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Suggested Use:

Step 1: Look at the vocabulary. Check any words that you don't know in your dictionary.

Step 2: Listen to the video. (Listen only. Don't look at the reading yet).

Step 3: Practice the vocabulary on Quizlet

Step 4: Watch the video again. This time look at the reading. Read and listen at the same time.

Step 5: Practice the vocabulary on Quizlet again.

Step 6: Listen one last time. The last time, don't look at the reading.

Vocabulary

able, add, alarm, alive, allow, alone, animal, at this point, attention, baby, bag, beast, beautiful, beautifully, bedroom, behind, believe, beside, betray, block, block view, blood, boat, bowl, breathe, bucket, burn, burn up, bury, carefully, castle, chair, church, closet, comfort, condition, continue, cooking, cost, courtyard, cover, crew, cup, curious, dance, dancing, danger, dangerous, dear, death, decide, deck, decorate, directly, directly opposite, disguise, dish, door, else, empty, enough, enter, exactly, excellent, except, excited, extremely, face, faithful, faithfulness, fall, fall in love, fantastic, fast, feel, figure, fill, fill heart with, finally, fly, force, forgive, front, full, full sail, get attention, glove, golden, goldsmith, grab, ground, grow, gun, hall, hang, happily, happily ever after, healthy, hear, heart, hide, high seas, hold back, hope, horrify, horse, immediately, in return, indeed, inside, instead, jealous, jump, keep an eye on, key, kick, kidnap, kill, kilogram, king, kingdom, kiss, land, last words, lay, leave alone, lie, locked, lose, magical, marry, master, matter, meanwhile, melt, melt down,

merchant, moreover, neck, no matter, no matter what, nobody, notice, object, on tiptoes, once, once upon a time, onward, opposite, outside, owe, paint, painting, pass, peace, perfect, pick, pick up, pillow, place, pocket, point, poison, pray, princess, prison, promise, protect, push, put on, queen, quickly, quiet, raven, reach, ready, reason, recognize, return, reward, ride, roof, royal, rub, sad, saddlebag, sadly, sail, save, sea, sentence, servant, set the sails, shape, ship, shirt, shocked, shoot, shore, should, shoulder, shout, sick, sky, someone else, son, speed, spend, spot, stairs, stay, stay behind, still, stone, storage, support, sword, take place, terrible, terror, the truth, throw, throw into prison, tiptoe, to death, ton, towards, treasure, trick, trust, truth, type, unconscious, unlock, upon, valuable, view, wake up, wedding, whole, wild, wonder, wonderful, worried, worry, worse, wrong

Proper Names

Faithful John

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Once upon a time, there was an old king who was very sick. He thought, "I am going to die soon." Then said, "Have someone bring Faithful John here to me."

Faithful John was his favorite servant. (A "*servant*" is someone who works and lives in someone else's house doing their cooking and cleaning). He was called "Faithful John" because he was always faithful to the king for his whole life. ("*Faithful*" is when you always help and support someone, no matter what.)

When Faithful John came to the king's bed, the king said to him, "Faithful John, I feel sick and I think that I will die soon. The only thing I am worried about is my son. He is still young, and I worry that he doesn't yet know the best way to live. Please promise that you will teach him everything he should know, and be like a father to him after I am dead. If you promise me this, then I can die in peace."

Faithful John answered, "I will always be faithful to your son, and never leave him. I promise to always protect him, even if it costs me my life."

At this, the old king said, "Then I will die in comfort and peace," adding, "After my death, show him the whole castle -- show him all the rooms, halls, and storage places, and also show him all the treasures which are in the castle. But do not show him the last room at the end of the long hall, which has the picture of the Princess of the Golden Roof inside it. If he sees that picture, he will fall so in love with the princess that he will do anything for her, even if it means putting his own life in danger. You must protect him from that."

"I will," said Faithful John. "I promise I will do everything you have asked."

And so, after Faithful John had once more given his promise to the old king, the old king laid his head down on his pillow and died.

