

What's so funny?

3

Words and phrases

Lead in

3.01 cartoon /kɑː'tu:n/ (n)
film made from a series of pictures
♦ *Children love cartoons with talking animals in them.*

3.02 camcorder /'kæmkɔːdə(r)/ (n)
machine that you can use to take video films

3.03 clip /klɪp/ (n)
short piece of film ♦ *Did you see that clip on the news about our school?* ► clip (v)

3.04 sitcom /'sɪtkɒm/ (n)
regular TV comedy programme with the same people each week in a different story ♦ *'Friends' was one of the most famous sitcoms ever! I watched every one.*

3.05 sense of humour
/ˌsens əv 'hju:mə(r)/ (phr)
ability to appreciate funny situations ♦ *I could never marry somebody who doesn't have a good sense of humour. Life would be so dull!*

Reading

3.06 printable /'prɪntəbl/ (adj)
not too rude to be printed in a magazine or newspaper ♦ *Do you know any printable jokes that we can put in the school magazine?* ► unprintable (adj), print (n, v)

3.07 ratings /'reɪtɪŋz/ (n pl)
measurement of how good or popular sth is ♦ *The new sitcom is high in the ratings this week. A lot of people love it.* ► rate (v), rated (adj)

3.08 exhaustive /ɪg'zɔːstɪv/ (adj)
very thorough, having done everything possible ♦ *The police carried out an exhaustive search of the area for the missing child.* ► exhaust (v), exhausted (adj)

3.09 breakdown /'breɪkdaʊn/ (n)
Here: detailed information from analysing a set of figures ♦ *This report includes a breakdown of how much each improvement to the office would cost.* Usually: when a vehicle stops and cannot be driven

3.10 brain scan /'breɪn ˌskæn/ (n)
medical test that films the brain working ♦ *Luckily the brain scan didn't show any problems.*

3.11 experiment /ɪk'sperɪmənt/ (n)
test to learn sth new ♦ *An experiment on monkeys' memory showed that some were better than humans!* ► experiment (on) (v), experimental (adj)

3.12 set up /ˌset 'ʌp/ (phr v)
organise, start ♦ *A group of film stars set up a charity to help young people in this area.*

3.13 establish /ɪ'stæblɪʃ/ (v)
Here: show ♦ *The report established that most people were happy with the new shopping mall.* Usually: start ♦ *The business was established in 2007.* ► establishment (n)

3.14 play on words
/ˌpleɪ ɒn 'wɜːdz/ (phr)
making a joke by using a word that has two meanings ♦

3.15 taste for /'teɪst fə(r)/ (n)
preference, liking ♦ *My gran has a taste for romantic films. She likes a*

good cry! ► taste (v), tasteful (adj), tasty (adj)

3.16 surreal /sə'reɪəl/ (adj)
strange, dreamlike ♦ *John's paintings are very surreal. It's like looking at a dream.* ► surrealist (n), surrealism (n)

3.17 founder /'faʊndə(r)/ (n)
person who started an organisation ♦ *Ken Ripley, the founder of the business, was born in 1802.*

3.18 trapped /træpt/ (adj)
unable to escape ♦ *Did you read about the man who was trapped in his car for sixteen hours? He couldn't unlock the doors!* ► trap (n, v)

3.19 climax /'klaɪmæks/ (n)
the most exciting or important event ♦ *The climax of the film was when the hero jumped out of the plane.* ► climax (v), climactic (adj)

3.20 unveil /ˌʌn'veɪl/ (v)
uncover, reveal, show sth that was hidden ♦ *They are going to unveil the winner of the award on TV tonight.*

3.21 appeal to /ə'prɪˌl tuː, tə/ (v)
be popular with ♦ *Brad Pitt's new film will appeal to people who have seen the previous two films in the series.* ► appeal (n), appealing (adj)

3.22 contain /kən'teɪn/ (v)
have inside or as part of
♦ *The guide book contains some useful information about good restaurants.* ► containment (n)

3.23 element /'elɪmənt/ (n)
important thing needed to create or build sth ♦ *One of the elements of a good short story is a surprise ending.* ► elementary (adj)

3.24 central to

/ˈsentrəl ˌtuː, tə/ (adj)

most important for ♦ *Having low unemployment is central to a strong economy.* ► centre (n)

