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actual¹⁸

Actual means true or real. *She looks like she is 15 years old, but her actual age is 25.*

actually¹²

Actually means really, truly, or in fact. *His birthday is actually tomorrow, but he is celebrating today.*

aggressive²³

Aggressive means forceful, bold, or ready to fight hard for something. *The aggressive girl pushed ahead of somebody else who was waiting in line.*

avoid¹⁵

Avoid means to stay away from. *She tries to avoid stepping in puddles, because she does not like wet shoes.*

bond²²

Bond means to form a close relationship. *The students in a class often bond with each other; they spend a lot of time together and become close friends.*

enemy¹⁶

An enemy is a person or animal that is not friendly to another person or animal and may want to cause harm. *A cat is an enemy of a mouse.*

groom²¹

Groom means to make clean and neat. *People use brushes and combs to groom their hair.*



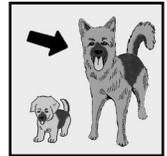
images¹¹

Images are the pictures a person has in mind when thinking about something.



mature²⁰

Mature means completely grown or fully developed. *The puppy is very small now, but it will be over 2 feet tall when it is mature.*



pound¹⁴

Pound means to hit or stomp hard. *He will pound on the door when he wants to get in.*



shy¹³

Shy means quiet, nervous, or uncomfortable around others. *My sister is shy, so she doesn't talk when we have guests at our house.*

uncommon¹⁹

If something is uncommon, it does not happen often or is not seen often. *In Alaska, it is uncommon to have hot weather during the winter.*

usually¹⁷

Usually means most of the time. *Summer days are usually hot, but sometimes they can be cool.*

capsized²⁴

Capsized means tipped upside down or turned over. *Our boat capsized in the lake, so we had to swim to shore.*



career²⁸

A career is a job you do for a long time. *My grandpa had a long career as a dentist; he worked for 45 years.*

fell ill³⁰

Fell ill means got sick. *I wanted to go to the wedding, but I fell ill and had to stay in bed.*

in distress³¹

In distress means in trouble or in an unsafe situation. *Jim was in distress when he got lost in the woods at night; he didn't have any food or water.*

keeper²⁹

A keeper is a person who watches or takes care of something. *Carlos is a park keeper; his job is to make sure the park stays in good condition.*

lifesaving³³

Lifesaving is the skills and practices used in saving lives, especially from drowning. *Before you can be a lifeguard at a pool or beach, you must pass a lifesaving class.*

lighthouse²⁵

A lighthouse is a tower with a strong light on top to guide ships and warn them of danger. *The sailors couldn't see the rocky shore in the dark, but they saw the lighthouse and knew to steer carefully.*



prized³²

Prized means thought of as important or special. *The prized horse won many races.*

rescue²⁷

A rescue is the act of saving a person or thing from danger. *The firefighter used a ladder in the rescue; he climbed up and pulled two people out of the building.*

rowed²⁶

Rowed means used oars to make a boat go.



achieve²³

Achieve means to complete, win, or make real. *When she sells the last shirt, she will achieve her goal of selling all the shirts.*

applied¹⁷

Applied means asked for something or tried to get something. *I really needed a summer job, so I applied at every store in the mall.*

astronaut¹²

An astronaut is a person who travels in space. *The astronaut went to the moon.*



convince¹⁹

Convince means to make other people do or think a certain thing. *Jim didn't want to go to the movie, but Doug tried to convince him that he should.*

engineering¹⁵

Engineering is the designing and making of things such as bridges, roads, and machines. *When I go to college, I want to study engineering so I can design cars.*

Hispanic²⁰

Hispanic means related to Spanish-speaking people or their culture. *Our school has many Hispanic students, so all of our signs are in English and Spanish.*

impressed¹⁸

Impressed means made to think highly of something. *People were impressed by the artist's work; everyone noticed and remembered her drawings.*

instead¹⁴

Instead means rather than or in place of something. *The restaurant was closed, so we ate dinner at home instead.*

limitations²²

Limitations are things that can stop something from happening or stop something from improving. *Two limitations kept Vivian from going to the party: it was too far away, and she did not have enough free time.*

limited to¹³

Limited to means kept to a certain number or a certain kind of thing. *The program was limited to adults, so children could not enter it.*

NASA¹¹

NASA is a government group in charge of space research and space travel. NASA stands for National Aeronautics and Space Administration. *NASA sent astronauts to the moon.*

realized¹⁶

Realized means learned or understood something that you did not know before. *I started to hurry when I realized I was late.*

situations²¹

Situations are the things that are happening at a certain moment. *There are many situations when you need to know math, such as when you are paying for something or when you are measuring.*

