun	Mindfulness involves focussing on the present moment.
misinterpret	/ˌmɪsɪnˈtɜː(r)prɪt/	verb	He insisted his views had been misinterpreted by his critics.
misunderstood	/ˌmɪsʌndə(r)ˈstʊd/	adjective	This is one of the great works by the misunderstood genius.
mnemonic device	/nɪˌmɒnɪk dɪˈvaɪs/	noun	Mnemonic devices are techniques that help you remember information.
nerd	/nɜː(r)d/	noun	I'm a bit of a maths nerd – I love numbers.
organ	/ˈɔː(r)ɡən/	noun	My uncle played the organ at my sister's wedding.
overcritical	/ˌəʊvə(r)ˈkrɪtɪk(ə)l/	adjective	I don't think the film was that bad – I think you're being overcritical.
overhear	/ˌəʊvə(r)ˈhɪə(r)/	verb	I overheard him saying he was thinking of leaving his job.
over the moon	/ˌəʊvə(r) ðə ˈmuːn/	phrase	I was over the moon about passing my exams.
pass away	/ˌpɑːs əˈweɪ/	phrasal verb	My grandfather passed away when I was two so I never really knew him.
peer	/pɪə(r)/	noun	She is popular with her peers at school.
persuasive	/pə(r)ˈsweɪsɪv/	adjective	He can be very persuasive and it's difficult to say 'no' to him.
pick up	/ˌpɪk ˈʌp/	phrasal verb	She picked up a few German phrases while staying in Berlin.
piece together	/ˌpiːs təˈgeðə(r)/	phrasal verb	Detectives are still piecing together the circumstances surrounding the incident.
post-production	/ˌpəʊst-prəˈdʌkʃ(ə)n/	noun	The film's sound effects were added post-production.
promise	/ˈprɒmɪs/	noun	He shows great promise as a gymnast.

pursue	/pə(r)'sjuː/	verb	She wants to pursue a career in medicine.
recall	/rɪ'kɔːl/	verb	Twenty years later he could still clearly recall the event.
recognise	/'rekəɡnaɪz/	verb	I hardly recognized you with a beard!
reflect on	/rɪ'flekt ɒn /	phrasal verb	Jemma reflected on how she could have improved her essay.
rehearse	/rɪ'hɜː(r)s/	verb	We've been rehearsing the play for weeks.
reunite	/,riːjuː'naɪt/	verb	The band has reunited for one last concert.
secure	/sɪ'kjʊə(r)/	adjective	The computer system is secure from hackers.
self-aware	/,self ə'weə(r)/	adjective	It's important to be self-aware so you know how to improve.
self-critical	/,self 'krɪtɪk(ə)l/	adjective	She's very self-critical and only talks about her mistakes.
sequel	/'siːkwəl/	noun	The sequel wasn't as good as the original film.
semi-biographical	/,semi baɪə'græfɪk(ə)l/	adjective	The film is semi-biographical and partly based on his life.
spot	/spɒt/	verb	An effective teacher can spot a child's potential.
stand out	/,stænd 'aʊt/	phrasal verb	She's a very talented tennis player and has always stood out.
strength	/streŋθ/	noun	Ron's main strength is his ability to motivate players
sub-plot	/'sʌb ,plɒt/	noun	The film had a very funny sub-plot involving the main character's parents.
superhero	/'suːpə(r), hɪərəʊ/	Noun	Spiderman was my favourite superhero when I was a child.
supporting actor	/sə,pɔː(r)tɪŋ 'æktə(r)/	noun	He won an Academy Award for best supporting actor.
supportive	/sə'pɔː(r)tɪv/	adjective	My parents have always been very supportive of everything I do.
talk through	/,tɔːk 'θruː/	phrasal verb	He talked me through the whole process.

theory	/ˈθiəri/	noun	The theory predicts low speeds and therefore safety.
turn (your) mind to something	/ˌtɜː(r)n jə(r) ˈmaɪnd tə sʌmθɪŋ/	phrase	You can do anything if you turn your mind to it.
twists and turns (of a plot)	/ˌtwɪsts ən ˈtɜː(r)nz/	phrase	This tragic story is full of twists and turns.
ultimate	/ˈʌltɪmət/	adjective	Independence remains their ultimate goal.
underestimate	/ˌʌndərˈestɪˌmeɪt/	verb	The importance of a good diet should not be underestimated.
underrated	/ˌʌndəˈreɪtɪd/	adjective	He's seriously underrated as an actor.
unethical	/ʌnˈeθɪk(ə)l/	adjective	I think it's unethical to keep animals in zoos.
unfold	/ʌnˈfəʊld/	verb	We stood and watched the drama unfold.
unpredictable	/ˌʌnpɪrɪˈdɪktəb(ə)l/	adjective	The weather here is really unpredictable. You never know if it's going to be hot or cold.
unrealistic	/ˌʌnrɪəˈlɪstɪk/	adjective	The dialogue in the film was very unrealistic. Real people don't talk like that!
visualise	/ˈvɪʒʊəlaɪz/	verb	Try to visualise how the house will look when it's finished.
weakness	/ˈwiːknəs/	noun	There are a number of weaknesses in this approach.
work out	/ˌwɜː(r)k ˈaʊt/	phrasal verb	I was born in 1947: you work out my age.
write down	/ˌraɪt ˈdaʊn/	phrasal verb	As soon as I have an idea, I write it down.

UNIT 4

WORD	PRONUNCIATION	PART OF SPEECH	EXAMPLE SENTENCE
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a wealth of	/ə 'welθ ɒv/	phrase	He brings with him a wealth of specialist knowledge.
advance(s)	/əd'vɑ:ns/	noun	In spite of all its advances, medical science still knows little about the brain.
algorithm	/'ælgə,rɪð(ə)m/	noun	Many shopping websites use algorithms to target customers.
anatomy	/ə'nætəmi/	noun	Anatomy is the scientific study of the physical structure of an animal or plant.
application	/,æplɪ'keɪf(ə)n/	noun	This technology has many practical applications.
archaeology	/,ɑ:(r)ki'ɒlədʒi/	noun	Archaeology is the study of ancient societies by looking at bones and buildings from that time.
architecture	/'ɑ:(r)ki'tektʃə(r)/	noun	I want to design buildings when I'm older so I'm going to study architecture at university.
astrophysics	/,æstrəʊ'fɪzɪks/	noun	Astrophysics is the scientific study of the stars, planets, and other objects in the universe.
augmented reality (AR)	/ɔ:g,mentɪd ri'æleti/ (/,eɪ 'ɑ:(r)/)	noun	Augmented reality allows you to see and experience what's in front of you with extra information added on.
be done	/,bi 'dʌn/	phrase	I was done after the first eight kilometres. I couldn't run any further.
biocompatible	/,baɪəʊkəm'pætəb(ə)l/	adjective	Any material that is put into a living thing must be biocompatible otherwise it will cause harm.
biomechanics	/,baɪəʊmɪ'kæniks/	noun	Biomechanics is the study of the structure of animals and plants.
biomedicine	/,baɪəʊ'meds(ə)n/	noun	Biomedicine is the study of biology and biochemistry applied to medicine.
biometric	/,baɪəʊ'metɪks/	adjective	These days most passports are biometric and hold all your data on a chip.
bionic	/baɪ'ɒnɪk/	adjective	She has a new bionic arm after she lost hers in a terrible accident.

break ground	/ˌbreɪk ˈgraʊnd/	phrase	Scientists are breaking ground all the time with new inventions and discoveries.
breakthrough	/ˈbreɪkθruː/	noun	Scientists predict a major breakthrough within six months.
bring about	/ˌbrɪŋ əˈbaʊt/	phrasal verb	Many social changes have been brought about by new technology.
capability	/ˌkeɪpəˈbɪləti/	noun	She could win the competition – she certainly has the capability.
chemistry	/ˈkemɪstri/	noun	Chemistry is the study of the structure of substances and the way they react with other substances.
(in) close proximity	/(ɪn) ˌkləʊz prɒkˈsɪməti/	phrase	The area is in close proximity to a huge shopping centre.
corrupt	/kəˈrʌpt/	verb	I feared that my taste might have been corrupted.
couple	/ˈkʌp(ə)l/	verb	Two computer processors can be coupled so they work together.
crackdown	/ˈkrækˌdaʊn/	noun	Police are launching a new crackdown on speeding motorists.
cutback	/ˈkʌtˌbæk/	noun	The company will be forced to make cutbacks in all departments.
cutting-edge	/ˌkʌtɪŋˈedʒ/	adjective	This technology is very cutting-edge – it's extremely modern and advanced.
cyborg	/ˈsaɪˌbɔː(r)g/	noun	I've just watched a terrifying sci-fi film, where an army of cyborgs took over the world.
disastrous	/dɪˈzɑːstrəs/	adjective	The consequences of spending cuts would be disastrous for local schools.
drawback	/ˈdrɔːˌbæk/	noun	The main drawback of the scheme is its expense.
due to	/ˈdjuː tuː/	adjective	He almost died due to lack of oxygen.
engineering	/ˌendʒɪˈnɪərɪŋ/	noun	She's studying engineering and learning how to design machines.
enhance	/ɪnˈhɑːns/	verb	These improvements should enhance the car's performance.

enzyme	/ˈenzaim/	noun	An enzyme is a natural chemical produced by animal and plant cells.
ethically	/ˈeθɪk(ə)li/	adverb	Some people think that trying to change nature is ethically wrong and that we shouldn't do it.
far-fetched	/ˌfɑː(r) ˈfetʃt/	adjective	I didn't believe her reason for being late – it seemed very far-fetched.
feat	/fi:t/	noun	It seemed like an impossible feat, but the athlete completed the marathon in record time.
feedback	/ˈfi:dbæk/	noun	I got some very positive feedback on my assignment.
foam	/fəʊm/	noun	Foam is a material that is often used for making furniture more comfortable.
forensic science	/fəˌrenzɪk ˈsaɪəns/	noun	Forensic science is the study of using science to solve crimes.
full-scale	/ˌfʊl ˈskeɪl/	adjective	The police have launched a full-scale investigation into the murder.
funding	/ˈfʌndɪŋ/	noun	The government is still failing to provide adequate funding for research.
gastronomy	/gæˈstrɒnəmi/	noun	Gastronomy is the activity of cooking and enjoying especially good food
gene	/dʒi:n/	noun	Hair colour is passed on through genes.
genetically-modified	/dʒəˌnetɪkli ˈmɒdɪfaɪd/	adjective	Genetically-modified food is produced by changing the genes to give the food particular qualities.
genetics	/dʒəˈnetɪks/	noun	Genetics is the study of how the individual features and behaviour of living things are passed on through their genes.
geology	/dʒiːˈɒlədʒi/	noun	Geology is the scientific study of the structure of the Earth, the way in which it was formed, and how it has changed over time.
give an edge	/ˌɡɪv ən ˈedʒ/	phrase	Training can give you an edge over your competitors.
give rise to	/ˌɡɪv ˈraɪz tə/tuː/	phrase	Delays could give rise to further problems.
go against	/ˌɡəʊ əˈɡenst/	phrasal verb	I'm sorry I can't agree to this. It goes against all my principles.