3.25 mortality /mɔːˈtæləti/ (n)

the fact that we will die ♦ *As you get older you become more aware of your own mortality.* ► mortal (n, adj), immortal (adj), immortalise (v), immortality (n)

3.26 woods /wʊdz/ (n pl)

small area of trees ♦ *My mum never let me walk through the woods alone when I was young.*

3.27 roll back /ˌrəʊl ˈbæk/ (v)

look upwards when unconscious or asleep ♦ *He fell on the ground and his eyes rolled back. I thought he was dead.*

3.28 whip out /ˌwɪp ˈaʊt/ (v)

take out quickly ♦ *After the meal Sandy whipped out his money before I could pay.*

3.29 gasp /gɑːsp/ (v)

speak with difficulty ♦ *After the race Gary gasped that he needed a drink badly.* ► gasp (n), gasping (adj)

3.30 soothing /ˈsuːðɪŋ/ (adj)

calming ♦ *When I'm stressed I listen to some soothing music and I usually calm down quickly.*

► soothe (v)

3.31 take it easy

/ˌteɪk ɪt ˈiːzi/ (phr)

not get too worried or angry, relax ♦ *Don't worry about finishing the work now. Take it easy. You can do it later.*

3.32 shot /ʃɒt/ (n)

sound of a gun ♦ *We heard two shots and one of the men fell down. He was dead!* ► shoot (v)

3.33 line /laɪn/ (n)

telephone connection ♦ *Paul, Mr. Grant is on the line. Do you want to speak to him?*

3.34 remind /rɪˈmaɪnd/ (v)

make sb remember sth

♦ *Advertisements on TV remind people that it's dangerous to drive too fast.* ► reminder (n)

3.35 specific /spəˈsɪfɪk/ (adj)

particular ♦ *The government has chosen specific towns to receive extra money for public transport.* ► specification (n), specify (v)

3.36 fit in with /ˌfɪt ˈɪn wɪð/ (phr v)

support ♦ *These results fit in with the idea that the climate is definitely changing quickly.*

3.37 damage /ˈdæmɪdʒ/ (n unc)

bad result or effect of sth ♦ *When the other car crashed into us there was a lot of damage to our car. It cost four hundred pounds to repair.* ► damage (v), damaging (adj), damaged (adj)

3.38 submit /səbˈmɪt/ (v)

send as part of a competition or survey ♦ *I submitted a short story for the competition but I didn't win.* ► submission (n), submissive (adj)

3.39 candidate /ˈkændɪdət/ (n)

Here: a person or thing that is considered suitable for sth ♦ *I think my candidate for the best song ever would be something by The Rolling Stones.*

3.40 reference /ˈrefrəns/ (n)

comment related to sth ♦ *In his speech there was a reference to the excellence of his staff.* ► refer (v)

3.41 mention /ˈmenʃn/ (v)

talk about ♦ *Did he mention his holiday when he was talking to you?* ► mention (n)

3.42 implication /ˌɪmplɪˈkeɪʃn/ (n)

what we can understand from sth although it is not said directly ♦ *The implication of the new rules is that people were spending too long on personal phonecalls.* ► imply (v), implicate (v)

3.43 analysis /əˈnæləsɪs/ (n)

study of sth in detail ♦ *An analysis of the test results will show whether the new medicine is working or not.* ► analyse (v), analytical (adj)

3.44 reveal /rɪˈviːl/ (v)

show ♦ *The statistics reveal an increase in the number of students at university.* ► revelation (n)

3.45 beak /biːk/ (n)

hard mouth of a bird ♦ *The bird used its beak to pick up the bread.*

3.46 webbed feet /ˌwebd ˈfi:t/ (n)

feet with pieces of skin between the toes to make swimming easier

3.47 chuckle /ˈtʃʌkl/ (v)

laugh softly to yourself ♦ *My dad chuckled when he read the message I'd written in his birthday card.* ► chuckle (n)

Vocabulary

3.48 spotless /ˈspɒtləs/ (adj)

very clean ♦ *She cleaned the car before she returned it to me. It was spotless.* ► spot (n), spot (v), spotted (adj)

Grammar

3.49 fire brigade

/ˈfaɪə brɪˌgeɪd/ (n)

service that puts out fires ♦ *When there was a fire in the kitchen we called the fire brigade – they were wonderful!*

Listening

3.50 embarrassed

/ɪmˈbærəst/ (adj)

shy, awkward or ashamed, especially in a social situation ♦ *I was really embarrassed when I dropped my shopping all over the pavement.* ► embarrassment (n unc), embarrass (v)

3.51 graveyard /'grɛvja:d/ (n)
place where people are buried
under the ground.