A Remarkable Friendship

communicate³⁶

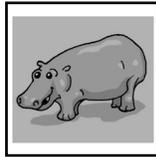
Communicate means to tell or share information and ideas. *Sometimes we communicate more with a smile than we can by speaking or writing.*

disaster²⁷

A disaster is a terrible event that causes harm. *The fire that destroyed the city was a disaster.*

hippo²⁸

A hippo, or hippopotamus, is a heavy mammal with short legs and a large head. *The hippo lives near fresh water in Africa.*



likely²⁹

Likely means probably going to or almost certain to happen. *With the dark clouds in the sky, it is likely to rain.*

lonely³²

Lonely means feeling sad because of being alone. *After the child's parents left, she felt very lonely.*

nature park³¹

A nature park is a piece of land where people can go to see plants and animals. *We saw wild elk and beautiful trees at the nature park.*



remarkable²⁴

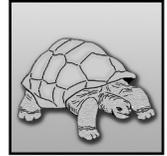
Remarkable means worth noticing, extraordinary, or unusually good. *Our baseball team had a remarkable season; we won every game, and none of our players got hurt.*

survive³⁰

Survive means to stay alive. *Paul's hunting skills helped him survive when he became lost in the woods without any food.*

tortoise³³

A tortoise is an animal that has a hard shell on its back. *The children watched the huge tortoise at the zoo.*



tsunami²⁵

A tsunami is a very large ocean wave caused by an underwater earthquake or volcanic eruption. *A tsunami flooded the village and washed away the buildings.*



unsure³⁴

Unsure means not feeling comfortable or not knowing about something. *The boy was unsure about his new school; he didn't know if he would like it.*

victims²⁶

Victims are people or animals that have been hurt by someone or something. *The victims of the fire lost their homes.*

warmed up to³⁵

Warmed up to means became friendlier toward someone or happier about a situation. *After the new student was in school for two days, the other children warmed up to him.*

Trapdoor Spider

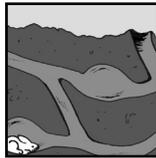
beware²¹

Beware means to be careful or watch out. *When you go to Jim's house, beware of his big, mean dog; it will bite you if you get too close.*



burrow¹⁸

A burrow is a hole in the ground dug by an animal for shelter. *We could see the rabbit run down into its burrow.*



fatal¹³

Fatal means causing death. *Two people died in the fatal car crash.*

hinges¹⁶

Hinges are connections that let doors open and close. *The hinges are rusty, so the door is hard to open.*



insect¹¹

An insect is a small animal with six legs that usually has wings. *A fly is an insect; so is a beetle.*

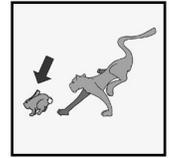


predators¹⁹

Predators are animals that kill other animals for food. *Owls are predators that eat mice.*

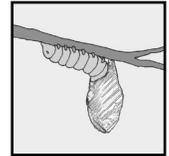
prey¹⁵

Prey is an animal hunted by another animal for food. *A fly is a frog's prey, and a mouse is prey for cats and owls.*



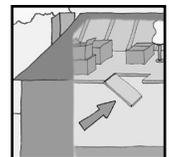
spin¹⁴

Spin means to form something from a thread that the body makes. *Caterpillars spin silk to form cocoons.*



trapdoor¹²

A trapdoor is a sliding or hinged door in a floor, roof, or ceiling. *Dad pulled open the trapdoor on the ceiling and climbed up into the attic.*

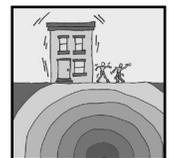


unsuspecting²⁰

Unsuspecting means not worried or not aware. *The unsuspecting girl was shocked at her surprise birthday party.*

vibrations¹⁷

Vibrations are quick movements back and forth. *We could feel the vibrations from the earthquake.*



Poison Dart Frog

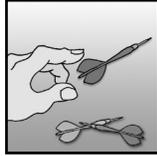
captivity³⁴

If something is in captivity, it stays in a certain area and cannot get away. *Animals at the zoo live in captivity.*



darts²⁹

Darts are small arrows with sharp points. *At the fair, Jimmy threw darts at the balloons to see how many he could pop.*



deadliest²²

Deadliest means most likely to cause death. *It was the deadliest storm ever to hit the town; it killed more people than all earlier storms combined.*

drop²⁴

A drop is a small amount of water or other liquid. *I felt a drop of rain, so I took out my umbrella.*

enough²⁵

Enough means as much as is needed or the right amount. *I asked Mom if I could have more ice cream, but she said I had already eaten enough.*

harmless³³

Harmless means not likely to hurt anyone or anything. *The little ant is harmless.*

poison²³

Poison is something that is harmful when touched or eaten. *Some mushrooms are full of poison; people can die from eating them.*