have an impact on	/ˌhæv ən ˈɪmpækt ɒn/	phrase	Internet shopping has begun to have a serious impact on traditional bookshops.
hearing aid	/ˈhiəriŋ eɪd/	noun	My mum can't hear very well so she wears hearing aids.
implant	/ɪmˈplɑːnt/	verb	Would you want a chip implanted into your body?
implication	/ˌɪmplɪˈkeɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	We believe that GM crops will have serious implications for the environment.
in demand	/ˌɪn dɪˈmɑːnd/	phrase	Our software is in demand all over the world.
informed	/ɪnˈfɔː(r)mɪd/	adjective	You need to do some research so you can make an informed decision.
in turn	/ˌɪn ˈtɜː(r)n/	phrase	Her mother taught her, and she in turn taught her own daughter.
innovation	/ˌɪnəʊˈveɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	You can see all the latest technological innovations at this exhibition.
knowledgeable	/ˈnɒlɪdʒəb(ə)l/	adjective	He's extremely knowledgeable about business and finance.
lead to	/ˈliːd tə/	phrasal verb	There is no doubt that stress can lead to physical illness.
legend	/ˈledʒ(ə)nd/	noun	Elizabeth Taylor starred in many films and was a Hollywood legend.
lifespan	/ˈlaɪfˌspæn/	noun	The natural lifespan of a cat is about 12-15 years.
lightweight	/ˈlaɪtˌweɪt/	adjective	Laptop computers are becoming more lightweight.
limb	/lɪm/	noun	She rested her tired, aching limbs.
line-up	/ˈlaɪn ʌp/	noun	Messi has been dropped from Saturday's line-up because of injury.
long-term	/ˌlɒŋ ˈtɜː(r)m/	adjective	Eating healthily has long-term benefits.
micro-organism	/ˌmaɪkrəʊ ˈɔː(r)ɡənɪz(ə)m/	noun	Micro-organisms are small living things that can only be seen with a microscope.
mutant	/ˈmjuːt(ə)nt/	adjective	A mutant enzyme is an enzyme that has had its genes changed.
neuroscience	/ˈnjʊərəʊˌsaɪəns/	noun	Neuroscience is the scientific study of the nervous system.

nutritional science	/njuː trɪʃən(ə)l 'saɪəns/	noun	Nutritional science is the study of food and nutrition and its effects on the human body.
organ	/'ɔː(r)gən/	noun	The heart and brain are examples of organs in the human body.
outcome	/'aʊt,kʌm/	noun	A second game will be played to determine the outcome.
outcry	/'aʊt,kraɪ/	noun	There was a public outcry against the government cuts.
outlook	/'aʊt,lʊk/	noun	The outlook for the economy is still uncertain.
outset	/'aʊt,set/	noun	You are going to love this book from the outset.
owing to	/'əʊɪŋ tə/tuː/	preposition	Flights from Stansted Airport were cancelled owing to bad weather.
pacemaker	/'peɪs,meɪkə(r)/	noun	A pacemaker is a small piece of electronic equipment that helps the heart muscles move regularly.
prompt (someone to do something)	/prɒmpt/	phrase	The newspaper article prompted the politician to resign.
protein	/'prəʊtiːn/	noun	Proteins are found in all living things.
psychology	/saɪ'kɒlədʒi/	noun	Psychology is the study of the mind and how it affects behaviour.
purity	/'pjʊərəti/	noun	Spring water has a lot of purity.
refuse	/'refjuːs/	noun	Our household refuse is collected every fortnight.
repercussion	/,ri:pə(r)'kʌʃ(ə)n/	noun	This will have serious long-term economic repercussions.
rival	/'raɪv(ə)l/	adjective	The rival team look bigger and stronger than us – I don't think we're going to win.
robotic	/rəʊ'bɒtɪk/	adjective	A robotic arm lifts the box up and turns it round.
scouting	/'skaʊtɪŋ/	adjective	A scouting team approached two of our players at the end of the match.

setback	/ˈset.bæk/	noun	Unfortunately, we've had a bit of a setback with our plans for the charity event and we can no longer use the school hall.
side effect	/ˈsaɪd ɪfekt/	noun	The treatment has no significant side effects.
sociology	/ˌsəʊʃiˈɒlədʒi/	noun	Sociology is the scientific study of the way that society is organized, and the way that people behave in relation to each other.
spark off	/ˌspɑː(r)k ˈɒf/	phrasal verb	The trial sparked off widespread rioting in London.
stem from	/ˈstem frɒm/	phrasal verb	His popularity stemmed from the fact that he was born in the area.
suppose/supposing that	/səˈpəʊz/səˈpəʊzɪŋ ðæt/	phrase	Suppose you won the competition, what would you do with the prize money?
sustainable	/səˈsteɪnəb(ə)l/	adjective	We work with our farmers to promote sustainable agriculture.
synthetic biology	/sɪnˌθetɪk baɪˈɒlədʒi/	noun	Synthetic biology is an area of research which involves redesigning organisms.
tenacity	/təˈnæsəti/	noun	Tenacity is an essential characteristic for successful people to have.
trait	/treɪt/	noun	He has a few annoying personality traits.
worldwide	/ˌwɜː(r)ldˈwaɪd/	adjective	Climate change is a worldwide problem.
worse-case scenario	/ˌwɜː(r)st-keɪs səˈnɑːrɪəʊ/	phrase	The worst-case scenario is that he will lose his job but hopefully that won't happen.
worthwhile	/ˌwɜː(r)θˈwaɪl/	adjective	We felt the meeting had been very worthwhile.

UNIT 5

WORD	PRONUNCIATION	PART OF SPEECH	EXAMPLE SENTENCE
a number of	/ə ˈnʌmbə(r) ɒv/	phrase	A number of students have part-time jobs.

acquit someone of charges	/əˌkwɪt sʌmʊwʌn ɒv 'tʃɑː(r)dʒɪz/	phrase	He was eventually acquitted of the charges.
additionally	/ə'dɪf(ə)nəli/	adverb	Members receive six newsletters a year. Additionally, they have the use of a helpline.
and yet	/,ənd 'jet/	conjunction	Crime levels are falling. And yet people still think crime is a big problem in our area.
anti-establishment	/,ænti-ɪ'stæblɪʃmənt/	adjective	She has very anti-establishment views and doesn't trust the government.
arise	/ə'reɪz/	verb	Some confusion has arisen as a result of the new system.
a touch of something	/ə'tʌtʃ ɒv sʌmθɪŋ/	phrase	Winter flowers add a welcome touch of colour to the garden.
ban someone from	/'bæn sʌmʊwʌn ˌfrɒm/	phrase	He's been banned from driving for six months.
basis	/'beɪsɪs/	noun	There is no scientific basis for these concerns.
body cam	/'bɒdi ˌkæm/	noun	The police officer had been wearing a body cam so the incident was recorded.
bogus	/'bəʊgəs/	adjective	Making bogus emergency calls can put other people's lives at risk.
by means of	/baɪ 'miːnz ɒv/	phrase	The only way of enforcing the law is by means of supervising communication between criminals.
cash strapped and resources tight	/ˌkæʃ 'stræpt ənd rɪ'zɔː(r)sɪz ˌtaɪt/	phrase	With cash strapped and resources tight, the council can't afford to pay for any road repairs this year.
charismatic	/ˌkærɪz'mætɪk/	adjective	If they are going to win the election, they need a more charismatic leader.
civilised	/ˈsɪvəˌlaɪzd/	adjective	Our town is a very civilised place to live – crime is low and there are lots of green spaces.

claim	/kleɪm/	noun	She didn't believe my claims.
clog	/klɒg/	verb	Too many misuse calls are clogging the phone lines of the emergency services.
collaborate with	/kə'ləbəreɪt wɪð/	verb	We have been collaborating closely with teachers in devising the lesson plans.
come into force	/ˌkʌm ɪntə 'fɔː(r)s/	phrase	The new law will come into force next year.
constitutional	/ˌkɒnstɪ'tjuːʃ(ə)nəl/	adjective	Whatever procedure the government follows, it must be constitutional.
court	/kɔː(r)t/	noun	The offender will appear in court next week.
CCTV	/ˌsiː siː tiː 'viː/	noun	CCTV stands for closed-circuit television.
designated/non-designated	/'deɪzɪɡˌneɪtɪd / 'nɒn-deɪzɪɡneɪtɪd/	adjective	Picnicking is only allowed in designated areas.
deter	/dɪ'tɜː(r)/	verb	The rain didn't deter people from coming to the game.
discrimination	/dɪˌskrɪmɪ'neɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	Discrimination on the grounds of sex or race is unlawful.
discriminatory	/dɪˌskrɪmɪnət(ə)ri/	adjective	This policy is discriminatory towards young people and doesn't treat them fairly.
disorderly conduct	/dɪsˌɔː(r)də(r)li kən'dʌkt/	noun	Disorderly conduct is the crime of being too noisy or violent in a public place.
disturbance	/dɪ'stɜː(r)bəns/	noun	We are concerned about disturbance to residents from the nightclub.
do community service	/duː kəˌmjuːnəti 'sɜː(r)vɪs/	phrase	The court ordered him to do 50 hours of community service.
editorial	/ˌedɪ'tɔːriəl/	noun	The newspaper editor gives her opinion on the week's events in her weekly editorial.
enforce	/ɪn'fɔː(r)s/	verb	The main role of the police is to uphold and enforce the law.

facial recognition	/ˌfeɪʃ(ə)l rekəgˈnɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	Facial recognition is a computer-aided technology that allows people to be identified by scanning their faces.
harass	/ˈhærəs/ or /həˈræs/	verb	Stop harassing me. I'll do it in a minute.
highly	/ˈhaɪli/	adverb	Our best player is injured so it's highly unlikely we will win today.
immaturity	/ˌɪməˈtjʊərəti/	noun	The young footballer's immaturity and lack of experience meant he wasn't picked for the team.
impose a curfew	/ɪmˌpəʊz ə ˈkɜː(r)fjuː/	phrase	The authorities imposed a nightly curfew from 9 pm to 6 am. No one was allowed out unless they had permission.
in a bid to	/ɪn ə ˈbɪd tə/	Phrase	CCTV cameras have been installed in a bid to stop antisocial behaviour in our area.
in addition to	/ɪn əˈdɪʃ(ə)n tə/	phrase	In addition to the twins, Jason and his wife have another child.
in aid of	/ɪn ˈeɪd ɒv/	Phrase	The sale was in aid of the local hospital.
in favour of	/ɪn ˈfeɪvə(r) ɒv/	Phrase	Are you in favour of the age limit being lowered?
in order to	/ɪn ˈɔː(r)də(r) tə/	Phrase	What do I have to do in order to convince them?
in response to	/ɪn rɪˈspɒns tə/	Phrase	In response to complaints, the company reviewed its safety procedures.
in the process of	/ɪn ðə ˈprəʊses ɒv/	Phrase	They were in the process of moving their head office from Paris to London.
in/out of touch with	/ɪn/aʊt əv ˈtʌtʃ wɪð/	phrase	I haven't taught for a while so I'm a little out of touch with new methods.
indeed	/ɪnˈdiːd/	adverb	It would be difficult. Indeed it would be almost impossible.
issue someone with a(n) (on-the-spot) fine	/ˌɪʃuː sʌm wʌn wɪð ə/ən (ɒn-ðə-ˌspɒt) ˈfaɪn/	phrase	She was issued with an on-the spot fine for dropping litter.

