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Vocabulary (A)

Abandon - Forsake

- People often simply **abandon** their pets when they go abroad.
- He had made it clear to his wife that he would never **forsake** her.

Able - Capable

- You must be **able** to speak French for this job.
- You are **capable** of better work than this.

Accomplish - Achieve

- Easy enough to say, but sometimes hard to **accomplish!**
- They could not **achieve** their target of less than 3% inflation.

Accurate - Precise

- Scientists have found a more **accurate** way of dating cave paintings.
- I can be reasonably **precise** about the time of the incident.

Active - Athletic

- She's over 80, but is still very **active**.
- He can play any sport, he's naturally **athletic**.

Admit - Confess

- Don't be afraid to **admit** to your mistakes.
- We persuaded her to **confess** her crime.

Agree - Consent

- I **agree** with her analysis of the situation.
- I rarely **consent** to do interviews.

Aim - Goal/ Purpose

- Our main **aim** is to increase sales in Europe.
- Your **goal** as a parent is to help your child become an independent adult.
- The **purpose** of the book is to provide a complete guide to the university.

Alike - Same

- My mother and I are **alike** in many ways.
- She was born on the **same** day as me.

All- Every

- The boys played video games **all** day.

- I enjoyed **every** minute of the film.

Allow - Permit

- My parents wouldn't **allow** me to go to the party
- We were not **permitted** any contact with each other.

Amiable = Friendly

- Her parents seemed very **amiable**.
- Everyone was very **friendly** towards me.

Amount - Quantity

- We've had an enormous **amount** of help from people.
- The police also found a **quantity** of ammunition in the flat.

Angry - Mad/ Irritated

- Her behavior really made me **angry**.
- He's always been **mad** about kids.
- She was getting more and more **irritated** at his comments.

Arrive - Reach

- They **arrived** at the airport at 10.30.
- You should **reach** there around 9.45 a.m.

Ask - Enquire

- We'll have to **ask** someone the way to the station.
- I called the station to **enquire** about train times.

Assist - Help

- Anyone willing to **assist** can contact this number.
- This charity aims to help people to **help** themselves.

Assure - Guarantee

- We were **assured** that everything possible was being done.
- We cannot **guarantee** our flights will never be delayed.

Attire - Dress

- Their **attire** was a mixture of the sombre and seaside wear.
- I am wearing the long white **dress**.

Away - Absent

- There were ten children **away** yesterday.
- Today, he is **absent** from work.

Awful - Terrible/ Bad

- The weather last summer was **awful**.
- That's a **terrible** thing to say!
- I'm having a really **bad** day.

Vocabulary (B)

Bargain - Deal

- The car was a **bargain** at that price.
- We did a **deal** with the management on overtime.

Begin - Start

- He always **begins** his lessons with a warmup exercise.
- I only **started** this book yesterday.

Beginner - Novice/ Amateur

- She's in the **beginners'** class.
- I'm a complete **novice** at skiing.
- The tournament is open to both **amateurs** and professionals.

Behave - Act

- The doctor **behaved** very unprofessionally.
- John's been **acting** very strangely lately.

Belly - Stomach

- They crawled along on their **bellies**.
- You shouldn't exercise on a full **stomach**.

Below - Under

- He dived **below** the surface of the water.
- The dog squeezed **under** the gate and ran into the road.

Big - Vast/ Large

- It's the world's **biggest** computer company.
- His business empire was **vast**.
- Brazil is the world's **largest** producer of coffee.

Blank - Empty

- Sign your name in the **blank** space below.

- *It's not good to drink alcohol on an **empty** stomach.*

Blend - Mix

- ***Blend** together the eggs, sugar and flour.*
- ***Mix** all the ingredients together in a bowl.*

Bother - Annoy

- *I don't want to **bother** her with my problems at the moment.*
- *His constant joking was beginning to **annoy** her.*

Brave - Courageous

- *I wasn't **brave** enough to tell her what I thought of her.*
- *I hope people will be **courageous** enough to speak out against this injustice.*

Broad - Wide

- *He is tall, **broad** and muscular.*
- *Her face broke into a **wide** grin.*

Brute - Rough/ Violent

- *His father was a drunken **brute**.*
- *This watch is not designed for **rough** treatment.*
- *Her husband was a **violent** man.*