poisonous²⁷

Poisonous means having a substance that can cause sickness or death. *When the man ate a poisonous plant, he became very sick and had to go to the hospital.*

predators³⁰

Predators are animals that kill other animals for food. *Owls are predators that eat mice.*

species²⁶

Species are groups of plants or animals that are alike in certain ways. *Mammals include many species, such as lions, giraffes, and humans.*

toxic²⁸

Toxic means able to cause sickness or death, especially by poison. *Some mushrooms are toxic; you could die if you eat them.*

wild³²

The wild is an area of land where no people live, and plants and animals live without the help of people. *Some people learn to survive in the wild by learning how to find food and water and how to avoid dangerous animals.*

withstand³¹

Withstand means to endure, survive, or make it through something difficult. *Pots and pans are usually made of metal because metal can withstand the heat of cooking.*

avoid¹⁹

Avoid means to stay away from. *She tries to avoid stepping in puddles, because she does not like wet shoes.*

consumes²³

Consumes means eats or drinks. *A horse consumes hay, and a wolf consumes meat.*

eel¹¹

An eel is a long fish that looks like a snake.



electricity¹³

Electricity is power that is used for lighting, heating, and making machines work. *When I plug in my hair dryer, it uses electricity.*

enough¹⁶

Enough means as much as is needed or the right amount. *I asked Mom if I could have more ice cream, but she said I had already eaten enough.*

fiercest¹⁸

Fiercest means the most wild, most violent, or most dangerous. *I think Max is the fiercest dog on the block; he growls at people and chases anyone who goes near his yard.*

lurks²⁴

Lurks means stays hidden or waits quietly, usually out of sight. *The spy lurks in the shadows so that he can listen to conversations without being seen.*

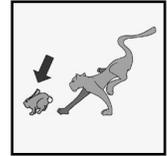


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prey²²

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ruthless²¹

Ruthless means not holding back from doing harm. *The ruthless boy tripped me so that he would win the race.*

self-defense¹⁴

Self-defense is something a person or animal does to protect itself. *He wanted to learn self-defense so that he would know how to stop an attacker.*

shocks¹²

Shocks are painful feelings caused by electricity going through the body. *Shocks can hurt or kill a person.*

stun¹⁷

Stun means to knock out or to make senseless. *The hit on his head seemed to stun him, because he couldn't talk or move for several seconds.*

volts¹⁵

Volts are units used to measure electricity. *Lightning has millions of volts of electricity, while a small battery might have only 1.5 volts.*

culture²⁹

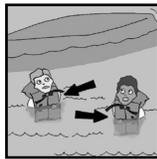
Culture is the beliefs, skills, arts, tools, traditions, and ways of life of a group of people. *American culture values the freedom to say and write what you think.*

fluff³²

Fluff is light, soft, feathery pieces. *The baby bird was covered in fluff; it was very soft.*

life jackets³⁶

Life jackets are vests that people wear to float in water. *The girls wore life jackets in the boat so that they would be safe if they fell into the water.*



majestic²⁵

Majestic means very big, grand, and worth admiring. *The mountain looks majestic; it is so tall and beautiful with snow on its peak.*

Mayan²⁶

Mayan means related to a group of people who have lived in Central America for thousands of years. *The Mayan people who lived from 250 to 900 had an advanced culture for that time.*

muffles³³

Muffles means makes quieter. *The heavy door muffles the sound of people talking in the next room.*

myths²⁷

Myths are stories that try to explain how something works or came to be. *People told myths about how the lake came to be: they said a giant dug it as a watering hole for his ox.*

pod³¹

A pod is a shell or covering, often with seeds inside. *Peas grow in a case called a pea pod.*



qualities³⁰

Qualities are specific features or traits that make a thing what it is. *Two qualities of gum are that it is sticky and that it is stretchy.*

repels³⁵

Repels means keeps away. *Bug spray repels insects; people put it on their bodies so they don't get bitten.*

Second World War³⁷

The Second World War was a major war that lasted from 1939 to 1945. The war involved many countries from all over the world.

stuffing³⁴

Stuffing means packing with something. *People often use feathers for stuffing pillows.*



symbol²⁸

A symbol is an object that stands for something other than itself. *A red rose is a symbol of love.*



chimney¹⁹

A chimney is a tall, hollow vent that lets air or smoke rise out of a closed space. *Some homes have a chimney so that the smoke from a fireplace has a way out.*



destructive¹²

Destructive means able to destroy or ruin things. *A tornado is a destructive storm because it has winds that are strong enough to pull up trees and blow down houses.*

durable¹⁶

Durable means able to be used for a long time without wearing out. *My dad's coat is very durable; he has been wearing it for ten years, and it is still in good shape.*

enormous¹⁴

Enormous means very big.