judge	/dʒʌdʒ/	verb	The offender will be judged in a court of law.
law-abiding	/ˈlɔː əbaɪdɪŋ/	adjective	The people of this town are law-abiding and responsible citizens.
littering	/ˈlɪtə(r)ɪŋ/	noun	Littering in public places is a real problem in our country.
make a formal apology	/meɪk ə ˈfɔː(r)m(ə)l əˈpɒlədʒi/	phrase	I think she should make a formal apology for her remarks.
make a prank/hoax call	/meɪk ə ˈpræŋk/ˈhəʊks ˌkɔːl/	phrase	The woman received a fine for making hoax calls to the emergency services.
matter	/ˈmætə(r)/	noun	The parcel arrived late and, to make matters worse, it wasn't what we had ordered.
merely	/ˈmɪə(r)li/	adverb	This job is merely a way to pay my bills.
mindlessly	/ˈmaɪndləsli/	adverb	Anyone who mindlessly vandalises public property should be punished in my opinion.
nuisance	/ˈnjuːs(ə)ns/	noun	I'm fed up with the amount of nuisance calls I get from marketing companies.
numerous	/ˈnjuːmərəs/	adjective	He had numerous other duties apart from teaching. He was a very busy man!
occasionally	/əˈkeɪz(ə)nəli/	adverb	We go to the theatre only very occasionally.
on account of	/ɒn əˈkaʊnt ɒv/	phrase	He can't work much on account of his poor health.
on behalf of	/ɒn bɪˈhɑːf ɒv/	phrase	The lawyer read a statement on behalf of the victim's family.
on the strength of	/ɒn ðə ˈstreŋθ ɒv/	phrase	I heard their new single, and on the strength of that I bought the album.
on the verge of (doing something)	/ˌɒn ðə ˈvɜː(r)dʒ əv/	phrase	He was on the verge of finishing the last question on the exam paper but then he ran out of time.

one-off /repeated shoplifting	/ˌwʌn ɒf/riːpiːtɪd ˈʃɒplɪftɪŋ/	phrase	He had to do community service for one-off shoplifting.
ordinance	/ˈɔː(r)dɪnəns/	noun (formal)	An ordinance is an official order by a government, king, queen, etc.
parking ticket	/ˈpɑːkɪŋ ˈtɪkɪt/	noun	She received a parking ticket for parking in a non-designated area.
pass	/pɑːs/	verb	This is one of the worst laws ever passed.
peer pressure	/ˈpiə preʃə(r)/	noun	Peer pressure can affect the way people behave or dress, especially teenagers.
penalty	/ˈpen(ə)lti/	noun	The crime carries a much heavier penalty in the US.
precede	/priːsiːd/	verb	The paragraph that precedes this one is unclear.
prosecute	/ˈprɒsiːkjʊːt/	verb	If the fine is not paid within ten days, we will be forced to prosecute.
prosecution	/ˌprɒsiːkjʊːʃ(ə)n/	noun	The police have made a number of prosecutions following the recent vandalism in the area.
receive a suspended sentence	/riːsiːv ə səˌspendɪd ˈsentəns/	phrase	He received a suspended sentence, so he won't go to prison unless he commits another crime.
register	/ˈredʒɪstə(r)/	noun	It's important to use words and phrases with a formal register, for example <i>Might I suggest ...</i> , when you're writing a formal letter.
sacrifice	/ˈsækrɪfaɪs/	noun	Making sacrifices is part of bringing up children.
self-determination	/ˌself-dɪːtɜːmɪˈneɪʃn/	noun	I believe that individuals should have the right to self-determination.
settle a fine	/ˌset(ə)l ə ˈfaɪn/	phrase	She has 30 days to settle her fine or it will be increased.
several	/ˈsev(ə)rəl/	determiner	He has been warned several times about speeding.
sleep disorder	/ˈsliːp dɪsˌɔː(r)də(r)/	noun	Gaming for long periods of time can cause sleeping disorders.
social worker	/ˈsəʊʃ(ə)l wɜːkə(r)/	Noun	He's got a job as a social worker. He helps families who are having problems.

supervise	/ˈsuːpə(r)vaɪz/	verb	He needs to be supervised by a social worker.
surveillance	/sə(r)ˈveɪləns/	noun	The police kept both men under surveillance for several months.
synonym	/ˈsɪnənɪm/	noun	‘Scared’ is a synonym for ‘afraid’.
the vast majority of	/ðə ˈvɑːst məˈdʒɔrəti v/	phrase	I believe the vast majority of people will support us.
undertake	/ˌʌndə(r)ˈteɪk/	verb	The court will undertake a serious examination of the case.
undesirable	/ˌʌndɪˈzaɪrəb(ə)l/	adjective	This medicine can have undesirable side effects.
valid	/ˈvælɪd/	adjective	You will need a valid passport.
validate	/ˈvælɪdeɪt/	verb	He forgot to validate his travel card when he got on the tram so he was issued with a fine.
vandalism	/ˈvændəˌlɪz(ə)m/	noun	Vandalism is the act of deliberately damaging or destroying things, especially public property.
vulnerability	/ˌvʌlnərəˈbɪləti/	noun	His vulnerability makes him an easy victim.
(be) willing to	/ˈwɪlɪŋ tə/tuː/	phrase	They are very willing to give her the chance she needs.

UNIT 6

WORD	PRONUNCIATION	PART OF SPEECH	EXAMPLE SENTENCE
a home from home	/ə ˈhəʊm frəm ˈhəʊm/	phrase	New York felt like a home from home for Jim. He was very happy there.
airtight	/ˈeə(r)ˌtaɪt/	adjective	Keep the biscuits in an airtight tin.
airy	/ˈeəri/	adjective	The bedrooms were all light and airy.

aria	/ˈɑːriə/	noun	The opera singer sang the aria beautifully.
at full blast	/ət ˈfʊl ˈblɑːst/	phrase	The radio was on full blast and it hurt my ears.
atmospheric	/ˌætˈmɒsˈferɪk/	adjective	The lighting in this café makes it very atmospheric.
be home and dry	/bi ˈhəʊm ən ˈdraɪ/	phrase	We're not home and dry yet. We've still got one more test to pass.
be in the same boat	/bi ɪn ðə ˌseɪm ˈbəʊt/	phrase	We're all in the same boat, so let's not criticise each other.
not someone's cup of tea	/nɒt sʌmwʌnz ˌkʌp ɒv ˈtiː/	phrase	War films are not really my cup of tea. I don't like them.
bill	/bɪl/	noun	I always pay my bills on time.
bitter	/ˈbɪtə(r)/	adjective	I'm still bitter about what happened. I don't think it was fair at all.
block of (high-rise) flats	/ˌblɒk əv (ˌhaɪ raɪz) ˈflæts/	noun	We live on the twentieth floor of a block of high-rise flats. The view is amazing!
bohemian	/bəʊˈhiːmiən/	adjective	This part of the town is very bohemian. A lot of artists and musicians live here.
brighten up	/ˌbraɪt(ə)n ˈʌp/	phrasal verb	You could brighten up your room with some colourful curtains and cushions.
bring (it) home to someone	/ˌbrɪŋ (ɪt) ˈhəʊm tə ˌsʌmwʌn/	phrase	The news story brought it home to them how desperate the situation was.
bring the house down	/brɪŋ ðə ˈhaʊs ˌdaʊn/	phrase	His performance brought the house down. Everyone was cheering and clapping.
bungalow	/ˈbʌŋɡəˌləʊ/	noun	My grandparents decided to move to a bungalow, so they didn't have any stairs to climb.
bustling	/ˈbʌs(ə)lɪŋ/	adjective	It's a lively bustling town with plenty of entertainment.

by trial and error	/baɪ ˌtraɪəl ən 'erə(r)/	phrase	I figured out how to use the new software by a process of trial and error.
chalet	/'ʃæleɪ/	noun	Last summer we stayed in a chalet in the Swiss Alps.
combat	/'kɒmbæt/	verb	What can we do to combat the problem of climate change?
cosmopolitan	/ˌkɒzmə'pɒlɪt(ə)n/	adjective	London is a great cosmopolitan city with people from many different countries and cultures living there.
cottage	/'kɒtɪdʒ/	noun	They live in an old cottage in the countryside. It's very picturesque.
criteria	/kraɪ'tɪəriə/	noun plural	Everyone whose qualifications meet our criteria will be considered.
crowded	/'kraʊdɪd/	adjective	The pool was too crowded, so we decided not to go for a swim.
deposit	/dɪ'pɒzɪt/	noun	We've put down a deposit on a new house.
detached house	/dɪˌtætʃt 'haʊs/	noun	We live in a detached house at the end of a long lane. We don't have any neighbours.
dodgy	/'dɒdʒi/	adjective	I wouldn't click on that link if I were you. It looks dodgy.
dorm/dormitory	/dɔː(r)m/'dɔː(r)mɪtri/	noun	My American cousin lives in a dorm on the campus of her university.
drown out	/ˌdraʊn 'aʊt/	phrasal verb	The music almost drowned the sound of his voice
eccentric	/ɪk'sentrɪk/	adjective	People think he's rather eccentric because he always wears odd socks.
flat-/house-hunt	/'flæt/'haʊs ˌhʌnt/	verb	They've been house-hunting for six months now but they haven't found anywhere yet.
flat/house share	/'flæt/'haʊs ˌʃeə(r)/	noun	They responded to the ad for a house share.
flatmate	/'flætˌmeɪt/	noun	My flatmate never does the washing-up. It's very annoying!
fully furnished	/ˌfʊli 'fɜː(r)nɪʃt/	adjective	The flat is fully furnished so we don't need to buy any furniture.
fun	/fʌn/	adjective	Brighton is a fun place to live. There's a lot of things to do there.