3.52 gravestone /'grɛvstəʊn/ (n)
special stone to mark where a
dead person is buried.

3.53 tortoise /'tɔ:təs/ (n)
very slow animal with a hard,
thick shell and four short legs

3.54 snail /sneɪl/ (n)
very slow, small animal with a
hard, round shell and no legs
♦ *Birds sometimes eat the snails in
my garden.*

3.55 security /sɪ'kjʊərəti/ (n unc)
protection, usually for a place ♦ *The
security at the offices is very good.
No one can get in without a special
pass.* ► secure (adj), secure (v)

3.56 injury /'ɪndʒəri/ (n)
sth wrong with your body after an
accident ♦ *Michael Owen didn't
play many matches last year
because of injuries.* ► injure (v),
injured (adj)

3.57 fire /'faɪə(r)/ (v)
shoot a bullet from a gun ♦ *The
bank robber fired at the policeman
and killed him.*

3.58 burst of laughter
/bɜ:st əv 'lɑ:ftə(r)/ (n)
sudden laughing ♦ *There was
a burst of laughter when the
comedian made a joke.* ► burst (v)

3.59 thump /θʌmp/ (v)
make a loud, heavy noise ♦ *I could
feel my heart thumping when
they were about to announce the
winner.* ► thump (n)

3.60 audition /ɔ:'dɪʃn/ (n)
give a short performance to try to
get a part in a play or film, etc.
♦ *I did a terrible audition for the
school play. I forgot everything!*
► audition (v)

3.61 alley /'æli/ (n)
small road between buildings

3.62 mug /mʌg/ (v)
attack sb in the street to steal sth
from them ♦ *The blond man mugged
the old woman and stole her bag.*

3.63 residence /'rezɪdəns/ (n)
place where sb important lives
♦ *The summer residence of the
queen is in the countryside.*
► reside (v), resident (n)

3.64 incident /'ɪnsɪdənt/ (n)
event ♦ *The teacher wants to talk
to us about the incident on the
football pitch when Dan was hurt.*
► incidentally (adv), incidence (n),
incidental (adj)

3.65 CV /,si: 'vi:/ (n)
list of your qualifications and
experience that you send when
you're looking for a job

3.66 rival /'raɪvl/ (n)
competitor, sb you want to beat
♦ *The new driver's main rivals for
the championship will be the Ferrari
team.* ► rival (adj, v), rivalry (n)

3.67 constitute /'kɒnstɪtju:t/ (v)
be considered to be, be part of
♦ *I'm sorry, but in my opinion an
inability to increase our profits by
at least 10% constitutes a failure.*
► constitution (n)

3.68 giggle /'gɪgl/ (v)
laugh in a high voice ♦ *The
children giggled when they saw
their father dressed up as a clown.*

3.69 grunt /grʌnt/ (n)
sound made in the throat like a pig
► grunt (v)

3.70 snort /snɔ:t/ (n)
sound made through the nose like
a pig ► snort (v)

3.71 foggy /'fɒgi/ (adj)
weather when you can't see very
clearly due to a thick cloud of
very small drops of water ♦ *This
morning it was so foggy I couldn't
see the trees on the pavement.*
► fog (n)

3.72 corpse /kɔ:ps/ (n)
dead body ♦ *The doctors studied
the corpse to find out why the
person died.*

3.73 unmissable /ʌn'mɪsəbl/ (adj)
so good that you must watch it
♦ *The new Madonna movie is
unmissable. She's superb.*
► missable (adj), miss (v), missing
(adj)

3.74 have got the makings of
/həv ˌgɒt ðə 'meɪkɪŋz əv/ (idm)
have got the right talents, abilities
to be ♦ *With her looks and talent
she's got the makings of a pop star.*

Speaking

3.75 clown /klaʊn/ (n)
person who dresses in colourful
clothes, make-up and funny hair
to make people laugh. ♦ *A clown
performed at my sister's birthday
party.*