immense²²

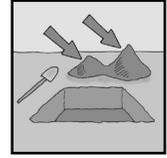
Immense means very large. *Texas is an immense state; it takes many hours to drive across it.*

impressive¹³

Impressive means something is so good that people think highly of it. *My computer was impressive to my grandpa, who had never used one before.*

mounds¹⁵

Mounds are hills or piles, usually made of dirt or sand. *The builders left mounds of dirt next to the hole they dug.*



result²¹

A result is something that happens because of another thing. *A burglar could go to jail as a result of stealing.*

system¹⁷

A system is a group of things that work together. *The CD player, radio, and speakers are all parts of my stereo system.*

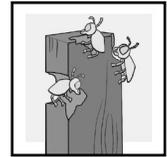
temperature²⁰

Temperature is a measure of how hot or cold something is. *It was really hot outside today: the temperature was 98 degrees Fahrenheit.*



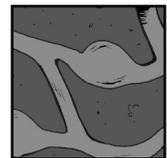
termites¹¹

Termites are small insects that eat wood and damage wooden structures.



tunnels¹⁸

Tunnels are paths that go under the ground.



expand²⁶

Expand means to become wider or bigger. *Balloons expand when you fill them with air.*

final²⁹

Final means last. *Z is the final letter of the alphabet.*

imagine²³

Imagine means to form a picture or idea in your head. *He likes to imagine what it would be like to fly.*



poisonous³⁰

Poisonous means having a substance that can cause sickness or death. *When the man ate a poisonous plant, he became very sick and had to go to the hospital.*

predator²⁵

A predator is an animal that kills other animals for food. *An owl is a predator that eats mice.*

resist²⁸

Resist means to avoid or to hold back from doing something. *The cookies looked good, but Betty was able to resist eating one before dinner.*

stick³¹

Stick means to continue with the same thing. *John wanted to stick with his old team instead of joining a new one.*

succeed²⁷

Succeed means to do what you were trying to do. *The winning basketball team was able to succeed because they worked hard.*

suddenly²⁴

Suddenly means quickly and without warning. *We were driving home when suddenly a deer ran out from the trees and in front of the car.*

Calling All Citizens!

adopt¹⁷

Adopt means to agree to take care of someone or something. *My family will adopt a dog from the animal shelter; we will make sure the dog has a good home.*

citizens¹¹

Citizens are the people who live in a country, state, city, town, or other region. *The citizens of the town gathered for the annual town meeting.*

environment¹⁵

The environment is the outside and all that lives there. *Rain is good for the environment because it helps plants grow.*

equip¹⁸

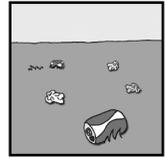
Equip means to give something to people or make it available to them. *We wanted to equip the art students with supplies, so we bought paints, brushes, easels, and canvases.*

heart sank¹²

If your heart sank, you became sad or disappointed. *She thought she had done well on the test, but her heart sank when she found out that she failed.*

litter¹⁴

Litter is the garbage that people leave on the ground. *As a volunteer project, our class picked up all the litter in the park.*



state worker¹³

A state worker is a person who does a job for a state's government. *Hector is a state worker, and his job is to care for the state parks.*

stretch²⁰

A stretch is a length or distance. *The farmer planted his crops on a stretch of land along the river.*

train¹⁹

Train means to teach or to show how to do something. *My boss will train me on how to use the computer so that I will know how to use it on my own.*

volunteer¹⁶

A volunteer is a person who helps others for no pay. *My dad is a volunteer in my classroom; he helps the teacher but does not get paid for it.*

Painting With Eggs

expensive³¹

Expensive means costing a lot of money.
New cars are very expensive.

ground²⁸

Ground means crushed something into tiny bits. *To make coffee, we ground the beans into small pieces and then soaked them in hot water.*

Italian²¹

Italian means having to do with people or things from Italy.

materials²³

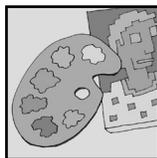
Materials are the things needed to make something. *I got out the scissors, glue, paper, and other materials I needed to do the art project.*

minerals²⁶

Minerals are natural substances, like iron or salt, that are found in the ground.