get on like a house on fire	/get ˌɒn laɪk ə 'haʊs ɒn ˌfaɪə(r)/	phrase	My best friend and I met at a party and we immediately got on like a house on fire.
go round the houses	/gəʊ ˌraʊnd ðə 'haʊsɪz/	phrase	He never told me what he thought. He just went round the houses!
ground rules	/'graʊnd ˌru:lz/	noun plural	Make sure you set the ground rules early on.
halls of residence	/ˌhɔ:lz əv 'rezɪd(ə)ns/	noun	We lived in the same hall of residence in our first year.
hilly	/'hɪli/	adjective	Our town is very hilly which is hard if you need to cycle somewhere!
hip	/hɪp/	adjective	It's a very hip part of town and has lots of cool cafés.
historic	/hɪ'stɔ:rɪk/	adjective	Tourists like to visit historic monuments and buildings such as Stonehenge and Westminster Abbey.
hold back	/ˌhəʊld 'bæk/	phrasal verb	He wanted to join the choir, but his shyness was holding him back.
home in on	/ˌhəʊm 'ɪn ɒn/	phrase	Sometimes they homed in on the right solution with incredible speed.
home truths	/ˌhəʊm 'tru:θz/	noun plural	She needs to hear some home truths, or she will never change her behaviour.
homebody	/'həʊm ˌbɒdi/	noun	He's a real homebody so he wants to go to the university in his town.
homesick	/'həʊm ˌsɪk/	adjective	My sister went on a school trip, but she got homesick and felt unhappy a lot of the time.
homestay	/'həʊm ˌsteɪ/	noun	Some universities offer homestays to international students so they can get to know the culture of the country.
host	/həʊst/	noun/adjective	I'm so glad I choose a homestay – my host family were very kind and friendly.
imitation	/ˌɪmɪ'teɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	Kim can do a great imitation of Woody Allen.
imposing	/ɪm'pəʊzɪŋ/	adjective	The building was huge and very imposing.

industrial	/ɪnˈdʌstriəl/	adjective	This area of the town is quite industrial and has a lot of factories.
insight	/ˈɪnsaɪt/	noun	I got more insights about him from reading his books than from talking to him.
instrumental	/ˌɪnstrʊˈment(ə)l/	adjective	He was instrumental in helping both sides to reach a compromise.
insulation	/ˌɪnsjʊˈleɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	We're having more insulation put in our roof to keep the house warm.
isolated	/ˈaɪsəˌleɪtɪd/	adjective	He lives in a very isolated mountain village. It's about fifty miles to the nearest town.
kick someone out	/ˌkɪk sʌmwʌn ˈaʊt/	phrasal verb	Sonia's been kicked out of her house and needs to find somewhere else to live.
laid-back	/ˌleɪd ˈbæk/	adjective	This is a very laid-back part of town. It feels very relaxing here.
landlord/landlady	/ˈlænd(d)ˌlɔː(r)d/ /ˈlænd(d)ˌleɪdi/	noun	The landlord wants to put up our rent.
LED	/ˌel iː ˈdiː/	noun	LED lighting is better for the environment as it uses less electricity.
lodger	/ˈlɒdʒə(r)/	noun	We've decided to rent out our spare room to a lodger.
luxury apartment	/ˌlʌkʃəri əˈpɑː(r)tment/	noun	Julia's got a luxury apartment in the city centre. The rent must be very expensive!
make (yourself) at home	/ˌmeɪk (jə(r)ˌself) ət ˈhəʊm/	phrase	Make yourself at home while I go and find those photographs.
mod cons	/ˌmɒd ˈkɒnz/	noun plural	The flat has got all the mod cons such as a dishwasher, fridge, washing machine, etc.
modification	/ˌmɒdɪfɪˈkeɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	They're having some modifications made to their house to make it more eco-friendly.
monstrosity	/mɒnˈstrɒsəti/	noun	The Eiffel Tower was considered a monstrosity when it was first built.

move in	/,mu:v 'ɪn/	phrasal verb	We're moving in to our new flat next week.
not be anything to write home about	/nɒt bi ,eniθɪŋ tə ,raɪt 'həʊm ə ,baʊt/	phrase	The acting was very good but the music wasn't anything to write home about.
paradise	/'pærədəɪs/	noun	The Seychelles are what most people think of as an island paradise.
picturesque	/,pɪktʃə'resk/	adjective	Garda is one of the lake's most picturesque resorts.
rank	/ræŋk/	verb	Nomura is now ranked third among the world's information services companies.
renowned for	/rɪ'naʊnd fə(r)/	phrase	The coast is renowned for its beautiful beaches.
run-down	/,rʌn 'daʊn/	adjective	This area of the city is poor and run-down. A lot of the buildings need knocking down.
sanitation	/,sæni'teɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	Nearly half of the world's people lack access to adequate sanitation.
semi-detached house	/semɪdɪ'tætʃt ,haʊs/	noun	They live in a semi-detached house so sometimes they can hear their neighbour through the wall.
shabby	/'ʃæbi/	adjective	We're going to paint my bedroom this weekend because it's looking quite shabby.
shift	/ʃɪft/	noun	There has been a recent shift towards involving the public in decision making.
spotless	/'spɒtləs/	adjective	The kitchen is spotless. You must have spent all morning cleaning it.
sprawling	/'sprɔ:lɪŋ/	adjective	It's a modern, sprawling city.
steeped in (history/art/culture)	/'sti:pt ɪn/	phrase	The region is steeped in history.
stylish	/'stɑɪlɪʃ/	adjective	This is a very stylish part of town – you will find lots of expensive shops and restaurants here.

tenant	/ˈtenənt/	noun	There are six commercial tenants in the building.
terraced house	/ˌterəst ˈhaʊs /	noun	We live in a terraced house so we have neighbours on both sides of us.
the small print	/ðə ˈsmɔ:l prɪnt/	noun	Don't forget to sign the small print before you sign the contract!
thriving	/ˈθraɪvɪŋ/	adjective	Littleton used to be a thriving market town but not many people go there now.
tourist trap	/ˈtʊərɪst træp/	noun	Prague is a real tourist trap in the summer. I recommend going in the winter instead.
touristy	/ˈtʊərɪsti/	adjective	It's a very touristy resort. There are hotels everywhere.
tranquil	/ˈtræŋkwɪl/	adjective	It's very tranquil here in the winter when all the tourists have left.
traumatic	/tro:ˈmæɪtɪk/	adjective	Being burgled was a very traumatic experience for me.
trendy	/ˈtrendi/	adjective	Camden is a very trendy area in London where lots of young professionals live.
turn up	/ˌtɜ:(r)n ˈʌp/	phrasal verb	There is no need to book – just turn up on the night.
unmissable	/ʌnˈmɪsəb(ə)l/	adjective	That play is unmissable – you must go and see it.
upmarket	/ʌpˈmɑ:(r)kɪt/	adjective	Their five-star hotel was in a very upmarket part of town.
vibrant	/ˈvaɪbrənt/	adjective	Dublin is a vibrant city and an exciting place to visit.
villa	/ˈvɪlə/	noun	Last summer we went to Spain and stayed in a villa with a swimming pool.
wastewater	/ˈweɪstˌwɔ:tə(r)/	noun	Wastewater includes water from baths, sinks, washing machines and dishwashers.
welcoming	/ˈwelkəmɪŋ/	adjective	It's a traditional hotel with a welcoming atmosphere.
well-connected	/ˌwel kəˈnektɪd/	adjective	We live in a well-connected town. It has good transport links, several schools, good healthcare services, a few buand business opportunities.

UNIT 7

WORD	PRONUNCIATION	PART OF SPEECH	EXAMPLE SENTENCE
80s/90s/00s (noughties)	/ˈeɪtɪz/ /ˈnaɪntɪz/ /ˈnɔːtɪz/	noun	I love pop music from the eighties.
accessory	/əkˈsesəri/	noun	I think that outfit needs some accessories such a scarf or necklace.
ad/advert/advertisement	/æd/ /ˈædvɜː(r)t/ /ədˈvɜː(r)tɪsmənt/	noun	The advert for their new product was shown on TV for the first time last night.
affordable	/əˈfɔː(r)dəb(ə)l/	adjective	Those concert tickets simply aren't affordable. They're far too expensive.
anonymous	əˈnɒnɪməs/	adjective	The caller preferred to remain anonymous and didn't give her name.
antisocial	/ˌæntɪˈsəʊʃ(ə)l/	adjective	He works antisocial hours so it's difficult for him to meet up with his friends.
back	/ˈbæk/	verb	His decision not to go to university was backed by his parents.
baggy	/ˈbægi/	adjective	I prefer baggy clothes to tight ones.
banner	/ˈbænə(r)/	noun	It's annoying when you get lots of banner ads appearing on your screen.
billboard	/ˈbɪlˌbɔː(r)d/	noun	The advert was put on a huge billboard outside the train station so that all the commuters would see it.
bold	/bəʊld/	adjective	Babies like bold colours as they can see them easily.
brand loyalty	/ˌbrænd ˈlɔɪəlti/	noun	I don't usually worry about brand loyalty and just buy the cheapest product.

brand name	/ˈbrænd neɪm/	noun	They've changed the brand name of the product to appeal to younger customers.
bring to the table	/ˌbrɪŋ tə ðə ˈteɪb(ə)l/	phrase	What does Jo bring to the table? Has he got any special skills?
brochure	/ˈbrɒʃə(r)/	noun	I picked up a copy of their summer travel brochure.
buzz	/bʌz/	noun	The film company is creating a lot of buzz about this latest film.
capture someone's attention	/ˈkæptʃə(r) sʌmwʌnz əˌtenʃ(ə)n/	phrase	It was a very original ad and it really captured the public's attention.
casual	/ˈkæʒuəl/	adjective	I prefer wearing casual clothes to parties, such as jeans.
censorship	/ˈsensə(r)ʃɪp/	noun	There was a lot of censorship in the 1920s and some books weren't allowed to be published.
check	/tʃek/	adjective	Who's that boy in the check shirt over there?
chic	/ʃi:k/	adjective	I love your clothes. You always look very chic.
childish	/ˈtʃaɪldɪʃ/	adjective	It's simply childish to refuse to talk to her.
classic	/ˈklæsɪk/	adjective	It's a good idea to have a few classic items in your wardrobe as they never go out of fashion.
collectable	/kəˈlektəb(ə)l/	adjective	Some of his pictures are quite collectable now.
corrupt	/kəˈrʌpt/	adjective	There is a big problem with corrupt politicians in that country.
creative	/kriˈeɪtɪv/	adjective	Painting is a creative process.
criticism	/ˈkrɪtɪˌsɪz(ə)m/	noun	She's not very good at listening to criticism. She likes to think she's perfect.
cultivate	/ˈkʌltɪveɪt/	verb	Rice is cultivated throughout the coastal regions.
cute	/kju:t/	adjective	That's such a cute little jacket. I love it!