3.76 circus /'sɜ:kəs/ (n)
traditional entertainment with
clowns and acrobats in a big
tent. ♦ *Children love going to the
circus. The music is loud and the
atmosphere is very exciting.*

3.77 hilarious /hɪ'leəriəs/ (adj)
very funny ♦ *The new comedy
series on Channel 4 is hilarious. I
laughed all the way through.*
► hilarity (n unc)

3.78 give it a go
/ˌɡɪv ɪt ə 'ɡəʊ/ (idm)
try sth ♦ *I don't know if I'll be any
good at cricket, but I'll give it a go.*

Use of English

3.79 humorous /'hju:mərəs/ (adj)
funny, making you laugh ♦ *They
say this book is very funny but I
don't find it very humorous.*
► humour (n, v)

3.80 rebellious /rɪ'beljəs/ (adj)
not willing to obey rules or accept
normal standards of behaviour
♦ *I was very rebellious when I was
a teenager and refused to do what
my parents wanted.* ► rebel (n, v)

3.81 risk-taking /'risk ,teɪkɪŋ/ (adj)
wanting to do things that are quite difficult or dangerous ♦ *My older sister is quite risk-taking – she just left a good job to go travelling for two years.*

3.82 unconventional
/ˌʌnkən'venʃənəl/ (adj)
not the same as everyone else, doing things differently ♦ *Our new teacher is quite unconventional. He lets us sit on the floor or on each other's desks if we want to!*
► conventional (adj), convention (n)

3.83 role /rəʊl/ (n)
part in a play or in a situation
♦ *Bess often takes on the role of big sister when we're talking.*

3.84 compile /kəm'paɪl/ (v)
put things together to make a list, / report, etc. ♦ *I've compiled a list of all students who want to go to London for the day.* ► compilation (n)

3.85 tie in with /ˌtaɪ 'm ,wɪð/ (phr v)
have a link with ♦ *The results from our survey tie in with the results from schools in other areas. We've all found the same thing.*

3.86 sole /səʊl/ (adj)
only ♦ *William Barnes was the sole survivor of the air crash in the mountains. They found him two days later.* ► solitary (adj), solitude (n)

3.87 saying /'seɪɪŋ/ (n)
traditional phrase or sentence about a situation ♦ *My grandmother has a lot of sayings that she really believes! Like – never put off till tomorrow what you can do today!*

3.88 findings /'faɪndɪŋz/ (n pl)
the results of research or surveys

3.89 intend /ɪn'tend/ (v)
plan, want to ♦ *I intend to go to a lots of art galleries while I'm in Paris.*
► intention (n), intentional (adj)

3.90 extend /ɪk'stend/ (v)
make sth longer ♦ *We're going to extend the kitchen by two metres.*
► extension (n)

Vocabulary

3.91 overthrow /ˌəʊvə'θrəʊ/ (v)
replace by force ♦ *The government was overthrown by a group of rebels.*

3.92 shortage /'ʃɔ:tɪdʒ/ (n)
not enough of sth ♦ *There's been a water shortage this summer because of the hot weather.* ► short (adj), shorten (v)

3.93 vandalise /'vændəlaɪz/ (v)
damage sth for fun ♦ *Our car was vandalised last night. The windows were broken and there was white paint all over it.* ► vandal (n), vandalism (n)

3.94 suppress /sə'pres/ (v)
stop sth like an attack or strong desire ♦ *The government has suppressed all attempts to change the law on hunting with dogs.*
► suppression (n),

3.95 humiliate /hju:'mɪliet/ (v)
make sb look silly ♦ *Good teachers don't humiliate students in front of their friends.* ► humiliation (n)

3.96 messy /'mesi/ (adj)
untidy ♦ *My sister's really messy. You can never find anything in her room!* ► mess (n)

3.97 proper /'prɒpə(r)/ (adj)
right, correct ♦ *Can you put the cups in the proper cupboard this time? Last week I couldn't find them!*

Writing

3.98 panic /'pænik/ (v)
do things without thinking because you're worried ♦ *I panicked when I saw I was going to be late and forgot all the important papers.*
► panic (n)

3.99 blind /blaɪnd/ (adj)
unable to see ♦ *There's an operation now that can help blind people see again.* ► blind (v), blindness (n)

3.100 guide dog /'gaɪd ,dɒg/ (n)
dog that leads a blind person

3.101 aisle /aɪl/ (n)
space between rows of seats in a cinema, church or plane.