Bucket - Pail

- *They were playing on the beach with their **buckets** and spades.*
- *It was a community that drank out of the beer **pail** and ate out of the lunch bucket.*

Bunny - Rabbit

- *A little **bunny** seemed harmless enough.*
- *I want to have a **rabbit**.*

Business - Trade

- *It's been a pleasure to do **business** with you.*
- ***Trade** between the two countries has increased.*

Buy - Purchase

- *If you're thinking of getting a new car, now is a good time to **buy**.*
- *The equipment can be **purchased** from your local supplier.*

Vocabulary (C)

Center - Middle

- *There was an enormous oak table in the **center** of the room.*
- *He was standing in the **middle** of the room.*

Chiefly - Mainly

- *We are **chiefly** concerned with improving educational standards.*
- *They eat **mainly** fruit and nuts.*

Child - Kid

- *I lived in London as a **child**.*
- *She's a bright **kid**.*

Choose - Select/ Pick

- *We have to **choose** a new manager from a shortlist of five candidates.*
- *She was **selected** as the parliamentary candidate for Bath.*
- *She **picked** the best cake for herself.*

Chop - Cut

- *He was **chopping** logs for firewood.*
- *You need a powerful saw to **cut** through metal.*

Close - Shut

- *I **closed** my eyes against the bright light.*
- *Philip went into his room and **shut** the door behind him.*

Coat - Jacket

- *I have a long winter **coat**.*
- *I have to wear a **jacket** and tie to work.*

Cold - Chilly/ Freezing

- *Today, it is very **cold**.*
- *I was feeling **chilly**.*
- *My hands are **freezing!***

Competent - Capable

- *He's very **competent** in his work.*
- *You are **capable** of better work than this.*

Complete - Finish

- The project should be **completed** within a year.
- She **finished** law school last year.

Complex - Complicated

- That's a **complex** problem.
- The story is extremely **complicated**.

Connect - Join

- The towns are **connected** by train and bus services.
- The island is **joined** to the mainland by a bridge.

Cope - Manage

- He wasn't able to **cope** with the stresses and strains of the job.
- She's 82 and can't **manage** on her own any more.

Couch - Sofa

- Tom offered to sleep on the **couch**.
- I took my shoe off and lay down on the **sofa**.

Coarse - Rough

- He is wearing a jacket of **coarse** wool.
- The skin on her hands was hard and **rough**.

Crash - Accident

- A girl was killed yesterday in a **crash** involving a stolen car.
- He was killed in an **accident**.

Crook - Criminal

- The film portrays a world of smalltime **crooks**, petty crime and drinking clubs.
- Lawyers are not allowed to comment on current **criminal** cases.

Cry - Weep

- It's all right. Don't **cry**.
- She started to **weep** uncontrollably.

Cunning - Clever

- It was a **cunning** piece of detective work.
- He's **clever** with his hands.

Vocabulary (D)

Danger - Harm

- *Children's lives are in **danger** every time they cross this road.*
- *He would never frighten anyone or cause them any **harm**.*

Daybreak - Dawn/ Sunrise

- *We left before **daybreak**.*
- *They start work at **dawn**.*
- *We left before **sunrise**.*

Dear - Expensive

- *Everything's so **dear** now, isn't it?*
- *I can't afford it, it's too **expensive**.*

Defective - Faulty

- *Her hearing was found to be slightly **defective**.*
- *Ask for a refund if the goods are **faulty**.*

Delicious - Yummy

- *This dish is **delicious** with cream.*
- *These biscuits are **yummy**.*

Demolish - Destroy/ Wreck

- *The factory is due to be **demolished** next year.*
- *The building was completely **destroyed** by fire.*
- *The house was a **wreck** when we bought it.*

Demonstrate - Protest

- *They are **demonstrating** in favor of free higher education.*
- *Students took to the streets to **protest** against the decision.*

Denounce - Blame/ Indict

- *Amnesty International **denounced** the failure by the authorities to take action.*
- *The report **blames** poor safety standards for the accident.*
- *They were **indicted** on a number of corruption charges.*

Dense - Thick/ Heavy

- *A narrow track wound steeply up through **dense** forest.*
- *This breed of cattle has a very **thick** coat.*

- The air was **heavy** with the scent of flowers.

Depart - Leave

- The train **departed** Amritsar at 6.15 p.m.
- The plane **leaves** for Dallas at 12.35.