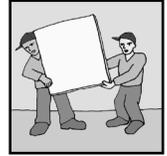
palette³⁰

A palette is a set of colors that an artist uses. *The artist uses a bright palette; he likes to paint with reds and yellows.*



panel²⁴

A panel is a thin, hard, rectangular piece of material.



pigments²⁵

Pigments are powders or other materials that are used to color other things. *I used red and blue pigments to color one of my white shirts.*

Renaissance²²

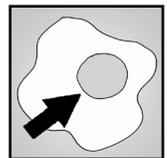
The Renaissance was a period from the 1300s to the 1600s when many people in Europe took a new interest in art, literature, and learning.

toxic²⁷

Toxic means able to cause sickness or death, especially by poison. *Some mushrooms are toxic—you could die if you eat them.*

yolk²⁹

A yolk is the yellow, middle part of an egg. *Some people like to dip their toast in the egg yolk.*



Horned Lizard

appearance¹⁹

Appearance is the way someone or something looks. *She combs her hair often because she cares about her appearance.*

avoid²¹

Avoid means to stay away from. *She tries to avoid stepping in puddles, because she does not like wet shoes.*

camouflage¹⁶

Camouflage is a way of hiding something by making it look like the things around it. *The soldiers' green and brown uniforms were good camouflage; it was very hard to see them in the forest.*

confuses²²

Confuses means makes it hard for someone or something to understand what is happening. *The heavy fog confuses the drivers because they cannot see where they are going.*

defense¹⁵

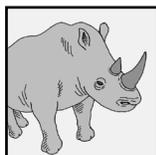
A defense is something a person or animal uses to protect itself. *The people in the city built a wall as a defense against floods.*

distasteful²³

Distasteful means unpleasant or disagreeable. *Josie thought the party was distasteful: the room was too crowded, the people were rude, and the food was bad.*

horned¹¹

Horned means having one or more horns. Horns are hard, pointed spikes that stick out of an animal's body.



lizard¹²

A lizard is a reptile with scaly skin and a long tail.



predators¹⁴

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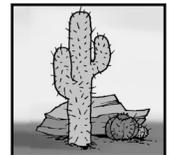
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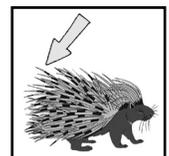
prickly¹⁸

Prickly means full of sharp points or spikes. *If you touch that prickly cactus, it will make your fingers bleed.*



spines²⁰

Spines are hard, sharp points that grow on some plants and animals. *The quills on a porcupine are spines.*



unnoticed¹⁷

Unnoticed means not seen or not attracting much attention. *The important letter was mixed in with many other papers on my desk, so it went unnoticed for many days.*

A Look at the Liver

break down²⁸

Break down means to change something into smaller parts. *The leaves that fall from the trees break down and eventually become soil.*

clear²⁶

Clear means to get rid of. *It took hours of pulling weeds to clear them from the garden.*

clot³⁵

Clot means to get thicker or more solid. *When a small cut is open to the air, the blood begins to clot so the bleeding stops.*

digest³³

Digest means to break down food into smaller parts that can be used by the body.

donates³⁸

Donates means gives money, food, or things to help others. *She donates rice to help people who do not have enough to eat.*

donors³⁷

Donors are people who give money, food, or things to help others. *Blood donors give their blood at the local blood bank to help save people's lives.*

fats³⁴

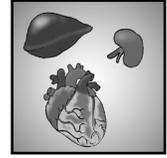
Fats are oily substances found in some foods. *One of the reasons we need some fats in our food is to provide energy.*

iron³⁰

Iron is a mineral that the human body needs to stay healthy. *After weeks of being very tired and having a lot of headaches, I learned that I wasn't getting enough iron.*

organs²⁴

Organs are parts of the body that have special jobs. *The lungs are organs that help us breathe.*



regenerate³⁶

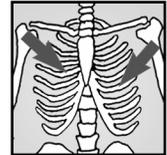
Regenerate means to grow back again or to produce anew. *When you get a scrape on your leg, your body can regenerate skin and heal the injury.*

releases³²

Releases means lets something move from a source or holding place. *Opening a can of soda releases carbon dioxide into the air, which makes a fsss sound.*

ribs²⁵

Ribs are the curved bones in the middle of the body that provide protection for some of its organs, such as the heart and lungs. *When I press on my chest, I can feel my ribs under the skin.*



stores²⁹

Stores means keeps or holds something. *She stores information on the computer by clicking "save."*

toxins²⁷

Toxins are materials that can harm the body. *People had to drink bottled water for a few weeks because toxins were found in the tap water.*

vitamins³¹

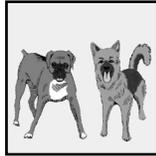
Vitamins are substances that people's bodies need in order to work well. People get vitamins from food.

