

I get the message

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Words and phrases

Reading

7.01 at your fingertips

/ət jɔː 'fɪŋɡətɪps/ (idm)
easy to reach, use ♦ *When you're on the Internet you have all the information you need at your fingertips.*

7.02 rescue /'reskjʊː/ (v)

save from a dangerous situation
♦ *A man on the beach rescued my sister when she swam out too far and couldn't get back.* ► rescue (n), rescuer (n)

7.03 potential /pə'tenʃl/ (adj)

possible in the future ♦ *I'm meeting a potential client this afternoon. I'm pretty sure he wants to hire us.* ► potential (n)

7.04 effective /ɪ'fektɪv/ (adj)

having a good result ♦ *TV adverts are very effective because so many people see them.* ► effect (n), effectively (adv)

7.05 clearing /'kliəriŋ/ (n)

small area of land with nothing on it
♦ *We put up our tents in a clearing in the forest.* ► clear (adj, v)

7.06 soak /səʊk/ (v)

make completely wet ♦ *You need to soak that shirt for a couple of hours to get the mark out.*
► soaking (adj)

7.07 flash /flæʃ/ (n)

quick bright light ♦ *I saw a flash of light between the trees for a second but then it was dark again.* ► flash (v), flashing (adj)

7.08 word of caution

/ˌwɜːd əv 'kɔːʃn/ (phr)
short warning ♦ *A word of caution – hold onto your bag at all times because of thieves.* ► cautious (adj), caution (v)

7.09 spot /spɒt/ (v)

notice, see ♦ *We spotted a car parking space right outside the shop.*

7.10 gunfire /'ɡʌnfʌɪə(r)/ (n)

sound of guns firing ♦ *We heard gunfire in the bank and hid behind the car.*

7.11 pattern /'pætn/ (n)

regular arrangement of lines, shapes, colours, etc. ♦ *I love the flower pattern on your dress. It's really pretty.*

7.12 life-raft /'laɪf ˌrɑːft/ (n)

small boat carried for use in emergencies

7.13 fold /fəʊld/ (v)

bend sth to make it smaller or change its shape ♦ *I folded the newspaper and put it into my bag.*
► fold (n), folding (adj)

7.14 sufficient /sə'fɪʃnt/ (adj)

enough ♦ *I didn't spend sufficient time on this project and I could have done better.* ► sufficiency (n), sufficiently (adv)

7.15 convey /kən'veɪ/ (v)

pass information from one person to another ♦ *Please convey my thanks to your mother for a lovely evening last Friday.* ⓘ formal

7.16 widespread

/'wʌɪdspred/ (adj)
over a large area, not limited ♦ *The effect of the computer virus was widespread.*

Vocabulary

7.17 hayfever /'heɪfɪ:və(r)/ (n)

illness that affects the nose, eyes and throat caused by certain plants and flowers ♦ *I always get hayfever in August. My eyes go red and I sneeze all the time.*

7.18 theft /θeft/ (n)

stealing of an item ♦ *Fred Pearce was sent to prison for theft. He stole two diamond rings from a jeweller's.* ► thief (n),

7.19 nationwide /ˌneɪʃn'waɪd/ (adj)

happening all over the country
♦ *There has been a nationwide search for the men who robbed the train.*

7.20 crackdown /'krækdaʊn/ (n)

severe action taken to stop a crime or rule breaking ♦ *There's been a crackdown on lateness at our college this term. If we're late we have to have a very good reason.*

7.21 block /blɒk/ (v)

stop something moving through a pipe, passage, road, etc. ♦ *I lost my phone and the company has blocked it so no one can use it now.* ► blockage (n)

7.22 network /'netwɜːk/ (n)

system of roads, lines, tubes, etc. that are all connected ♦ *The computers all use the same network so they can communicate.*

7.23 handset /'hændset/ (n)
mobile phone ♦ *The company provided all its employees with the latest handsets.*

7.24 police custody
/pə'li:s 'kʌstədi/ (n unc)
the state of being held in a police station ♦ *He's been in police custody for ten hours now. They'll release him soon.* ► custodial (adj)

7.25 convict /kən'vɪkt/ (v)
find guilty ♦ *The police think he did the crime but they can't prove it so he'll never be convicted.*
► convict (n), convicted (adj), conviction (n)

7.26 fine /faɪn/ (v)
make sb pay money as a punishment ♦ *He didn't go to prison. He was fined instead.*
► fine (n)

7.27 postmark /'pəʊstmɑ:k/ (n)
mark on an envelope that shows when and where it was posted.