Despise - Hate/ Detest/ Loathe

- She thoroughly **despised** him for his weakness.
- He **hates** violence in any form.
- They **detested** each other on sight.
- I **loathe** modern art.

Destiny - Fate

- Believe there's some force guiding us-call it God, **destiny** or **fate**.
- By a strange twist of **fate**, Andy and I were on the same plane.

Destitute - Poor/ Penniless

- When he died, his family was left completely **destitute**.
- They were too **poor** to buy shoes for the kids.
- Uncle Charlie was jobless and **penniless**.

Detach - Remove

- The skis should **detach** from the boot if you fall.
- Three children were **removed** from the school for persistent bad behavior.

Deter - Hinder

- The high price of the service could **deter** people from seeking advice.
- Some teachers felt **hindered** by a lack of resources.

Determined - Sure/ Convinced

- I'm **determined** to succeed.
- You don't sound very **sure**.
- I am **convinced** of her innocence.

Different - Diverse

- They are sold in many **different** colors.
- My interests are very **diverse**.

Difficult - Hard

- Your writing is really **difficult** to read.
- It was one of the **hardest** things I ever did.

Diminish - Decrease

- The world's resources are rapidly **diminishing**.
- The number of new students **decreased** from 210 to 160 this year.

Disappear - Vanish

- The plane **disappeared** behind a cloud.
- The magician **vanished** in a puff of smoke.

Disclose - Reveal

- The spokesman refused to **disclose** details of the takeover to the press.
- The doctors did not **reveal** the truth to him.

Down - Below

- The stone rolled **down** the hill.
- He dived **below** the surface of the water.

Vocabulary (E)

Earth - Ground

- After a week at sea, it was good to feel the **earth** beneath our feet again.
- I found her lying on the **ground**.

Easy - Simple

- It's **easy** for you to tell me to keep calm, but you're not in my position.
- The answer is really quite **simple**.

Encourage - Urge

- My parents have always **encouraged** me in my choice of career.
- The report **urged** that all children be taught to swim.

End - Finish/ Conclude

- They decided to **end** their relationship.
- She **finished** law school last year.
- She **concluded** her speech with a quotation from Shakespeare.

Enlarge - Magnify

- There are plans to **enlarge** the recreation area.
- The picture shows the insect's head **magnified** ten times.

Enormous - Huge

- The problems facing the President are **enormous**.
- He gazed up at her with **huge** brown eyes.

Enquire - Investigate

- I called the station to **enquire** about train times.
- The FBI has been called in to **investigate**.

Evaluate - Assess

Vocabulary (F)

Fast - Quick

- He's one of the **fastest** runners in the world.
- She walked with short, **quick** steps.

Father - Dad

- He was a wonderful **father** to both his natural and adopted children.
- That's my **dad** over there.

Find - Discover

- Can you **find** my bag for me?
- Police **discovered** a large stash of drugs while searching the house.

Fix - Repair/ Mend

- I've **fixed** the problem.
- The human body has an amazing capacity to **repair** itself.
- Could you **mend** my bike for me?

Fool - Idiot

- He told me he was an actor and I was **fool** enough to believe him.
- When I lost my passport, I felt such **an idiot**.

Forbid - Prohibit/ Ban

- My doctor has **forbidden** me sugar.
- The policy **prohibits** smoking on school grounds.
- Chemical weapons are **banned** internationally.

Forgive - Pardon

- I'll never **forgive** her for what she did.
- She was **pardoned** after serving ten years of a life sentence.

Former - Previous

- Nelson Mandela is a **former** South African president.
- She is his daughter from a **previous** marriage.

Fraction - Part/ Portion/ Segment

- She hesitated for the merest **fraction** of a second.
- We spent **part** of the time in the museum.
- The central **portion** of the bridge collapsed.
- She cleaned a small **segment** of the painting.

Fragrance - Perfume

- They are about to launch their first **fragrance** for men.
- She was wearing too much **perfume**.

Frank - Candid

- He was very **frank** about his relationship with the actress.
- I felt she was being less than **candid** with me.

Freedom - Liberty

- People here like their **freedom** and privacy.
- The concept of individual **liberty** is enshrined in the constitution.

Frenzy - Fury/ Rage

- The speaker worked the crowd up into a **frenzy**.
- Her eyes blazed with **fury**.
- His face was dark with **rage**.