3.102 stretch your legs
/ˌstreɪtʃ jɔ: 'legz/ (phr)
go for a walk after sitting for a long time

3.103 terminal building /'tɜ:mɪnəl ,bɪldɪŋ/ (n)
place at an airport where people arrive and leave

3.104 lorry /'lɒri/ (n)
large vehicle that carries heavy objects

3.105 parcel /'pɑ:sl/ (n)
object or box that is wrapped and often comes through the post
♦ *Mick received two large parcels from his aunt in Australia on his birthday.*

Review

3.106 optimistic /ɒptɪ'mɪstɪk/ (adj)
thinking good things are going to happen ♦ *I'm optimistic about my results. I think they're going to be good!* ► optimism (n unc), optimist (n)

3.107 freezing /'fri:zɪŋ/ (adj)
very cold ♦ *It's freezing in here. Can you turn on the fire?* ► freeze (v), frozen (adj), freezer (n)

3.108 impersonal
/ɪm'pɜ:sənəl/ (adj)
not very friendly or showing an interest in individuals ♦ *The letter from the company was very impersonal and didn't encourage me to want to work there.*

3.109 incorporate /ɪn'kɔ:pəreɪt/ (v)
include as part of sth ♦ *The report incorporated a lot of our ideas.*

3.110 multiply /'mʌltɪplaɪ/ (v)
increase by a certain amount
♦ *Multiply two by four and you get eight.* ► multiplication (n), multiple (adj)

Workbook

Reading

3.111 session /'seʃn/ (n)

length of time spent doing an activity ♦ *The course is divided into two-hour sessions.*

3.112 treatment /'tri:tment/ (n)

way to cure or help a medical problem ♦ *The treatment involved taking pills and doing more exercise.*
► treat (n, v), treatable (adj)

3.113 tongue /tʌŋ/ (n)

soft, moving organ in the mouth that helps us speak

3.114 reluctant /rɪ'lʌktənt/ (adj)

not enthusiastic about doing sth
♦ *I was reluctant to play tennis yesterday because I was very tired.*
► reluctance (n), reluctantly (adv)

3.115 surrounded by

/sə'raʊndɪd baɪ/ (adj)
having certain things or people around you ♦ *The singer was surrounded by fans when he came out of the studio.* ► surround (v), surroundings (n pl)

3.116 nursery rhyme

/'nɜ:səri 'raɪm/ (n)
poem with a strong rhythm read to young children

3.117 inhibition /,ɪnhɪ'bɪʃn/ (n)

shy or nervous feelings that prevent us from doing things we might want to ♦ *His inhibitions prevented him from acting in the school play.* ► inhibit (v), inhibiting (adj)

3.118 stimulate /'stɪmjuleɪt/ (v)

make sth grow stronger
♦ *Stories can stimulate children's imaginations.* ► stimulation (n), stimulating (adj)

3.119 defence /drɪ'fens/ (n)

sth that protects a person or place
♦ *The town's sea defences protect it from flooding when there are bad storms.* ► defend (v), defenceless (adj), defensive (adj)

3.120 reduce /rɪ'dju:s/ (v)

make smaller ♦ *My dad left his job because the boss reduced his salary.*
► reduction (n)

3.121 recovery /rɪ'kʌvəri/ (n)

process of getting better after an illness or injury ♦ *His recovery will be complete in two or three days.*
► recover (v)

3.122 at the forefront

/ət ðə 'fɔ:frʌnt/ (idm)
sth or sb that leads the way for sth new ♦ *This band is at the forefront of a completely new trend in music.*

3.123 integral /'ɪntɪgrəl/ (adj)

being an essential part of sth that cannot be separated from the whole thing ♦ *Healthy meals are an integral part of the hospital service.* ► integrate (v), integration (n)

3.124 spread to

/'spred ,tu:, tə/ (v)
cover a larger and larger area
♦ *The illness has now spread to farms on the other side of the city.*

3.125 consultant /kən'sʌltənt/ (n)

person who is an expert on a subject and often asked for advice ♦ *We went to see a consultant about our son's unusual bone problem.* ► consult (v), consultation (n)

3.126 chest /tʃest/ (n)

upper part of the body around the heart and lungs

3.127 expression /ɪk'spreʃn/ (n)

way of showing an emotion or feeling ♦ *I knew by his expression that he was angry with me!*
► express (v), expressive (adj)