Aztecs¹²

The Aztecs were a group of people who ruled what is now central Mexico from the 1300s through the 1500s. Their civilization was one of the most powerful and organized civilizations of that time.

breeds¹⁴

Breeds are different types of an animal. *Boxers and German shepherds are different breeds of dogs.*



buried¹⁷

Buried means put into the ground and covered. *When the man died, his body was buried in the town's cemetery.*

centuries¹¹

Centuries are periods of time equal to 100 years. *The tree is 300 years old; it has been alive for three centuries.*

comfort¹⁹

Comfort is the feeling of being at ease, relaxed, or content. *She felt comfort after she took the pill, because her pain went away.*

cultures¹⁸

Cultures are the beliefs, skills, arts, tools, traditions, and ways of life of groups of people. *Some cultures value the freedom to say and write what you think.*

guard dogs²¹

Guard dogs are dogs that protect certain people, places, or things. *The guard dogs started barking to alert their owner that a robber had entered the house.*

hairless¹⁵

Hairless means having little or no hair. *My mother's face is hairless, but my dad has a beard.*

loyal²⁰

Loyal means faithful to or willing to stay with someone or something. *My dog is loyal; he follows me everywhere and sleeps on my bed at night.*

protect¹³

Protect means to keep safe from danger. *People wear coats in the winter to protect themselves from the cold.*

sacred¹⁶

If something is sacred, it is holy or has to do with religion. *The church is a sacred place to many people; they go there to pray.*

algae²⁹

Algae are simple, plant-like organisms that do not have roots, stems, or leaves. They grow in wet places. *Algae were floating on the lake and growing on the sides of the boat.*



blends in³⁰

Blends in means matches closely and is hard to notice. *The lizard blends in with the leaves, so it is hard to spot.*

digesting²⁶

Digesting means changing food inside the body into a form that the body can use and store. *After you chew and swallow your food, your stomach keeps digesting the food into smaller bits that your body can use.*

drowsing²⁸

Drowsing means resting or napping. *My father was drowsing on the sofa after a long day of work.*



energy²⁷

Energy is the power to work. *Food gives energy to our bodies, and burning coal gives energy to make electricity.*

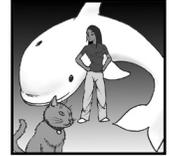
jungle²⁴

A jungle is a wet and humid place that is filled with trees, plants, and animals.



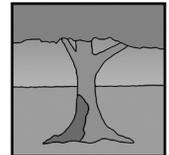
mammals²³

Mammals are warm-blooded animals that have fur or hair. *Most mammals do not lay eggs.*



moss³¹

Moss is a fuzzy plant that grows near the ground, usually in damp places.



reside²⁵

Reside means to live in a place. *Alligators and crocodiles reside in swampy areas.*

saying²²

A saying is a group of words that has a funny or wise meaning. *"Don't cry over spilled milk" is a favorite saying of mine.*

still³²

Still means not moving. *The students sat so still that they looked like statues.*

disease¹⁶

A disease is an illness or something that makes a person sick. *Cancer is a disease, and so is chicken pox.*

evidence¹⁵

Evidence is information that helps you believe something. *The mud on the floor is evidence that someone wore dirty shoes in the house.*

exploded¹²

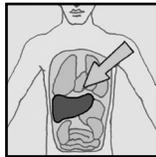
Exploded means suddenly burst or erupted. *When the volcano exploded, it spit lava, ash, and smoke into the air.*

insides¹³

Insides are the inner parts of the body. *Your heart, lungs, and other organs are your insides.*

liver¹⁷

The liver is a large body part near the stomach that cleans blood and helps break down food.



pattern¹⁸

A pattern is something that happens in the same way many times, such as actions, colors, shapes, lines, or sounds. *The robber always followed the same pattern: he entered through the kitchen window and left through the back door.*

pecked¹⁹

Pecked means hit or picked at with a beak. *The chickens pecked the seeds off the ground.*



possible²¹

Possible means could be true or has the ability to happen. *The dark clouds mean it is possible we could have a storm tonight.*

puffed up¹¹

Puffed up means swelled or got bigger. *The cake puffed up in the oven.*

scientists¹⁴

Scientists are people who study things using tests and experiments. *Some scientists watch and study animals; some scientists study the weather.*

theory²⁰

A theory is a guess someone makes after watching and thinking carefully about something. *To come up with a theory about whale songs, the scientist watched whales for years.*

arrest²²

Arrest means to use the power of the law to catch and lock up a person. *The police will arrest the thief for stealing.*



border²⁷

A border is a line dividing two countries or areas. *A river forms the border between the two states.*

boundaries²⁶

Boundaries are the borders or limits of an area.