Fresh - Unused/ New

- Let me write it down while it's still **fresh** in my mind.
- The house was left **unused** for most of the year.
- Have you read her **new** novel?

Fun - Enjoyment

- We had a lot of **fun** at Sarah's party.
- I get a lot of **enjoyment** from music.

Funny - Amusing/ Entertaining

- It's not **funny!** Someone could have been hurt.
- It's a very **amusing** game to play.

- *It was a very **entertaining** evening.*

Furious - Angry

- *She was absolutely **furious** at having been deceived.*
- *Her behavior really made me **angry**.*

Vocabulary (G)

Gain - Acquire/ Obtain

- *The country **gained** its independence ten years ago.*
- *She has **acquired** a good knowledge of English.*
- *I finally managed to **obtain** a copy of the report.*

Gallant - Chivalrous

- *That wasn't very **gallant** of you.*
- *I was only trying to be **chivalrous**.*

Garbage - Trash/ Rubbish

- *Don't forget to take out the **garbage**.*
- *Will someone take out the **trash**?*
- *The streets were littered with **rubbish**.*

Gather - Collect

- *His supporters **gathered** in the main square.*
- *The company **collects** information about consumer trends.*

Gaunt - Scrawny/ Skinny/ Thin

- *She looked **gaunt** and exhausted.*
- *He had long **scrawny** fingers.*
- *She had wild hair and long **skinny** arms.*
- *He was tall and **thin**, with dark hair.*

Gentle - Tender

- *He lived in a **gentle** age than ours.*
- *What he needs now is a lot of **tender** loving care.*

Gift - Present

- *The watch was a **gift** from my mother.*

- *What can I get him for a birthday **present**?*

Glad – Happy/ Pleased/ Delighted/ Cheerful/ Joyful/ Merry

- *She was **glad** when the meeting was over.*
- *You don't look very **happy** today.*
- *She was very **pleased** with her exam results.*
- *I was **delighted** that you could stay.*
- *He felt bright and **cheerful** and full of energy.*
- *It was a **joyful** reunion of all the family.*
- *He's a lovely man with **merry** eyes and a wide smile.*

Good - Excellent

- *The piano was in **good** condition.*
- *She speaks **excellent** French.*

Great - Grand

- *People were arriving in **great** numbers.*
- *It's not a very **grand** house.*

Vocabulary (H)

Hat - Cap

- *I'm wearing two **hats** tonight-parent and teacher.*
- *He is wearing a baseball **cap**.*

Have - Own/ Possess

- *I **have** a new car and a boat.*
- *I don't **own** anything of any value.*
- *I'm afraid this is the only suitcase I **possess**.*

Help - Assist

- *He always **helps** with the housework.*
- *We will **assist** you in finding somewhere to live.*

Hot - Boiling

- *It was **hot** and getting hotter.*
- *You must be **boiling** in that sweater!*

House - Home

- *He went into the **house**.*
- *We are not far from my **home** now.*

Vocabulary (I)

Idea - Thought

- *I like the **idea** of living on a boat.*
- *I don't like the **thought** of you walking home alone.*

Important - Significant

- *Money played an **important** role in his life.*
- *Your work has shown a **significant** improvement.*

Infant - Baby

- *She was seriously ill as an **infant**.*
- *My sister's expecting a **baby**.*

Inspect - Examine

- *The plants are regularly **inspected** for disease.*
- *The doctor **examined** her but could find nothing wrong.*

Interesting - Exciting

- *It would be **interesting** to know what he really believed.*
- *They waited and waited for something **exciting** to happen.*

Vocabulary (J)

Job - Occupation/Work/ Career

- *He's trying to get a **job**.*
- *Please state your name, age and **occupation** below.*
- *It's very difficult to find **work** at the moment.*
- *He had a very distinguished **career** in the Foreign Office.*

Jungle - Forest

- *The area was covered in dense **jungle**.*
- *Thousands of hectares of **forest** are destroyed each year.*

Vocabulary (K)

Keep - Hold

- *She **keeps** the blue bear as a souvenir.*
- *The girl **holds** her father's hand tightly.*

Kind - Helpful

- *She's a very **kind** and generous person.*
- *She's one of the most **helpful** people I know.*

Vocabulary (L)