deep fake	/ˈdi:p ˌfeɪk/	noun	The video of that politician looks very convincing but are you sure it's not a deep fake?
description	/dɪˈskrɪpʃ(ə)n/	noun	Please can you give a brief description of the area where you live?
designer-label	/dɪˌzaɪnə ˈleɪbl/	adjective	That shop is very expensive – it only sells designer-label clothes.
dramatically	/drəˈmætɪkli/	adverb	The following year his life changed dramatically.
empower	/ɪmˈpaʊə(r)/	verb	Our goal is to empower everyone on our staff.
endorse	/ɪnˈdɔː(r)s/	verb	Footballers are often asked to endorse brands.
endorsement	/ɪnˈdɔː(r)smənt/	noun	A lot of money is spent on paying celebrities to make endorsements of products.
ensure	/ɪnˈʃʊə(r)/	verb	Our new system ensures that everyone gets paid on time.
evolve	/ɪˈvɒlv/	verb	Computer software will continue to evolve in response to users' needs.
executive	/ɪgˈzekjʊtɪv/	noun	My cousin has got a job as a sales executive for a large company.
fake	/feɪk/	adjective	That's not a real person, it's fake.
(un)fashionable	/(\ʌn)ˈfæʃ(ə)nəb(ə)l/	adjective	Gardening has become very fashionable.
fast fashion	/ˌfɑːst ˈfæʃ(ə)n/	noun	Fast fashion can have harmful effects on the environment.
fit	/fɪt/	noun/verb	I like the suit, but the jacket doesn't fit me. It's too big.
fit in	/ˌfɪt ˈɪn/	phrasal verb	I tried to fit in, but they were all much younger than I was.
floppy hat	/ˌflɒpi ˈhæt/	noun	She wore a big floppy hat that covered her face from the sun.
flowery	/ˈflaʊəri/	adjective	She bought a flowery dress for the wedding.
flyer	/ˈflaɪə(r)/	noun	Someone was handing out flyers advertising the local sales.
free sample	/ˌfriː ˈsɑːmp(ə)l/	noun	They were giving out free samples of a new type of cheese at the supermarket yesterday.

freebie	/ˈfri:bi/	noun	Some new companies give away freebies of their products to increase awareness.
glamorous	/ˈglæməɹəs/	adjective	She looks very glamorous. I think she must be a film star.
grab someone's attention	/ˌgræb sʌmwʌnz əˈtenʃ(ə)n/	phrase	It's often the bad characters in a story who grab our attention.
hand-me-down	/ˈhænd mi: daʊn/	noun	I hate having to wear my sister's hand-me-downs. I want to choose my own clothes.
have an eye for	/ˌhæv ən ˈaɪ fɔ:(r)/	phrase	She has an eye for what kinds of clothes suit her.
illegally	/ɪˈli:g(ə)li/	adverb	That car is parked there illegally. The owner will get a ticket.
inability	/ˌɪnəˈbɪləti/	noun	He was frustrated by his inability to control the ball during the game.
increasingly	/ɪnˈkri:ʃɪŋli/	adverb	Her job has become increasingly difficult.
indecisive	/ˌɪndɪˈsaɪsɪv/	adjective	You need to stop being so indecisive and choose which course you're going to take.
ineffective	/ˌɪnɪˈfektɪv/	adjective	The medicine was ineffective and didn't make him feel better.
inescapable	/ˌɪnɪˈskeɪpəb(ə)l/	adjective	The inescapable fact is that the situation is unlikely to change.
influencer	/ˈɪnfluənsə(r)/	noun	He is a social media influencer so he posts lots of photos of himself wearing the latest fashions.
intensify	/ɪnˈtensɪfaɪ/	verb	Economic conditions intensified the pressure on industry to raise prices.
interaction	/ˌɪntərˈækʃ(ə)n/	noun	Jobs that involve a degree of social interaction are usually more satisfying.
launch a marketing campaign	/ˌlɔ:ntʃ ə ˈmɑ:(r)kɪtɪŋ kæmˌpeɪn/	phrase	They worked together to launch the new marketing campaign last year.

leaflet	/ˈliːflət/	noun	The man was handing out leaflets on the street about a new restaurant which is opening next week.
likelihood	/ˈlaɪklihʊd/	noun	There's a strong likelihood that he will run for president next year.
logo	/ˈləʊɡəʊ/	noun	The company has changed its logo to make it look more fresh and appealing.
look good on	/ˌlʊk ˈɡʊd ɒn/	phrase	Do you think this top looks good on me?
loose	/luːs/	adjective	It's going to be hot today so I'm going to wear a loose cotton shirt.
loud	/laʊd/	adjective	Wow! That shirt you're wearing is very loud. People will definitely notice you at the party.
make cold calls	/meɪk ˈkəʊld ˌkɔːlz/	phrase	Some companies make cold calls to try and persuade people to buy their product or service.
manipulate	/məˈnɪpjʊleɪt/	verb	People need to be aware when they are being manipulated by an ad.
marketeer	/ˌmɑː(r)kiˈtiə(r)/	noun	Marketeers promote products through a range of channels.
match	/mætʃ/	verb	She wore a green dress and a hat to match.
mimic	/ˈmɪmɪk/	verb	Some computers have the ability to mimic human intelligence.
mix and match	/ˌmɪks ən ˈmætʃ/	phrase	It's a good idea to have a range of clothes that you can mix and match to make different outfits.
modernise	/ˈmɒdə(r)naɪz/	verb	They're going to modernise the school buildings this year.
multi-purpose	/ˌmʌlti ˈpɜːpəs/	adjective	It's a great multi-purpose tool.
not be seen dead in	/nɒt bi ˌsiːn ˈded ɪn/	phrase	I wouldn't be seen dead in a hat like that. It's awful!
novelty value	/ˈnɒv(ə)lti ˌvæljuː/	noun	I think the novelty value will soon wear off and he will become bored.
old-fashioned	/ˌəʊld ˈfæʃ(ə)nd/	adjective	Blake was carrying an old-fashioned leather briefcase.

optimal	/ˈɒptɪm(ə)l/	adjective	If we hold the event at the weekend, we should get the optimal number of people attending.
outfit	/ˈaʊtfɪt/	noun	I need a new outfit for the wedding.
overconfidence	/ˌəʊvə(r)'kɒnfɪd(ə)ns/	noun	He's a bit arrogant and has rather a lot of overconfidence.
overnight	/ˌəʊvə(r)'naɪt/	adverb/adjective	Don't expect to become famous overnight.
over-sized	/ˌəʊvə(r),saɪzd/	adjective	I don't know where to put the over-sized books. They don't fit in my bookcase.
overthink	/ˌəʊvə'θɪŋk/	verb	I think you're overthinking things. Stop worrying.
patterned	/ˈpætə(r)nd/	adjective	He wore a brightly patterned shirt.
perfection	/pə(r)'fekʃ(ə)n/	noun	The view from our hotel room was simply perfection.
persona	/pə(r)'səʊnə/	noun	Eva's public persona didn't reveal much of her true character.
plain	/pleɪn/	adjective	She wore a plain white T-shirt and blue jeans.
pointless	/ˈpɔɪntləs/	adjective	It's pointless just waiting here. He's obviously not coming.
pop-up	/ˈpɒp ʌp/	noun	Those pop-ups that keep appearing when I'm browsing are really annoying.
pose	/pəʊz/	verb	The politician posed with the students for a few photos.
preseason	/pri:'si:zən/	adjective	Liverpool have got a preseason game this evening.
product placement	/ˌprɒdʌkt 'pleɪsmənt/	noun	There's a lot of product placement in this film which I think it spoils it.
promote	/prə'məʊt/	verb	These products are aggressively promoted and marketed.
relative to	/ˈrelatɪv tuː/	phrase	How did the control group students do relative to the whole class?
responsible	/rɪ'spɒnsəb(ə)l/	adjective	Parents feel responsible when things go wrong.
scruffy	/ˈskrʌfi/	adjective	Why are you wearing that scruffy old T-shirt?

second-hand	/ˌsekənd 'hænd/	adjective	I don't often buy new clothes. I usually get them from a second-hand shop.
sensible	/ˈsensəb(ə)l/	adjective	This seems to be a sensible way of dealing with the problem.
showcase	/ˈʃəʊˌkeɪs/	verb	Their comedy sketch showcases their unique style of humour.
slave to fashion	/ˌsleɪv təˈfæʃ(ə)n/	noun	Are you a slave to fashion or do you have your own style?
slogan	/ˈsləʊɡən/	noun	The company unveiled its new advertising slogan this week.
smart	/smɑː(r)t/	adjective	Sandy's looking very smart today. Has she got a job interview?
solution	/səˈluːʃ(ə)n/	noun	Solar energy offers a low-cost solution to our fuel problems.
sophisticated	/səˈfɪstɪˌkertɪd/	adjective	Consumers are getting more sophisticated and more demanding.
stand out (from the crowd)	/ˌstænd 'aʊt/	phrasal verb	Her bright clothes always make her stand out from the crowd.
strengthen	/ˈstreŋθ(ə)n/	verb	Aerobic exercise strengthens the heart.
stripy	/ˈstraɪpi/	adjective	I love your stripy scarf.
stylish	/ˈstaɪlɪʃ/	adjective	She's got some very stylish clothes.
suit	/suːt/	verb	Dark colours suit her best.
supportive	/səˈpɔː(r)tɪv/	adjective	He has always been extremely supportive of her.
sustainable	/səˈsteɪnəb(ə)l/	adjective	I think it's important that fast fashion becomes more sustainable.
sweatshop	/ˈswetˌʃɒp/	noun	That T-shirt may be very cheap, but it was probably produced in a sweatshop.
tallish	/ˈtɔːlɪʃ/	adjective	I'm tallish but I'm not as tall as my brother. He's very tall!
theoretically	/ˌθɪəˈretɪkli/	adverb	They knew that a vaccine for the virus was theoretically possible.
thoughtfulness	/ˈθɔːtf(ə)lnəs/	noun	She showed a lot of thoughtfulness towards him.

tight	/taɪt/	adjective	The first hat was a bit tight, so I got a slightly bigger one.
timeless	/ˈtaɪmləs/	adjective	The dress had a timeless elegance.
tried-and-tested	/ˌtraɪd ənd ˈtestɪd/	phrase	This is a tried-and-tested way of getting food stains out of clothing. It won't fail.
uncertain	/ʌnˈsɜː(r)t(ə)n/	adjective	The origin of the word is uncertain.
undeniably	/ˌʌndɪˈnaɪəbli/	adverb	There's no question about it. This is undeniably the most successful season they've had.
unfortunately	/ʌnˈfɔː(r)tʃ(ə)nətli/	adverb	Unfortunately, Jack is leaving the company.
variety	/vəˈraɪəti/	noun	People study yoga for a variety of reasons.
vintage	/ˈvɪntɪdʒ/	adjective	My sister has bought a beautiful 1950s vintage dress.
word-of-mouth publicity	/ˌwɜː(r)d əv ˌmaʊθ pʌbˈlɪsəti/	phrase	This book became a bestseller through word of mouth publicity.