3.128 look into /'lʊk ,ɪntə/ (phr v)

find out about ♦ *Scientists are looking into new ways of recycling our rubbish.*

3.129 side-effect /'saɪd ɪ'fekt/ (n)

unwanted extra result of sth such as medicine ♦ *He stopped taking the pills because there were too many side-effects. He had headaches all the time.*

3.130 immune system

/ɪ'mju:n ,sɪstəm/ (n)
the body's natural defence against illness ♦ *Her immune system was very low because she was tired and she caught a bad cold.*

3.131 boost /bu:st/ (v)

make stronger ♦ *Their new CD boosted the band's popularity a lot.*
► boost (n)

3.132 maintain /meɪn'teɪn/ (v)

keep ♦ *Manchester United have maintained their lead in the competition with a win at Arsenal.*
► maintenance (n)

3.133 excruciatingly /

ɪk'skru:ʃɪetɪŋli/ (adv)
very painfully ♦ *The play was excruciatingly boring and we left after half an hour.* ► excruciating (adj)

3.134 gag /gæg/ (n)

joke ♦ *The comedian told lots of gags but no one laughed.*
① informal

3.135 simulated /'sɪmjuleɪtɪd/ (adj)

pretend, giving the appearance of reality ♦ *Simulated fur is an obvious alternative to using real animal skins in clothing.*
► simulate (v), simulation (n)

3.136 circulation /,sɜ:kjə'leɪʃn/ (n)

movement of blood around the body ► circulate (v), circle (n)

3.137 pioneer /,paɪə'nɪə(r)/ (n)

person who does sth new for the first time ♦ *Bell was a pioneer in telecommunications.* ► pioneer (v), pioneering (adj)

3.138 cheer up /tʃɪər 'ʌp/ (phr v)

make happier ♦ *Bill tried to cheer me up this morning but I was still upset about losing our dog yesterday.*

3.139 wig /wɪɡ/ (n)

false hair ♦ *The Prime Minister wears a wig because he lost all his hair when he was quite young.*

3.140 angel /'eɪndʒl/ (n)

imaginary or religious being that does good things ♦ *There's a statue of an angel in the graveyard. It's beautiful.* ► angelic (adj)

3.141 wing /wɪŋ/ (n)
the part of the body that birds use to fly ♦ *The eagle flapped its wings and swooped to the ground.*

Vocabulary

3.142 exaggerate /ɪɡˈzædʒəreɪt/ (v)
make sth seem bigger or more important than it really is ♦ *His story about the terrible journey they had was exaggerated. It wasn't that bad at all!* ► exaggeration (n)

3.143 election /ɪˈlekʃn/ (n)
when people choose sth or sb by voting ♦ *The election for a new leader happened yesterday. Mark Holmes won.* ► elect (v), electorate (n)

Grammar

3.144 run up against
/ˌrʌn ˈʌp əˌɡenst/ (phr v)
face sth difficult ♦ *The council ran up against a lot of opposition when they decided to build a big block of flats in the park.*

3.145 blame /bleɪm/ (v)
say sth is another person's fault ♦ *My mum blames me for everything my brother does. It's not fair!* ► blame (n)

3.146 press conference
/ˈpres ˌkɒnfərəns/ (n)
organised meeting to inform the media of sth ♦ *Liverpool football club have arranged a press conference to announce the appointment of a new manager.*

3.147 announce /əˈnaʊns/ (v)
say sth so that many people can hear it ♦ *At the station they announced that all trains to London were delayed.* ► announcement (n), announcer (n)

3.148 respond /rɪˈspɒnd/ (v)
react, do sth as a result of sth ♦ *He responded to the news of his bad exam results by phoning the school immediately.* ► response (n), respondent (n)

Listening

3.149 suspect /ˈsʌspekt/ (n)
person police think may have done sth wrong ♦ *The policeman is interviewing the suspect at the police station.* ► suspect (v), suspicious (adj), suspicion (n)

3.150 shop-lifting /ˈʃɒp ˌlɪftɪŋ/ (n)
stealing things from shops

3.151 disgusting /dɪsˈɡʌstɪŋ/ (adj)
horrible to look at, smell or taste ♦ *I can't eat that meal. It's disgusting!* ► disgust (n, v)