Last - Final/ Ultimate

- *I wouldn't marry you if you were the **last** person on earth!*
- *They find each other in the **final** chapter of the book.*
- *We will accept **ultimate** responsibility for whatever happens.*

Late - Tardy

- *She's **late** for work every day.*
- *The law is often **tardy** in reacting to changing attitudes.*

Laugh - Giggle

- *She always makes me **laugh**.*
- *The girls **giggled** at the joke.*

Learn - Study

- *She's very keen to **learn** about Japanese culture.*
- *My brother **studied** at the Royal College of Art.*

Like - Love/ Enjoy/ Prefer

- I don't **like** the way he's looking at me.
- If you **love** each other, why not get married?
- Thanks for a great evening. I really **enjoyed** it.
- I **prefer** my coffee black.

Listen - Hear

- I **listened** carefully to her story.
- He could **hear** a dog barking.

Long - Endless

- There was a **long** silence before she spoke.
- The journey seemed **endless**.

Look - Glance/ See/ Watch/ View

- If you **look** carefully you can just see our house from here.
- She **glanced** at her watch.
- I hate to **see** you unhappy.
- She **watched** the kids playing in the yard.
- People came from all over the world to **view** her work.

Loud - Noisy

- She spoke in a very **loud** voice.
- The streets were very **noisy** throughout the night.

Lucky - Fortunate

- His friend was killed and he knows he is **lucky** to be alive.
- I have been **fortunate** enough to visit many parts of the world as a lecturer.

Vocabulary (M)

Many - Numerous

- There are too **many** mistakes in this essay.
- He has been late on **numerous** occasions.

Misery - Distress/ Hardship

- Fame brought her nothing but **misery**.
- The charity aims to relieve poverty and **distress** caused by natural disasters.

- People suffered many **hardships** during that long winter.

Mistake - Error

- It would be a **mistake** to ignore his opinion.
- I think you have made an **error** in calculating the total.

Mix - Stir/ Mingle/ Blend

- Oil does not **mix** with water.
- The vegetables are **stirred** into the rice while it is hot.
- He felt a kind of happiness **mingled** with regret.
- **Blend** the flour with the milk to make a smooth paste.

Mother - Mom

- I want to buy a present for my **mother** and father.
- My **mom** says I have to stay home tonight.

Vocabulary (N)

Naughty - Mischievous

- He is a **naughty** boy
- She looked *slightly* **mischievous**.

Nearly - Almost

- The bottle's **nearly** empty.
- The story is **almost** certainly false.

Neat - Tidy

- She was wearing a **neat** black suit.
- She keeps her flat very **tidy**.

Vocabulary (O)

Occur - Happen

- When exactly did the incident **occur**?
- You'll never guess what's **happened**!

Odd - Strange/ Queer/ Weird

- The **odd** thing was that he didn't recognize me.
- A **strange** thing happened this morning.
- She had a **queer** feeling that she was being watched.
- It's really **weird** seeing yourself on television.

Old - Ancient

- He always gives the same **old** excuses.
- That's an **ancient** oak tree!

Opportunit - Chance

- You'll have the **opportunity** to ask any questions at the end.
- Please give me a **chance** to explain.

Outside - Exterior

- You can't open the door from the **outside**.
- The **exterior** of the house needs painting.

Vocabulary (P)

Page - Sheet

- Someone has torn a **page** out of this book.
- Start each answer on a fresh **sheet**

Particular - Specific

- There is one **particular** patient I'd like you to see.
- The money was collected for a **specific** purpose.

Pastime - Hobby

- Watching television now seems to be the most popular national **pastime**.
- I only play jazz as a **hobby**.

Pause - Hesitate

- Anita **paused** for a moment, then said: 'All right'.
- He seemed to **hesitate** a second.

Perform - Act/ Carry out

- She **performs** an important role in our organization.
- Can you **act** as interpreter?
- Extensive tests have been **carried out** on the patient.

Place - Put

- He **placed** his hand on her shoulder.
- Did you **put** sugar in my coffee?

Play - Frolic

- You'll have to **play** inside today.
- Lambs **frolicked** in the next field.

Polite - Courteous

- Please be **polite** to our guests.
- The hotel staffs are friendly and **courteous**.

Popular - Favorite

- This is one of our most **popular** designs.
- It's one of my **favorite** movies.