UNIT 8

WORD	PRONUNCIATION	PART OF SPEECH	EXAMPLE SENTENCE
account (1)	/əˈkaʊnt/	noun	There was only £50 in his bank account.
account (2)	/əˈkaʊnt/	noun	He was too shocked to give a clear account of events.
adversity	/ədˈvɜː(r)səti/	noun	We struggled on in the face of adversity.
altitude	/ˈæltɪˌtjuːd/	noun	The Rocky Mountains are lower in altitude than the Himalayas.
back in the saddle	/ˌbæk ɪn ðə ˈsæd(ə)l/	phrase	He lost his confidence for a while but he's back in the saddle now.
be unique to	/bi juːˈniːk tə/	phrase	The problem is not unique to British students.

break (1)	/breɪk/	noun	We decided to take a short break and booked a trip to Paris for the weekend.
break (2)	/breɪk/	noun	Kiefer's big break came with the film <i>Stand By Me</i> .
break	/breɪk/	verb	It broke her heart when her best friend moved to another country.
breakneck	/'breɪk,nek/	adjective	Joey came racing round the corner at breakneck speed.
brighten up	/,braɪt(ə)n 'ʌp/	phrasal verb	Sarah brightened up considerably as she thought of Emily's kind words.
canyoning	/'kænjənɪŋ/	noun	Ahmed went canyoning in the US last year. He had a great time, climbing, jumping and swimming through the canyons in Zion National Park.
cast a shadow over	/,kɑːst ə 'ʃædəʊ ,əʊvə(r)/	phrase	The sad news cast a shadow over the celebrations.
catch (1)	/kætʃ/	verb	The music was so loud I didn't catch what he said.
catch (2)	/kætʃ/	verb	The police say they're doing all they can to catch the criminals.
chilled	/tʃɪld/	adjective	As it was so hot, we bought a chilled bottle of water.
clear (1)	/klaɪə(r)/	adjective	It was a beautiful spring day, with clear blue skies.
clear (2)	/klaɪə(r)/	adjective	It was very clear that something was worrying him.
clear (3)	/klaɪə(r)/	adjective	Clear instructions are provided. They should be easy to follow.
clinical	/'klɪnɪk(ə)l/	adjective	They may be unaware that they have any clinical symptoms.
comfort zone	/'kʌmfə(r)t zəʊn/	noun	It's a good idea to challenge yourself and get out of your comfort zone from time to time.
core	/kɔː(r)/	noun	In extreme conditions it's important that the core of your body stays warm because that is where your major organs are.
cover (1)	/'kʌvə(r)/	verb	We had to cover the last three miles on foot.

cover (2)	/ˈkʌvə(r)/	verb	They covered her with a blanket.
dedicate	/ˈdedɪkeɪt/	verb	Andy wants to dedicate more time to his hobbies.
dinghy	/ˈdɪŋgi/, /ˈdɪŋgi/	noun	They set sail in a small dinghy.
dominate	/ˈdɒmɪneɪt/	verb	Don't allow the computer to dominate your child's life.
down in the dumps	/ˌdaʊn ɪn ðə ˈdʌmps/	phrase	Some Mondays I just feel down in the dumps but I soon cheer up.
draw	/drɔː/	noun	A last-minute goal earned Switzerland a 1–1 draw with Italy.
draw (1)	/drɔː/	verb	Someone had drawn a map of the island.
draw (2)	/drɔː/	verb	Our attention was drawn to the sound of shouting outside.
drift	/drɪft/	verb	The boat started to drift out to sea.
drop off	/ˌdrɒp ˈɒf/	phrasal verb	Is it ok if I drop the books off later? Will you be at home?
ear-splitting	/ˈiə(r) ˌsplɪtɪŋ/	adjective	The music last night was ear-splitting!
encompass	/ɪnˈkʌmpəs/	verb	His kingdom encompassed 890 square miles.
eye-catching	/ˈaɪ ˌkætʃɪŋ/	adjective	That shop's window display is really eye-catching.
eye-opening	/ˈaɪ ˌəʊp(ə)nɪŋ/	adjective	Volunteering at the homeless shelter was eye-opening for me.
fair (1)	/feə(r)/	adjective	The weather is going to be fair today, so you won't need a coat or umbrella.
fair (2)	/feə(r)/	adjective	It's fair to say that we probably won't win that match.
feel blue	/ˌfiːl ˈbluː/	phrase	She usually calls her mother when she's feeling blue.
feel down/low	/ˌfiːl ˈdaʊn/ˈləʊ/	phrase	He's been feeling very down since his wife went away.
get to the point	/ˌget tə ðə ˈpɔɪnt/	phrase	We haven't got all day, so please get to the point.

goggles	/ˈɡɒɡ(ə)lz/	noun plural	I don't like getting water in my eyes, so I always wear goggles when I go swimming.
grieve	/ɡri:v/	verb	They were grieving the death of their father.
hair-raising	/ˈheə(r) ˌreɪzɪŋ/	adjective	Come and try this hair-raising new rollercoaster.
hard (1)	/hɑ:(r)d/	adjective	That chair is quite hard. Would you like a cushion?
hard (2)	/hɑ:(r)d/	adjective	Some of the questions in the exam were very hard. I don't think I got many right.
hard (3)	/hɑ:(r)d/	adjective	We had a hard winter last year. I hope it's not going to be as cold this year.
heart-stopping	/ˈhɑ:(r)t ˌstɒpɪŋ/	adjective	Watch the heart-stopping moment when a young zebra is separated from its mother.
heartwarming	/ˈhɑ:(r)t ˌwɔ:(r)mɪŋ/	adjective	It's really heartwarming to see such generosity.
ice floe	/ˈaɪs fləʊ/	noun	The polar bear was standing all alone on a large ice floe.
immerse	/ɪˈmɜ:(r)s/	verb	Sandra immersed herself in work to try and forget her problems at home.
immune	/ɪˈmju:n/	adjective	If you had measles when you were a child, you're probably immune to it now.
in low spirits	/ɪn ˌləʊ ˈspɪrɪts/	phrase	She's in low spirits and needs cheering up.
in seventh heaven	/ɪn ˌsev(ə)nθ ˈhev(ə)n/	phrase	She's been in seventh heaven ever since she heard she'd got the job.
innate	/ɪˈneɪt/	adjective	His innate sense of justice made him popular with his workforce.
integral	/ˈɪntɪgrəl/, /ɪnˈtegrəl/	adjective	Home visits by staff are an integral part of the service.

knuckle	/ˈnʌk(ə)l/	noun	His knuckles were white from gripping onto the rollercoaster ride so tightly.
last (1)	/lɑːst/	adjective	Unfortunately, I hurt my foot and came last in the race.
last (2)	/lɑːst/	adjective	We share the same last name, but we aren't related.
last (3)	/lɑːst/	verb	The game lasts 80 minutes.
life-like	/ˈlaɪflaɪk/	adjective	This painting is so life-like. I thought it was a photograph.
life raft	/ˈlaɪf rɑːft/	noun	The passengers hurried onto the life raft as the ship started to sink.
lift somebody's spirits	/ˌlɪft sʌmbədɪz 'spɪrɪts/	phrase	The bad weather did nothing to lift her spirits.
light at the end of the tunnel	/ˌlaɪt ət ði ˌend əv ðə ˈtʌn(ə)l/	phrase	After many bad weeks, she began to see light at the end of the tunnel.
light up	/ˌlaɪt ˈʌp/	phrasal verb	The boy's eyes lit up when he saw the chocolate cake.
look gloomy/bleak	/ˌlʊk ˈɡluːmi/ˈbliːk/	phrase	Things look very bleak for the team. They probably won't last the season.
look up	/ˌlʊk ˈʌp/	phrasal verb	He's had a hard time recently, but things are looking up for him now.
material comforts	/məˈtɪəriəl/ 'kʌmfə(r)ts/	noun plural	I don't think I could live without my material comforts. I like having nice clothes, my phone and gadgets, as well as my car.
mind can beat matter	/ˌmaɪnd kæn biːt 'mætə(r)/	phrase	Despite having no strength left in his legs, the athlete reached the finish line and proved that mind can beat matter.
mind-blowing	/ˌmaɪnd ˌbləʊɪŋ/	adjective	Seeing the Northern Lights was a truly mind-blowing experience.
mindset	/ˌmaɪn(d)ˌset/	noun	The company will have to change its whole mindset if it is to survive.
miss the point	/ˌmɪs ðə ˈpɔɪnt/	phrase	She missed the point entirely and thought I was blaming her.
nail-biting	/ˈneɪl ˌbaɪtɪŋ/	adjective	The new episode was truly nail-biting. I could barely keep watching it!

obstacle	/ˈɒbstæk(ə)l/	noun	Tiredness was the biggest obstacle in the way of their attempt to rescue the climbers.
on cloud nine	/ɒn ˌklaʊd ˈnaɪn/	phrase	The surprise party made Adam feel on cloud nine.
on the point of	/ɒn ðə ˈpɔɪnt ɒv/	phrase	We were on the point of leaving when the phone rang.
on top of the world	/ɒn ˌtɒp əv ðə ˈwɜː(r)ld/	phrase	She felt on top of the world that morning. She felt like she could achieve anything!
over the moon	/ˌəʊvə(r) ðə ˈmuːn/	phrase	I'm over the moon about my exam results! I did much better than I'd expected.
paddle	/ˈpæd(ə)l/	noun	Her hands were sore from gripping the paddle as they canoed up the river.
paralysed	/ˈpærəlaɪzd/	adjective	The accident left him paralysed from the waist down and he could no longer walk.
pass	/pɑːs/	verb	The summer holidays passed quickly, as usual.
physiological	/ˌfɪziəˈlɒdʒɪk(ə)l/	adjective	The drug produced no obvious physiological response.
pick up (1)	/ˌpɪk ˈʌp/	phrasal verb	The train slowly pulled out of the station and then picked up speed.
pick up (2)	/ˌpɪk ˈʌp/	phrasal verb	She rushed to pick up the baby as soon as it started to cry.
point (1)	/pɔɪnt/	noun	I'm sorry – I just don't see the point of doing this.
point (2)	/pɔɪnt/	noun	At that point we all got up and walked out of the room.
pristine	/ˈprɪstiːn/	adjective	The beaches are pristine in this part of the country as there is very little pollution.
project	/prəˈdʒekt/	verb	His mother had projected her anxieties onto him.
prove a point	/ˌpruːv ə ˈpɔɪnt/	phrase	It all goes to prove my point that you can never be too careful.

resilience	/rɪˈzɪliəns/	noun	It is important to develop resilience so that you are able to get over disappointments and move on quickly.
rip (off)	/rɪp (ɒf)/	verb	He ripped off his shirt and dived into the water.
score a point	/ˌskɔː(r) ə ˈpɔɪnt/	phrase	How many points did you score in the quiz?
see a point	/ˌsiː ə ˈpɔɪnt/	phrase	I see your point but I don't agree.
since	/sɪns/	adverb	Everything has changed so much since last spring.
since	/sɪns/	preposition	You should talk to Karen since she's the one responsible for authorising payments.
somebody's heart sinks	/ˌsʌmbədiz ˈhɑː(r)t ˌsɪŋks/	phrase	Her heart sank when she heard that her best friend was going to move to another school.
soul-destroying	/ˈsəʊl dɪˌstrɔɪɪŋ/	adjective	Her search for a new job was becoming soul-destroying. She felt like she was never going to find one.
spot	/spɒt/	noun	We found him sitting in a sunny spot in the garden.
spot	/spɒt/	verb	Did you spot anything you like when you went shopping?
take something into account	/ˌteɪk sʌmθɪŋ ˌɪntu əˈkaʊnt/	phrase	When marking our essays, our teacher also takes into our spelling and grammar.
tip (1)	/tɪp/	noun	Land's End is at the most south westerly tip of Cornwall in England.
tip (2)	/tɪp/	noun	The booklet gives some good tips on getting the most out of your software.
tip (3)	/tɪp/	noun	Shall we leave a tip for the waiter?
tip (4)	/tɪp/	noun	Sorry, the flat's a real tip at the moment. I haven't had to tidy up.
tip (5)	/tɪp/	noun	The builders will take away all the rubbish and get rid of it at the tip.
tip (1)	/tɪp/	verb	She tipped the sand out of her bucket.

tip (2)	/tɪp/	verb	He is tipped to take over from the current manager.
up to a point	/ʌp tu: ə 'pɔɪnt/	phrase	Self-expression is good up to a point, but you can't just let these kids run wild.
venture	/ˈventʃə(r)/	verb	Our cat rarely ventures beyond the garden wall.
vortex	/ˈvɔː(r)teks/	noun	He was caught up in a swirling vortex of emotions.
walk/float on air	/ˌwɔːk/ˌfləʊt ɒn 'eə(r)/	phrase	Since their engagement, he's been walking on air.
wallow	/ˈwɒləʊ/	verb	George still seems determined to wallow in self-pity.