casualty³¹

A casualty is someone who is hurt or killed in a war or accident. *The building burned down in the fire, but there was not a single casualty; everyone got out safe and without injury.*

incident²⁴

An incident is a certain event, especially a minor one. *A funny incident happened in school today: my friend wore socks on his hands.*

nations²³

Nations are areas of land that have their own laws for the people living there. *The United States, France, and Brazil are all nations.*

ownership³⁰

Ownership of something means that thing belongs to you. *Mom has ownership of the car because she paid for it; the car belongs to her.*

solution²⁹

A solution is an answer to a problem. *At the meeting, we looked for a solution to the parking problem in our city; some people thought we could build more parking ramps, and others thought we should get more people to ride the bus.*

tension²⁸

Tension is bad feelings between people that make them feel less comfortable with and trusting of each other. *After Jim lost the race to Bob, there was tension in the boys' friendship; they no longer felt relaxed and happy around one another.*

treaty²⁵

A treaty is an official agreement between countries. *The United States and Germany signed a peace treaty after World War I.*

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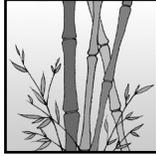
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ancient¹⁴

Ancient means very old. *He found an ancient coin; it was over 2,000 years old.*

bamboo¹⁷

Bamboo is tall, hard grass.



bristles¹²

Bristles are short, stiff hairs. *When Dad started to grow a beard, his chin was covered in bristles at first, but his beard felt softer after the hairs grew longer.*

Chinese¹⁶

Chinese are the people of China.

common¹³

If something is common, it is normal or happens a lot. *Backpacks are common at schools, and suitcases are common at airports.*

essential²¹

Essential means extremely important or necessary. *To learn how to read, it is essential to know the sounds that the letters make.*

founded¹⁹

Founded means set up or started for the first time. *The group of teachers founded the new school last year.*

frayed¹⁵

Frayed means worn and torn at the edges. *It is hard to put in a shoelace when the laces are frayed.*



invention¹¹

An invention is a new creation or idea. *The airplane is an invention that lets people travel by flying.*

mass-produce¹⁸

Mass-produce means to make in large numbers, often with the help of machines. *People used to make books by writing them out one by one; today people use printers to mass-produce thousands of copies of the same book.*

varieties²⁰

Varieties are many different kinds. *The bowl held varieties of fruit, including apples, oranges, and bananas.*

company²⁶

A company is a group of people who work together to make or sell products.

curiosity³¹

Curiosity is a desire to know about something. *The girl had a lot of curiosity about horses; she read many books about them.*

curious²²

Curious means wanting to learn or know. *Sayid was curious about dinosaurs, so he got books about them from the library.*

expensive³⁰

Expensive means costing a lot of money. *New cars are very expensive.*

experiment²³

An experiment is a careful test to see if something is true or if something works. *They did an experiment to see how much faster ice melts at 100 degrees compared to 50 degrees.*

exploded²⁸

Exploded means suddenly burst or erupted. *When the volcano exploded, it spit lava, ash, and smoke into the air.*

invention²⁵

An invention is a new creation or idea. *The airplane is an invention that lets people travel by flying.*

regular²⁹

Regular means normal or ordinary.

results²⁴

Results are things that happen because something else happened. *The results of the hurricane were that many people were left homeless and injured.*

track²⁷

Track means to watch, listen to, or follow something to know where it is. *Some computers can track where planes are in the sky.*

cruel¹³

Cruel means unkind and hurtful. *The cruel boy threw rocks at the flock of birds in the park.*

dangerous¹⁵

Dangerous means unsafe or likely to cause harm. *I don't play with fire because it is dangerous.*

devoted²²

Devoted means dedicated or did everything possible to accomplish something. *Bill devoted his life to fighting hunger by working in the soup kitchen every week and raising money to buy food for poor children.*

emancipate¹⁸

Emancipate means to set free from someone else's control. *The man opened up the animal cage to emancipate the lion into the wild.*

escape¹⁷

Escape means to get away from something bad or unwanted. *You can escape from a fire by climbing out of a window.*

**harsh**¹¹

Harsh means very unpleasant, uncomfortable, or severe. *The wind was so harsh that it burned my cheeks.*

reward¹⁶

A reward is a prize for doing something. *My mom gave me a hug as a reward for making breakfast.*

satisfied¹⁴

Satisfied means happy or pleased with the way things are. *Colin studied hard for his math test, so he felt satisfied when he passed.*

scout¹⁹

A scout is a person who goes ahead of a group to check things out and gather information for the group. *The mountain climbers hired a scout to tell them what the weather was like ahead of them.*

slave-holding states²¹

Slave-holding states were the states where, before the U.S. Civil War, laws allowed some people to own other people as slaves.