Precarious - Uncertain/ Insecure

- The museum is in a financially **precarious** position.
- They're both **uncertain** about what to do.
- **Insecure** doors and windows make life easy for burglars.

Pretty - Beautiful

- She is a **pretty** girl.
- She looked stunningly **beautiful** that night.

Prompt - Immediate/ Instant

- **Prompt** payment of the invoice would be appreciated.
- Our **immediate** response to the attack was sheer horror.
- This account gives you **instant** access to your money.

Pull - Tug

- **Pull** the chair nearer the table.
- She tried to escape but he **tugged** her back.

Push - Shove

- She **pushed** at the door but it wouldn't budge.
- The door wouldn't open no matter how hard she **shoved**.

Vocabulary (Q)

Quake - Tremble

- *They are quaking in their boots at the prospect of tomorrow's game.*
- *He opened the letter with **trembling** hands.*

Quiet - Peaceful

- *I was looking forward to a **quiet** evening at home.*
- *He had a **peaceful** life.*

Quiet - Silent

- *"Be **quiet**," said the teacher.*
- *"Keep **silent**, please!"*

Quite - Fairly/ Pretty

- *He plays **quite** well.*
- *I know him **fairly** well, but I wouldn't say we were really close friends.*
- *I'm **pretty** sure I'll be going.*

Vocabulary (R)

Raise - Lift

- *She **raised** the gun and fired.*
- *I **lifted** the lid of the box and peered in.*

Real - Genuine/ True

- *Are those **real** flowers?*
- *Is the painting a **genuine** Picasso?*
- *The novel is based on a **true** story.*

Receive - Get

- *He **received** an award for bravery from the police service.*
- *I **got** a letter from Dave this morning.*

Regret - Remorse

- *She expressed her **regret** at the decision.*
- *She felt no **remorse** at leaving them without notice.*

Reject - Deny/ Refuse

- *The prime minister **rejected** any idea of reforming the system.*
- *She **denied** all knowledge of the incident.*

- I politely **refused** their invitation.

Reliable - Dependable/ Trustworthy

- We are looking for someone who is **reliable** and hardworking.
- She is a **dependable** man.
- If you want your mom to trust you, you have to be a **trustworthy** person.

Remark - Comment

- The judges **remarked** on the high standard of entries for the competition.
- I don't feel I can **comment** on their decision.

Renew - Resume

- The army **renewed** its assault on the capital.
- She **resumed** her career after an interval of six years.

Rescue - Save

- He **rescued** a child from drowning.
- Doctors were unable to **save** her.

Respect - Honor

- I have the greatest **respect** for your brother.
- They stood in silence as a mark of **honor** to her.

Respond - Reply/Answer

- I asked him his name, but he didn't **respond**.
- He never **replied** to any of my letters.
- I repeated the question, but she didn't **answer**.

Rest - Relax

- The doctor told me to **rest**.
- Just **relax** and enjoy the movie.

Right - Correct/ Proper/ True

- You were quite **right** to criticize him.
- Please check that these details are **correct**.
- We should have had a proper discussion before voting.
- I think it would be true to say that the show was a success

Rich - Wealthy

- Nobody gets **rich** from writing nowadays
- They live in a **wealthy** suburb of Chicago.

Round - Circular

- *The child was watching it all with big round eyes.*
- *The crater was two miles across and roughly circular.*

Rug - Carpet

- *There were several brightly colored **rugs** scattered around.*
- *My bedroom **carpet** is green.*

Rule - Law

- *The 1972 act imposed direct **rule** from Westminster.*
- *The reforms have recently become **law**.*

Vocabulary (S)

Sack - Bag

- *We need about a **sack** of rice.*
- *She is holding a plastic **bag**.*

Sad - Unhappy

- *We are very **sad** to hear that you are leaving.*
- *I was **unhappy** that she had to go.*

Say - Tell/ Talk/ Speak

- *Be quiet, I have something to **say**.*
- ***Tell** me where you live.*
- *Stop **talking** and listen!*
- *The President refused to **speak** to the waiting journalists.*

Scared - Terrified/ Frightened/ Afraid

- *She is **scared** of going out alone.*
- *I'm **terrified** of losing you.*
- *I'm **frightened** of walking home alone in the dark.*
- *I started to feel **afraid** of going out alone at night.*

Shop - Store

- *There's a little gift **shop** around the corner.*
- *She worked in a grocery **store** before going to college.*

Shout - Scream/ Yell

- *I **shouted** for help but nobody came.*

- He **screamed** at me to stop.
- She **yelled** at the child to get down from the wall.