7.28 collide with /kə'laid wɪð/ (v)
accidentally hit ♦ *Tina collided with the teacher as they were leaving the classroom.* ► collision (n)

7.29 ransom /'rænsəm/ (n)
money demanded by sb to set free a person who is being held illegally ♦ *The police advised the businessman's family not to pay the ransom.* ► ransom (v)

Listening

7.30 demonstration
/ˌdemən'streɪʃn/ (n)
showing others how sth works
♦ *In our swimming class today we watched a demonstration of life-saving.* ► demonstrate (v), demonstrative (adj)

7.31 be at a loose end
/bi: ət ə 'lu:s 'end/ (idm)
having nothing special to do ♦ *I'm at a loose end. I'll help you clean the car if you like.*

7.32 a bite to eat
/ə 'baɪt tu 'i:t/ (phr)
small meal ♦ *Why don't we go for a bite to eat after the cinema. You know you'll be hungry by then.*

7.33 swallow /'swɒləʊ/ (v)
Here: cover up, hide ♦ *He walked away from me and was quickly swallowed up by the darkness.*
Usually: take into your stomach from your mouth ► swallow (n)

7.34 swear /sweə(r)/ (v)
be very sure ♦ *I swear I left my bag in the car. Someone must have taken it.* ► swearing (n)
① irregular: swore, sworn

Use of English

7.35 forward /'fɔ:wəd/ (v)
send on goods or information to sb else ♦ *I forwarded Helen's reply to everyone in the office.*

7.36 stinging /'stɪŋɪŋ/ (adj)
severe and strongly expressed
♦ *The journalist got a stinging response to his question about the politician's private life.*

7.37 resulting /rɪ'zʌltɪŋ/ (adj)
happening because of ♦ *Irina Ivanova gave a superb performance at the opera house. The resulting fame made the singer a big celebrity all over the world.*
► result (n)

7.38 publicity /pʌb'lɪsəti/ (n unc)
attention given to sb/sth by the media ♦ *There was a lot of publicity about the young boy who disappeared but no one gave the police any positive information.*
► public (adj), publicise (v), publicist (n)

Writing

7.39 up to date /ˌʌp tə 'deɪt/ (adj)
modern, fashionable, having the most recent information ♦ *I'm quite up to date with the latest technology because my brother gets a lot of computer magazines.* ► out of date

7.40 mate /meɪt/ (n)
friend ♦ *Bob was my best mate at school but now we never see each other!* informal

Review

7.41 connection /kə'nekʃn/ (n)
a train, bus or plane that is timed to take you on another part of a journey quite soon after the first ♦ *I hope this train isn't delayed because my connection leaves in half an hour.* ► connect (v)

7.42 gravity /'grævəti/ (n unc)
force that holds things on the earth ♦ *There is no gravity in space and astronauts float through the air inside their spaceships!*

7.43 approximately
/ə'prɒksɪmətli/ (adv)
about, not exactly ♦ *Gemma lives approximately five kilometres outside town but I'm not sure of the exact distance.* ► approximate (adj, v), approximation (n)

Workbook

Reading

7.44 patent /'pɛtənt/ (n)
official right to make, use or sell a product or an invention ♦ *The company didn't have the patent for that type of machine so they had to pay a lot of money to use the design.* ► patent (v), patently (adv)

7.45 rights /raɪts/ (n pl)
legal ownership of sth ♦ *Who has the rights to this song – the person who wrote the lyrics or the music?* ► right (adj), rightly (adv), righteous (adj)

7.46 combat /'kɒmbæt/ (v)
fight ♦ *You have to combat tiredness when you work long hours.* ► combat (n), combatant (n)

7.47 disability /,dɪsə'bɪləti/ (n)
sth wrong with your body that makes you unable to do certain things ♦ *Because of his disability he wasn't allowed to work with machines.* ► disabled (adj), disable (v)

7.48 printing press
/'prɪntɪŋ ,pres/ (n)
machine that copies pages for books and newspapers

7.49 time-consuming /'taɪm kən,sju:mɪŋ/ (adj)
taking a long time ♦ *This translation has been very time-consuming because I've had to check so many words in the dictionary.*

7.50 inferior /ɪn'fɪəriə(r)/ (adj)
not as good as ♦ *The engine in these cars is inferior to their previous model and won't last as long.* ► inferiority (n)

7.51 wages /'weɪdʒɪz/ (n pl)
salary paid every week, often in cash

7.52 institution /,ɪnstɪ'tju:ʃn/ (n)
Here: building for people with special needs ♦ *A long time ago children with no parents had to live their whole lives in an institution. Today most are looked after by caring families.* Usually: large important organisation that has a particular purpose, e.g. a university or a bank ► institute (n, v), institutionalise (v)

7.53 code /kəʊd/ (n)
special series of letters, numbers or symbols that represent a message or record information secretly or in a shorter form ♦ *In the war they used codes to send information so that the enemy couldn't understand.* ► decode (v)

7.54 battlefield /'bætlfi:ld/ (n)
where soldiers fight in a war

7.55 dot /dɒt/ (n)
small round mark, especially one that is printed ♦ *Magazine pictures are made up of thousands of tiny dots.* ► dot (v), dotted (adj),

7.56 tool /tu:l/ (n)
instrument used to build or mend things ♦ *I'm afraid I can't repair this machine without the right tools.*

7.57 portrait /'pɔ:treɪt/ (n)
painting, drawing or photograph of a person, especially just of the head and shoulders ♦ *Jackie's parents have a portrait of her grandmother in the hall.*

7.58 passion /'pæʃn/ (n)
strong desire ♦ *Barbara has a passion for chocolates! She can't leave them alone!* ► passionate (adj)