3.152 melody /ˈmelədi/ (n)
tune, music that goes with words to make a song ♦ *It's a pretty melody but I can't play it.* ► melodious (adj)

3.153 chapter /ˈtʃæptə(r)/ (n)
one of many sections that a book is divided into ♦ *In the first chapter two men are murdered on the bridge.*

3.154 puzzled /ˈpʌzld/ (adj)
confused ♦ *I was puzzled by the message Brian left me. I've no idea what he meant.* ► puzzle (n, v)

3.155 significant
/sɪɡˈnɪfɪkənt/ (adj)
important enough to make a difference ♦ *The students have made a significant amount of progress this term. I'm really pleased.* ► significance (n unc)

3.156 era /ˈɪərə/ (n)
special time, period ♦ *I love the 1920s era. The music, fashion and dancing all made it very special.*

3.157 soundtrack /ˈsaʊndtræk/ (n)
the music that goes with a film

3.158 anticipate /ænˈtɪsɪpeɪt/ (v)
expect sth ♦ *The forecasters anticipated snow but not this much!* ► anticipation (n)

3.159 construct /kənˈstrʌkt/ (v)
build ♦ *The new houses were constructed entirely of wood.* ► construction (n), constructive (adj)

3.160 overshadow
/ˌəʊvəˈʃædəʊ/ (v)
take importance away from other things or people ♦ *She was a brilliant dancer but her achievements were overshadowed by those of her elder sister.*

3.161 venue /ˈvenju:/ (n)
place for an event ♦ *The venue for the open air festival will be the gardens of Manor Farm House.*

3.162 tropical /ˈtrɒpɪkl/ (adj)
of a hot and wet country ♦ *I would love to go on holiday to a tropical island with white beaches and blue sea!* ► tropic (n)

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3.163 unwitting /ʌn'wɪtɪŋ/ (adj)
not intended ♦ *Jess was the unwitting cause of Harry's illness. She passed her cold on to him.*

3.164 thrill-seeker
/'θrɪl ,si:kə(r)/ (n)
person looking for excitement

3.165 blast off /,blɑ:st 'ɒf/ (phr v)
leave Earth suddenly (as in a rocket)

3.166 elaborate /ɪ'læbəreɪt/ (adj)
very complicated ♦ *He told us all about his adventure in elaborate detail.* ► elaborate (v), elaboration (n)

3.167 hoax /həʊks/ (n)
big practical joke ♦ *Someone phoned to say there was a bomb in the school but it was just a hoax.*

3.168 contestant /kən'testənt/ (n)
person who takes part in a competition ♦ *There were ten contestants in the TV quiz. Only one could win the £10,000 prize.* ► contest (n, v)

3.169 plant /plɑ:nt/ (v)
Here: put sb in a group to report on others or to help organisers
♦ *The organisers of the TV show planted people in the audience to ask certain questions.* Usually: put flowers or trees in the ground

3.170 undergo /,ʌndə'gəʊ/ (v)
experience

3.171 prop /prɒp/ (n)
item used on stage or in a film set ♦ *Some of the props from the James Bond films were on sale for hundreds of pounds.*

3.172 legitimate /lə'dʒɪtɪmət/ (adj)
acceptable, permitted ♦ *I had a legitimate excuse for missing class. I was at the dentist's.* ► illegitimate (adj)

3.173 exploitation
/,eksplɔɪ'teɪʃn/ (n)
use sb for your own benefit
♦ *Paying workers such a low salary is exploitation.* ► exploit (v)

3.174 draw the line
/,drɔ: ðə 'laɪn/ (idm)
put a limit on ♦ *I sometimes use other people's ideas but I draw the line at copying their work directly.*

3.175 misfortune /mɪs'fɔ:tʃu:n/ (n)
bad luck ♦ *It was my misfortune to be on holiday when they gave out free tickets to the concert.*

3.176 livelihood /'laɪvlɪhʊd/ (n)
way of making a living ♦ *The livelihood of the villagers was threatened by the land development near them.*

3.177 wrestle /'resl/ (n)
fight hand-to-hand ♦ *Andy wrestled with the thief on the ground to stop him escaping.*

3.178 barrier /'bæriə(r)/ (n)
sth that separates two areas ♦ *The police put up a barrier to keep people away from the film star.*