Shy - Bashful/ Timid/ Embarrassed

- She was too **shy** to ask anyone for help.
- She looked **bashful** when he asked her what she wanted.
- He stopped in the doorway, too **timid** to go in.
- He felt **embarrassed** at being the centre of attention.

Sick - Ill

- Her mother's very **sick**.
- Her father is seriously **ill** in St Luke's hospital.

Sincere - Honest

- He seemed **sincere** enough when he said he wanted to help.
- Give me your **honest** opinion.

Slim - Slender/ Thin

- She was tall and **slim**.
- She is **slender** and stylish.
- She was looking pale and **thin**.

Small - Little/ Tiny/ Diminutive

- They're having a relatively **small** wedding.
- She gave a **little** laugh.
- Only a **tiny** minority hold such extreme views.
- She was a diminutive figure beside her husband.

Smart - Brilliant/ Intelligent/ Clever/ Bright

- She's **smarter** than her brother.
- She has one of the most **brilliant** minds in the country.
- She asked a lot of **intelligent** questions.
- He's too **clever** by half, if you ask me.
- She's probably the **brightest** student in the class.

Smile - Grin

- He **smiled** with relief.
- They **grinned** with delight when they heard our news.

Sniff - Smell

- The dog **sniffed** at my shoes.
- I could **smell** alcohol on his breath.

Sordid - Dirty

- These were *the urban poor*, living in the **sordid** back streets and alleys of prosperous Victorian cities.
- She circled the bedroom, picking up dirty clothes.

Speech - Lecture

- He made the announcement in a **speech** on television.
- He regularly gives **lectures** on modern French literature.

Split - Divide

- She **split** the class into groups of four.
- A sentence can be **divided** up into meaningful segments.

Spooky - Scary/ Creepy

- It got a bit **spooky** when James started telling ghost stories.
- It was a really **scary** moment.
- It's kind of **creepy** down in the cellar!

Sprint - Run

- Three runners **sprinted** past.
- I had to **run** to catch the bus.

Stone - Rock

- The floors are made of **stone**.
- To build the tunnel, they had to cut through 500 feet of solid **rock**.

Story - Tale

- He read the children a **story**.
- His latest book is a delightful children's **tale** about talking animals.

Street - Highway

- The bank is just across the **street**.
- He took **highway** 314 heading north.

Suggest - Propose

- May I **suggest** a white wine with this dish, Sir?
- The government **proposed** changes to the voting system.

Sundown - Sunset

- The celebration begins at **sundown**.
- Every evening at **sunset** the flag was lowered.

Sure - Certain

- You don't sound very **sure**.

- She looks **certain** to win an Oscar.

Vocabulary (T)

Talkative - Communicative

- She was in a **talkative** mood.
- He wasn't very **communicative** and kept things to himself.

Taxi - Cab

- We'd better take a **taxi**.
- I took a **cab** to the airport.

Temper - Mood

- He *must* learn to control his **temper**.
- He's always in a bad **mood**.

Thankful - Grateful

- I was **thankful** to see they'd all arrived safely.
- I am extremely **grateful** to all the teachers for their help.

Think - Ponder/ Consider

- I didn't **think** you liked sports.
- The senator **pondered** the question for a moment.
- She **considered** her options.

Toss - Throw

- She **tossed** her jacket onto the bed.
- Some kids were **throwing** stones at the window.

Total - Entire/ Whole

- This bought the **total** number of accidents so far this year to 113.
- The **entire** village was destroyed.
- He spent the **whole** day writing.

Transform - Convert

- The photochemical reactions **transform** the light into electrical impulses.
- The hotel is going to be **converted** into a nursing home.

Trip - Journey

- We went on a **trip** to the mountains.
- They went on a long train **journey** across India.

Trust - Believe

- *You can **trust** me not to tell anyone.*
- *I **believed** his lies for years.*

Try - Attempt

- *I don't know if I can come but I'll **try**.*
- *I will **attempt** to answer all your questions.*

Trivial - Unimportant

- *I know it sounds trivial, but I'm worried about it.*
- *I was just a young girl from a small town and I felt very unimportant.*