After the old king had been buried in the ground, Faithful John went and spoke to the new king, and said, "I will be faithful to you just like I was faithful to your father, even if it costs me my life."

Then Faithful John showed the new young king all around the castle, just like he had promised he would. He took him everywhere, up and down, and let him see all the treasures and wonderful rooms. But there was one room that he did not open, the one that had the dangerous picture of the Princess of the Golden Roof.

Now, this picture was hung on the wall directly opposite the door, so that if someone opened the door to this room, they would be looking directly at the picture. The picture was only a painting, but it was painted so well that it seemed alive. The princess in the painting looked like she was actually living and breathing, and she looked like the most beautiful thing in the whole world.

The young king noticed that Faithful John always walked passed this one door without opening it, and he said, "Why do you never open this one for me?"

Faithful John answered, "Because there is something in there that is terrible."

The king answered, "I have seen the whole castle except for this room, and now I want to know what is in this room also." The king tried to open the door, but it was locked. Then the king kicked the door, and tried to break the door open by force.

Faithful John grabbed the king, and held him back, saying, "I promised your father before his death that you would never see inside this room. Please, do not go inside. There is something terrible in this room. If you go inside, terrible things will happen to both you and me."

But the king did not agree. "No!" answered the young king. "If I do not go in, it will be even more terrible. I will always be wondering what is inside this room. I will think about it all the time. I will not be able to sleep. I must see with my own eyes what is inside. I will stay right here in this spot and I will not leave here until you unlock the door."

At this point, Faithful John realized that there was no other way. He was very sad, but he took the key out of his pocket, and opened up the door. After opening the door, Faithful John went in first, thinking that he could block the king's view of the picture. But it didn't do any good. The king stood on his tiptoes and saw the picture over Faithful John's shoulder. After seeing the girl's picture the king fell to the ground unconscious. ("*Unconscious*" means to be in a condition like sleeping).

Faithful John picked the young king up, and carried him to his bed. He stayed with the king until the king woke up again.

Once the king woke up, his first words were, "Oh, who is the beautiful girl in the picture?"

"That is the Princess of the Golden Roof," answered Faithful John.

The king said, "My love for her is so great that I will do anything to win her heart. You are my most faithful friend, Faithful John. You must help me."

Faithful John thought for a long time, because the truth was that it was very difficult even to get to see the Princess of the Golden Roof. But finally Faithful John had an idea. Faithful John said to the king, "The Princess of the Golden Roof loves gold more than anything. Everything around her is gold. Her tables, chairs, dishes, cups, bowls, and everything in her house is made of gold. Now, in your treasures, that you got from your father, you have 5 tons of gold." (A "*ton*" is about 1000 kilograms). "Take all your gold, and have it melted down, and then have the goldsmiths make wonderful objects out of it. Have the goldsmiths make your gold into the shape of birds, and wild animals, and fantastic beasts. The Princess will love these things very much, and we can use them to try to get her attention."

So, the king brought together all the goldsmiths in the kingdom. (A "*goldsmith*" is someone who can make things from gold.) The king gave the goldsmiths all of his gold, and had them work day and night until at last they had made the gold into the most wonderful and beautiful things. Then, the king put everything onto a ship. (A "*ship*" is a big boat.) Faithful John went on the ship, and disguised himself as a merchant. (A "*merchant*" is someone whose job is to buy and sell things.) The young king also disguised himself as a merchant so that no one could recognize him. Then the king and Faithful John got into the ship, and they sailed

across the sea for many days until they came to the city where the Princess of the Golden Roof lived.

Faithful John asked the king to stay behind on the ship and wait for him. "I will try to bring the princess back with me," said Faithful John. "You stay on the ship and make sure that everything is ready. Be sure to decorate the whole ship with gold."

Then Faithful John put some of the beautiful golden objects in a bag, and took one of the smaller boats, and went on to the shore and walked straight to the royal castle. When he entered the courtyard of the castle, he saw a beautiful girl getting water out of the well with a golden bucket. She was just turning around to carry away the water when she saw Faithful John and asked who he was.