UNIT 9

WORD	PRONUNCIATION	PART OF SPEECH	EXAMPLE SENTENCE
accomplish feats	/əˌkʌmplɪʃ 'fiːts/	phrase	He's only 14 but he's already accomplished a lot of feats in his life.
aid worker	/ 'eɪd ˌwɜː(r)kə(r)/	noun	She wants to get a job as an aid worker and help people in developing countries.
applicant	/ˈæplɪkənt/	noun	Successful applicants will be notified by telephone.
aspiration	/ˌæsprɪ'reɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	When I was 12 I had aspirations to play professional football.
authentic	/ɔː'θentɪk/	adjective	If you want to try authentic pizza, go to Italy!
beam	/bi:m/	verb	Pictures of the concert were beamed to television audiences all over the world.
become financially independent	/bɪˌkʌm faɪˌnænfəli ɪndɪ'pendənt/	phrase	I want to find a job and become financially independent, so I don't have to rely on my parents.

break into the job market	/ˌbreɪk ɪntə ðə 'dʒɒb ˌmɑː(r)kɪt/	phrase	It can be hard to break into the job market when you don't have much experience.
build up	/ˌbɪld 'ʌp/	phrasal verb	These exercises are good for building up leg strength.
cause trouble	/ˌkɔːz 'trʌb(ə)l/	phrase	Peter used to cause a lot of trouble at school.
climb the first rung on the career ladder	/klaɪm ðə 'fɜː(r)st ˌrʌŋ ɒn ðə kə'riə(r) ˌlædər/	phrase	Getting some work experience can help you climb the first rung of the career ladder.
cover expenses	/ˌkʌvə(r) ɪk'spensɪz/	phrase	My dad had to fly to Edinburgh for a job interview but luckily the company covered his travel expenses.
curate	/ˌkjʊ'reɪt/	verb	Recapp wants to make it more convenient to read sports news curated around your favorite sports and teams.
doodle	/ˈduːd(ə)l/	noun	I often draw doodles in the margins of my exercise book when I'm thinking of what to write.
dry up	/ˌdraɪ 'ʌp/	phrasal verb	What will happen to the project when the money dries up?
elaborate	/ɪˈlæbəreɪt/	verb	The police refused to elaborate on the circumstances of the arrest.
embark on a career / course / project / venture	/ɪmˌbɑː(r)k ɒn ə/	phrase	After leaving college, Lucy embarked on an acting career.
end up	/ˌend 'ʌp/	phrasal verb	If you do work experience at a company, you may end up getting a job there.
experience a setback / a shock / a situation / a surprise / adversity / an obstacle / change / fear /	/ɪk'spiəriəns/	phrase	She experienced a few setbacks along the way but she never gave up.

pain / problems / resistance			
extrinsic	/eks'trɪnsɪk/	adjective	Things like money and recognition are extrinsic forms of motivation.
fall by the wayside	/ˌfɔ:l baɪ ðə 'weɪsaɪd/	phrase	A lot of the smaller shops in our town have fallen by the wayside because of the economical situation.
fall through	/ˌfɔ:l 'θru:/	phrasal verb	The planned purchase of the hotel fell through so the owner is looking for another buyer.
find your feet	/ˌfaɪnd jɔ:(r) 'fi:t/	phrase	For the first few months in my new job, I had trouble finding my feet.
fleece	/fli:s/	adjective/noun	I love wearing my fleece jacket because it's so soft.
follow in somebody's footsteps	/ˌfɒləʊ ɪn sʌmbədɪz 'fʊt,steps/	phrase	She followed in her father's footsteps and joined the medical profession.
gain a qualification / confidence / experience / insight / knowledge / understanding	/geɪn/	phrase	He gained his qualification in nursing last year.
get a foot in the door	/get ə 'fʊt ɪn ðə ,dɔ:(r)/	phrase	She got her foot in the door by doing some unpaid work experience.
get on in life	/ˌget 'ɒn ɪn ,laɪf/	phrase	Sam worked long hours because he was keen to get on in life.
give somebody (valuable) insight into	/ˌgɪv sʌmbədi 'ɪnsaɪt ɪntu:/	phrase	The documentary gave viewers a valuable insight into the mind of a genius.
have drive and ambition	/hæv ,draɪv ənd æm'bɪʃ(ə)n/	phrase	She has a lot of drive and ambition. She will be very successful.
heat press	/ˈhi:t ,pres/	noun	They printed the designs onto the T-shirts using a heat press.

hit the ground running	/ˌhɪt ðə ˈgraʊnd ˈrʌnɪŋ/	phrase	The new sales director will have to hit the ground running from her first day. There are a lot of problems to sort out!
inspire confidence	/ɪnˌspʌɪə(r) ˈkɒnfɪd(ə)ns/	phrase	I'm not sure about the new manager. He doesn't inspire a lot of confidence.
intern	/ˈɪntɜː(r)n/	noun	He started here as an intern and has since earned a permanent position.
internship	/ˈɪntɜː(r)nˌʃɪp/	noun	Rosie did an internship at a national newspaper because she wants to have a career as journalist.
made to order	/ˌmeɪd tu ˈɔːdə(r)/	phrase	These T-shirts are made to order so you can choose the colour and design.
make your own way in life	/ˌmeɪk jə(r) ˈəʊn ˌweɪ ɪn ˌlaɪf/	phrase	He wanted to make his own way in life and not be dependent on his parents for anything.
mentor	/ˈmentɔː(r)/	noun	I learnt a lot from my mentor when I first started my job.
minimum wage	/ˌmɪnɪməm ˈweɪdʒ/	noun	Joshua has got a job but he's only earning minimum wage.
networking	/ˈnetˌwɜː(r)kɪŋ/	noun	The conference should provide plenty of opportunities for networking.
never look back	/ˌnevə(r) lʊk ˈbæk/	phrase	I took the art college offer and have never looked back.
outweigh	/ˌaʊtˈweɪ/	verb	The possible benefits outweigh the risks involved.
overcome a problem / a situation / adversity / an obstacle / change / fear / pain / resistance / setbacks	/ˌəʊvə(r) ˈkʌm/	phrase	Jimmy overcame his problems to graduate with a first-class degree.
overcome setbacks	/ˌəʊvə(r) ˌkʌm ˈsetˌbæks/	phrase	We've overcome many setbacks but we finally own our own home.

pay attention	/ˌpeɪ əˈtenʃ(ə)n/	phrase	I hope you're paying attention, because you'll be tested later.
proceeds	/ˈprəʊˌsiːdz/	noun plural	The proceeds from the cake sale will go towards new books for the school library.
put something on hold	/ˌpʊt sʌmθɪŋ ɒn ˈhəʊld/	phrase	After the accident her career had to be put on hold.
reach	/ri:tʃ/	noun	The marketing campaign has increased the company's reach on several social media platforms.
recognition	/ˌrekəɡˈnɪʃ(ə)n/	noun	His work has never gained the international recognition it deserves.
recruit	/rɪˈkruːt/	verb	The company won't be recruiting any new employees again until next year.
referee	/ˌrefəˈriː/	noun	Applicants should also send the names and addresses of two referees.
resume	/rɪˈzjuːm/	verb	The talks will resume later after a short break.
revenue	/ˈrevənjuː/	noun	The magazine had been losing advertising revenue for months so it had to close.
serve an apprenticeship	/ˌsɜː(r)v ən əˈprentɪsʃɪp/	phrase	At 16, he served an apprenticeship as a car mechanic.
settle in	/ˌset(ə)l ˈɪn/	phrasal verb	She seems to have settled in quickly at her new company.
sincere	/sɪnˈsɪə(r)/	adjective	He's a very sincere person. He means what he says.
speak (your) mind	/ˌspiːk ʝɔː(r) ˈmaɪnd/	phrase	She was an assertive woman who always spoke her mind.
splash out	/ˌsplæʃ ˈaʊt/	phrasal verb	He's just splashed out on a brand new car.
spontaneous	/spɒnˈteɪniəs/	adjective	We didn't plan to go to the cinema. We were just walking past and decided to be spontaneous and buy a ticket.
spur	/spɜː(r)/	verb	The thought of failing my exams spurred me into action.

stepping-stone	/ˈstepɪŋ stəʊn/	noun	The job can be a stepping-stone to a career in publishing.
suffer a setback	/ˌsʌfər ə ˈsetˌbæk/	phrase	The government's efforts to solve the crisis suffered a setback today.
take up a career / a hobby / a position / a position / a post	/ˌteɪk ˈʌp/	phrase	My dad has taken up a new career in teaching.
throw yourself into	/ˈθrəʊ jə(r)self ˌɪntuː/	phrase	He always throws himself into everything he does. He's very enthusiastic.
tricks of the trade	/ˈtrɪks ɒv ðə ˌtreɪd/	phrase	There are a few tricks of the trade you can learn which will help you when painting a room.
trustworthy	/ˈtrʌs(t)ˌwɜː(r)ði/	adjective	He's a very trustworthy and reliable person.
try your hand at something	/ˌtraɪ jɜː(r) ˈhand ət sʌmθɪŋ/	phrase	I've always wanted to try my hand at writing a novel.
undertake a study / a survey / a task / an analysis / an investigation	/ˈʌndə(r)teɪk/	phrase	Environmentalists have undertaken a study into the effects of climate change on bees.
voice an opinion	/ˌvoɪs ən əˈpɪnjən/	phrase	The students were not given the chance to voice an opinion about the new rules.
weigh up the consequences/the pros and cons	/ˌweɪ ʌp ðə ˈkɒnsɪkwənsɪz/ ðə ˌprəʊz ən ˈkɒnz/	phrase	We need to weigh up the pros and cons of each system before we decide which we're going to use.
well-suited	/ˌwel ˈsuːɪd/	adjective	I think she will be well-suited to her job as a teacher because she is very patient.
work placement	/ˈwɜː(r)k ˌpleɪsmənt/	noun	Sajid has got a temporary work placement at a marketing company.