slaves¹²

Slaves are people who are owned by others and are forced to work. *The slaves had to work hard for no pay, even when they were sick or hurt.*

spy²⁰

A spy is someone who tries to gather information from an enemy without being caught. *During wartime, France sent a spy to Germany to get the enemy's secrets.*

access²⁶

Access is the right or ability to use something. *My dad has access to the school gym, so we can play there even when the school is closed.*

affected³⁶

Affected means caused a change in someone's feelings or emotions. *The sad movie affected people so much that everyone left the theater in tears.*

cast²⁵

A cast is a bandage made from something hard that helps support a bone while it is healing. *When Chris broke his arm, he had to wear a cast on it for six weeks until the bone was healed.*



emotional³¹

Emotional means having to do with a person's feelings. *People had different emotional reactions to the news; some people cried, and others got very angry.*

express²⁸

Express means to show or to put into words. *Pedro wanted to express his love for Sarah by giving her a ring.*

heritage³³

Heritage is something that is inherited or passed down from earlier generations, like a value or tradition.

operations²⁹

Operations are medical treatments in which doctors cut into the body to fix or remove problems.

outlet²⁷

An outlet is a way to let out energy or feelings. *Running is a good outlet for Pete; he always seems less upset about things after he runs.*

pelvis²³

The pelvis is the part of the skeleton that includes the hips and the bottom part of the backbone.



pride³²

Pride is respect for yourself or a good feeling about what you can do. *Isaac had a lot of pride about his work; he would not quit working on something until he knew it was perfect.*

recovery²⁴

A recovery is the process of getting better and stronger after an injury or illness. *My brother made a fast recovery after he broke his arm; it took only one month for his bone to heal.*

self-portraits³⁰

Self-portraits are drawings, paintings, sculptures, or photographs of the artist who made them.



symbols³⁵

Symbols are objects that stand for something other than themselves. *Red roses are symbols of love.*

traditional³⁴

Traditional means in the same way that something has been done for a long time. *It is traditional to sing "Happy Birthday" at a birthday party.*

arrested¹²

Arrested means caught and held for breaking the law. *The thief was arrested when the police saw him robbing the bank.*



century¹⁴

A century is a period of time equal to 100 years. *The 20th century lasted from 1901 to 2000.*

codes¹⁵

Codes are systems of laws or sets of rules. *Cities have fire codes that say how many fire escapes a building must have.*

common people²⁰

In countries with royalty, common people are all the people who are not nobles. *The king sometimes went to visit the common people, such as farmers and shopkeepers.*

enforce²³

Enforce means to make people obey. *Police enforce traffic laws by fining or arresting drivers who don't obey those laws.*

fabrics¹⁹

Fabrics are kinds of cloth used to make clothes, curtains, and other goods. *To make a winter coat, Marcie cut out and sewed many fabrics.*

fashion¹¹

Fashion is a popular way of dressing at a certain time. *Many years ago, long skirts were the fashion for women.*

industry¹⁸

An industry is all the businesses that provide related services or products. *People who grow crops, own grocery stores, or own restaurants are part of the food industry.*

legal²⁴

Legal means allowed by law. *In most places, it is legal to ride a bike; you will not get in trouble for it.*

nobles'²¹

Nobles' means owned by people with high rank in countries that have royalty. *In England, some nobles' titles are duke, duchess, earl, and countess.*

purpose¹⁶

A purpose is the reason for something. *The purpose of this meeting is to plan our camping trip.*

rulers¹⁷

Rulers are people who have control or power over a place. *Kings and queens are the rulers of some countries.*



situation¹³

A situation is the thing that is happening at a certain moment. *You are in a bad situation if it is raining and your umbrella breaks.*

status²²

Status is rank or position compared to others. *Jill is a secretary at her company, and she hopes that hard work and more schooling will help raise her status to manager someday.*

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borrowed²⁷

Borrowed means used something that belongs to someone else. *Dad's car stopped working, so he borrowed his friend's car for the day.*

college²⁹

College is a school where some people go after high school to learn more.

exam³¹

An exam is a test to find out how much someone knows. *We took an exam at the end of the school year to make sure we had learned enough to move up to the next grade.*

lawyer³²

A lawyer is someone who is trained to give people advice about the law. *Some laws are confusing, so people will hire a lawyer to help them understand what they must do to follow the law.*



office³⁴

An office is a job in which a person has a certain duty or power. *He was elected to the office of vice president to help the president run the country.*

opportunity²⁶

An opportunity is a chance to do something. *I'll have an opportunity to shake hands with the president when he visits our town.*

politician³³

A politician is a person who tries to get elected to a job in government. *A senator is a politician, and so is a mayor.*



self-taught³⁵

Self-taught means trained outside of school and without the help of others. *The self-taught chess player learned to play chess by buying a rule book and by practicing the game with friends.*

served²⁸

Served means gave someone something that was useful or necessary. *When our basketball team won, we knew that all our practice had served us well.*

spare²⁵

Spare means to get by without something. *I asked Pete if he could spare his paintbrush, and he said yes because he was done with it.*

the law³⁰

The law is a set of rules that tell people what they must and must not do. *Speed limits are one way that the law helps keep people safe.*



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