7.59 telegraph wire
/'telɪgrɑ:f ,waɪə(r)/ (n)
the first phone messages travelled through this ♦ *You used to be able to see telegraph wires stretching across the countryside from tall poles.*

7.60 encircle /ɪn'sɜ:kl/ (v)
go completely around ♦ *A high wall encircled the celebrity's house so that no one could see in.* ► circle (n, v), circular (adj)

7.61 ownership /'əʊnəʃɪp/ (n)
fact of owning sth ♦ *Who has ownership of this property? You or the company?* ► owner (n), own (adj, v)

Vocabulary

7.62 deputy /'depjuti/ (n)
person who is the next most important person after the leader, manager, etc. ♦

7.63 blink /blɪŋk/ (v)
automatically close and open your eyes very quickly ♦ *It's very difficult not to blink for over ten seconds.* ► blink (n)

7.64 click your fingers
/ˌklɪk jɔ: 'fɪŋgəz/ (phr)
rub a finger and thumb together hard to make a short sharp sound ♦ *It's very rude to click your fingers when you want to attract the attention of a waiter.*

7.65 duck /dʌk/ (v)
bend quickly to avoid sth ♦ *My brother threw a stone at me but I ducked and it hit the wall.*

7.66 shiver /'ʃɪvə(r)/ (v)
shake a little because you are cold or frightened ♦ *When Sandy opened the window I shivered because there was a cold rush of air.* ► shiver (n)

7.67 sigh /saɪ/ (v)
breathe out heavily because you are bored, tired or annoyed ♦ *When Rita saw the amount of work she had to do she sighed.* ► sigh (n)

7.68 stamp /stæmp/ (v)
hit the ground loudly with one foot ♦ *My little brother sometimes stamps his feet if he can't get what he wants.* ► stamp (n)

Grammar

7.69 fort /fɔ:t/ (n)

strongly built, military building to protect soldiers against the enemy
♦ *The soldiers attacked the fort but they couldn't get inside.*

7.70 script /skript/ (n)

Here: set of letters in which a language is written ♦ *In Russia they use a completely different script to us. Usually: written text of a play or film ► script (v), scripted (adj)*

7.71 ancient /'eɪnʃnt/ (adj)

extremely old ♦ *Winchester is an ancient town and used to be the capital of England.*

7.72 monument /'mɒnjumənt/ (n)

building, statue etc. built to remember an event or a person, a building of special historical importance ♦ *The monument in Trafalgar Square in London was built to remember Lord Nelson, who won the battle of Trafalgar.*
► monumental (adj)

7.73 decipher /dr'saɪfə(r)/ (v)

read and understand sth that is difficult ♦ *Sometimes it's hard to decipher the doctor's handwriting.*

7.74 mussel /'mʌsl/ (n)

edible shellfish with a smooth black shell

7.75 dinosaur /'daɪnəsɔ:(r)/ (n)

very large animal that used to live on the land millions of years ago

7.76 impact /'ɪmpækt/ (n)

effect sth or sb has on sb/sth else
♦ *When the car hit us the impact threw me forward in my seat.*

Listening

7.77 swap /swɒp/ (v)

exchange ♦ *I met some really nice people on holiday and we swapped phone numbers. I think we'll keep in touch.* ► swap (n)

Use of English

7.78 claw /klɔ:/ (n)

long, sharp nail of an animal like a cat or dog ♦ *The cat's claws have torn our new sofa!* ► claw (v)

7.79 hoof /hu:f/ (n)

hard part of the foot of a horse, cow, etc.

7.80 charge /tʃɑ:dʒ/ (v)

ask money for a service ♦ *How much did they charge you to check the car's brakes?* ► charge (n)

7.81 purchase /'pɜ:tʃəs/ (v)

buy ♦ *We purchased this TV from you two months ago for £600 and it's gone wrong already.* ► purchase (n), purchaser (n) ⓘ formal

7.82 sensational /sen'seɪʃənl/ (adj)

causing great surprise, excitement or interest ♦ *The improvement in the England football team has been sensational over the last six months! They're winning every match these days.* ► sensation (n)

7.83 senseless /'sensləs/ (adj)

having no reason, ridiculous ♦ *Jack and Katy had a senseless argument over who was going to cook the dinner.* ► sense (n)

7.84 subtract /səb'trækt/ (v)

take one number away from another ♦ *Subtract two from five and you've got three.* ► subtraction (n)

7.85 divide /dr'vaɪd/ (v)

find how many times one number can go into another ♦ *Nine divided by three is three.* ► division (n), divisible (by) (adj)

7.86 clue /klu:/ (n)

sth that helps you find an answer or solve a problem ♦ *I don't know the answer. Give me a clue!*

7.87 admission /əd'mɪʃn/ (n)

entry into a concert, club or cinema, etc. ♦ *Admission to the museum is free for students.*
► admit (v)

7.88 prove /pru:v/ (v)

use facts to show that sth happened ♦ *The teacher can't prove that Andy cheated in the exam, but she thinks he did.* ► proof (n)