UNIT 10

WORD	PRONUNCIATION	PART OF SPEECH	EXAMPLE SENTENCE
ace	/eɪs/	verb	The students aced the test. Everyone did brilliantly.
ageing	/ˈeɪdʒɪŋ/	noun	This skin cream claims to slow down the ageing process.
analytical	/ˌænəˈlɪtɪk(ə)l/	adjective	She has a very analytical mind and examines things carefully to understand them.
assertiveness	/əˈsɜːtɪvnəs/	noun	You need more assertiveness if you want to succeed in business.
avoid jargon	/əˌvɔɪd ˈdʒɑː(r)ɡən/	phrase	I wish he would avoid all that jargon when he's talking about his job. I can't understand a word!
backing	/ˈbækɪŋ/	noun	These proposals have the backing of the main political parties.
back up	/ˌbæk ˈʌp/	phrasal verb	If I ask for more money, will you back me up?
be on the same page	/biː ɒn ðə ˌseɪm ˈpeɪdʒ/	phrase	I think we're all on the same page. We're all in agreement, aren't we?
bear traces	/ˌbeə(r) ˈtreɪsɪz/	phrase	Many buildings in the town still bear traces of the damage caused by last year's storm.
bilingual	/baɪˈlɪŋɡwəl/	adjective	He goes to a bilingual school where he learns in both French and English.
bilingualism	/baɪˈlɪŋɡwəlɪz(ə)m/	noun	We need to have an honest discussion about the future of bilingualism in Canada.
blend	/blend/	noun	Their music is a stylish blend of jazz and pop.

brainchild	/ˈbreɪnˌtʃaɪld/	noun	This project is his brainchild. He first came up with it a year ago and he has been developing it since then.
bring up	/ˌbrɪŋ ˈʌp/	phrasal verb	Brown said the issue would be brought up again at the next climate conference.
cheery	/ˈtʃɪəri/	adjective	Jack was his usual cheery and happy self.
clarify	/ˈklærəfaɪ/	verb	Could you clarify your remarks? I don't think many people understood.
convey a message	/kənˌveɪ ə ˈmesɪdʒ/	phrase	This film conveys a powerful message about the impact of climate change.
crash course	/ˈkræʃ ˌkɔː(r)s/	noun	Jenny is doing a crash course in learning to drive because she wants to pass her test quickly.
credit	/ˈkredɪt/	verb	He's been credited with raising awareness of this problem.
cut in	/ˌkʌt ˈɪn/	phrasal verb	Sue kept cutting in and asking questions.
cut off	/ˌkʌt ˈɒf/	phrasal verb	Don't cut me off when I'm talking.
dementia	/dɪˈmenʃə/	noun	My grandma struggles to remember things because she's got dementia.
denote	/dɪˈnəʊt/	verb	In the table, T denotes time and W weight.
dizzying array	/ˈdɪziɪŋ əˌreɪ/	noun	There's a dizzying array of products available online which makes it hard to choose.
draw	/drɔː/	verb	The new shopping centre has drawn a lot of visitors to the town.
find something puzzling	/ˌfaɪnd sʌmθɪŋ ˈpʌz(ə)lɪŋ/	phrase	I find it puzzling how he never talks about his family.
fundamental	/ˌfʌndəˈment(ə)l/	adjective	Equality is a fundamental principle of a fair society.
get the wrong end of the stick	/ˌget ðə rɒŋ ˌend əv ðə ˈstɪk/	phrase	I think you've got the wrong end of the stick. That's not what I meant at all.

get through to	/ˌget ˈθruː tuː/	phrasal verb	I feel I'm not getting through to some of the kids in my class. They just don't understand.
give somebody (your) word	/ˌɡɪv sʌmbədi jə(r) ˈwɜː(r)d/	phrase	I gave him my word that I wouldn't tell anybody his secret.
go-to	/ˈɡəʊ ˌtuː/	noun	He's the go-to if you need any help with IT issues. He knows everything about computers.
grasp	/ɡrɑːsp/	noun	She has a good grasp of English grammar.
hit upon	/ˈhɪt əˌpʊn/	phrasal verb	They hit upon the idea of celebrating the occasion with a concert.
hooked	/hʊkt/	adjective	He loves that new TV series. He's hooked.
impairment	/ɪmˈpeə(r)mənt/	noun	She's got a hearing impairment, so she wears a hearing aid.
in a word	/ˌɪn ə ˈwɜː(r)d/	phrase	'Did you like Vince?' 'In a word, no.'
inequality	/ˌɪniˈkwɒləti/	noun	Her book is about the inequality between women and men.
internationalist	/ˌɪntəˈnæʃnəlist/	adjective	This new government is more internationalist in its approach and wants to work with other countries.
keep (your) word	/ˌkiːp jə(r) ˈwɜː(r)d/	phrase	She always keeps her word. You can rely on her.
leaf through	/ˌliːf ˈθruː/	phrasal verb	She sat leafing through a newspaper, watching the door.
let on	/ˌlet ˈɒn/	phrasal verb	How did she plan the surprise party without letting on to her husband?
level playing field	/ˌlev(ə)l ˈpleɪɪŋ ˌfiːld/	noun	We need to ensure there's a level playing field so that it's fair for all candidates.
lingua franca	/ˌlɪŋgwə ˈfræŋkə/	noun	German is a useful lingua franca for tourists in the Czech Republic.
lose face	/ˌluːz ˈfeɪs/	phrase	The government will lose face if they do not go ahead with this.
make a gaffe	/ˌmeɪk ə ˈgæf/	phrase	The politician made a big gaffe at the news conference and later had to apologise.

make a witty remark	/ˌmeɪk ə ˈwɪti rɪˈmɑː(r)k/	phrase	He's always making witty remarks. He thinks he's so clever and funny but he's just annoying.
make out	/ˌmeɪk ˈaʊt/	phrasal verb	Can you make out a face here on the photograph?
misinterpret	/ˌmɪsɪnˈtɜː(r)pɪt/	verb	He insisted his views had been misinterpreted by his critics and that wasn't what he'd meant.
miss out	/ˌmɪs ˈaʊt/	phrasal verb	An important fact had been missed out which should have been included.
monolingual	/ˌmɒnəʊˈlɪŋɡwəl/	adjective	I prefer using a monolingual dictionary rather than an English-French one.
not in so many words	/nɒt ɪn ˈsəʊ ˌmeni ˈwɜː(r)dz/	phrase	'Did he say he was unhappy?' 'Not in so many words.'
omnipresence	/ˌɒmniˈprez(ə)ns/	noun	The omnipresence of social media in society has caused huge change.
on the spur of the moment	/ɒn ðə ˈspɜː(r) ɒv ðə ˈməʊmənt/	phrase	I can't decide on the spur of the moment. I need some time to think about it.
open up (to)	/ˌəʊpən ˈʌp/	phrasal verb	It's taken a few months, but Katy is finally starting to open up to me and talk about how she feels.
pamphlet	/ˈpæmflet/	noun	They were handing out pamphlets at the conference which contained information about the speakers.
paradoxically	/ˌpærəˈdɒksɪkli/	adverb	Paradoxically, it is their differences that bring them closer to each other.
pick up on	/ˌpɪk ˈʌp ɒn/	phrasal verb	I'd just like to pick up on a couple of points that you made.
point out	/ˌpɔɪnt ˈaʊt/	phrasal verb	He pointed out that we had two hours of free time before dinner.
pop up	/ˌpɒp ˈʌp /	phrasal verb	The daffodils and tulips are popping up everywhere.
proficiency	/prəˈfɪʃ(ə)nsi/	noun	He has a high level of proficiency in Arabic.

prominent	/ˈprɒmɪnənt/	adjective	The order was given by a prominent member of the government.
put words into somebody's mouth	/pʊt ˈwɜː(r)dz ɪntə sʌmbədiz ˌmaʊθ/	phrase	He accused the interviewer of putting words into his mouth.
resolutely	/ˈrezəluːtli/	adjective	She's resolutely determined to go to that particular university. She doesn't want to go anywhere else.
sacrifice	/ˈsækrɪfaɪs/	verb	Would you sacrifice some of your salary for more holiday time?
(just) say the word	/dʒʌst ˌseɪ ðə ˈwɜː(r)d/	phrase	We can go whenever you like. Just say the word.
sentiment	/ˈsentɪmənt/	noun	I had considerable sympathy with the sentiments expressed in his letter.
speak out (against)	/ˌspiːk ˈaʊt əˌɡenst/	phrasal verb	He has always spoken out against inequality. He strongly believes in equal rights for all.
spell out	/ˌspel ˈaʊt/	phrasal verb	It's frustrating when the students don't understand and you have to spell everything out for them.
spread the word	/ˌspred ðə ˈwɜː(r)d/	phrase	They are spreading the word on the need for healthy eating.
take somebody's word for it	/ˌteɪk sʌmbədiz ˈwɜː(r)d fə(r) ɪt/	phrase	Take my word for it. This is not going to be easy.
take something literally	/ˌteɪk sʌmθɪŋ ˈlɪt(ə)rəli/	phrase	Children take things literally when they hear them from a teacher.
talk at cross purposes	/ˌtɔːk ət ˌkrɒs ˈpɜː(r)pəʊzɪz/	phrase	Hold on, I think we may be talking at cross purposes. I think you've misunderstood.
talk down to	/ˌtɔːk ˈdaʊn tuː/	phrasal verb	Try not to talk down to your employees. They're not children.
tell off	/ˌtel ˈɒf/	phrasal verb	The teacher told me off for talking again today.

tinker (away)	/ˈtɪŋkə(r) əˌweɪ/	verb	Sylvia has nearly finished her assignment. She's been tinkering away at it for a few days.
turn to	/ˈtɜː(r)n tuː/	phrasal verb	Let's turn to more important matters now.
underpin	/ˌʌndə(r)'pɪn/	verb	These beliefs underpin our whole lives.
understand nuances	/ˌʌndə(r)'stænd 'njuːənsɪz/	phrase	A translator has to understand every nuance of what the speaker is saying.
utopian-minded	/juː'təʊpiən 'maɪndɪd/	adjective	He's very utopian-minded and believes in a perfect society.
words fail (me)	/ˌwɜː(r)dz 'feɪl miː/	phrase	I can't believe he did that. Words fail me.
(or) words to that effect	/ˌwɜː(r)dz tə ðæt ɪ'fekt/	phrase	He told me, 'Go away,' or words to that effect.
write off	/ˌraɪt 'ɒf/	phrasal verb	He thought the teachers had written him off as a failure.