Faithful John answered, "I am a merchant," and he opened up his bag to show her all the beautiful golden objects he had brought.

"Oh, what beautiful golden things," cried the girl, putting her bucket down and looking at the golden objects one after the other. Then the girl said, "The princess must see these things. She really loves golden things, and she will buy all you have." The girl took Faithful John by the hand and led him up the stairs to the Princess's room, for the girl was the princess's servant.

When the princess saw the golden objects, she was very happy and said, "They are so beautifully made that I will buy them all from you."

But Faithful John said, "I am only the servant of a rich merchant. The things that I have here are only a few of the things that my master has. In fact, all of our best and most beautiful things are back on our ship. They are the most beautiful and valuable things that have ever been made from gold."

The princess was very excited, and she wanted everything brought to her. But Faithful John said, "There are so many things that it would take many days to bring them all here from our ship. And even if we had enough days, there are so many things that we would need many rooms to put them in. Your house is not big enough."

This made the princess even more curious, and she wanted to see the things even more. So at last she said, "Take me to your ship. I will go there myself and see all these beautiful golden things."

So Faithful John happily brought her to the ship, and when she got to the ship, the king was able to see her for the first time, and when the king saw her, he thought that she was even more beautiful than the picture, and his heart grew so big that he thought it would break. The king brought the princess inside the ship, to see all of the beautiful golden things inside the ship's rooms. But Faithful John stayed behind on the deck of the ship. (The "*deck*" is the top floor of a ship that is not covered.) And once the princess had gone inside the ship, Faithful John ordered the ship to sail into the sea, saying to the crew, "Set all the sails and go as fast as you can."

Meanwhile, the king and the princess were inside the ship, and the king was showing the princess all the wonderful golden things that the goldsmiths had made. There were many golden animals and golden beasts, and the princess wanted to look at each one. They spent many hours

inside of the ship looking at the golden things, and the princess was so interested that she didn't notice that the ship was sailing away.

After the princess had seen everything, she thanked the merchant and wanted to go home. But when she came to the outside of the ship, she saw that it was on the high seas far from land, and speeding onward at full sail.

"Oh!" she cried in alarm "I've been tricked. I've been kidnapped by this merchant!"

Taking her by the hand, the king said, "I am not really a merchant. I am a king. I know I have tricked you into coming with me, but it is only because of my great love for you. The first time I saw your picture, I was so in love that I fell to the ground unconscious. I want you to marry me and to be my queen."

When the Princess of the Golden Roof heard this, she was comforted, and moreover she also fell in love with the king, and she agreed to marry him.

Meanwhile, Faithful John went to sit at the front of the ship, and began making music. While he was making music, Faithful John saw three ravens flying through the air towards them. ("Ravens" are a type of black bird. Some people believe that ravens have magical powers and can see the future.) The ravens were talking to each other, and Faithful John stopped making music so that he could listen to them. Faithful John actually could understand the language of birds, so he understood what the ravens were saying.

The first raven said, "Oh look, the king is carrying home the Princess of the Golden Roof."

"Yes," said the second raven, "but he doesn't have her yet."

The third one said, "Yes, he does. She is sitting beside him in the ship."

Then the first raven said, "What good will that do him? I can see the future, and when they reach land, a beautiful horse will come down to meet the king, and the king will want to ride it. But if the king rides it, the horse will fly into the sky, and take the king with him, and the king will never see his princess again."

"Oh no!" said the second raven. "Is there no hope then?"

"Well, there is a small hope," said the first raven. "If someone else quickly gets on the horse before the king does, there is a gun in its saddlebag. If someone takes the gun from its saddlebag, and shoots the horse dead, then the young king will be saved. But nobody knows that, and if anyone did know that, and told it to the king, he would be turned into stone."

Then the second raven said, "Actually, it's even worse than that. I can also see into the future, and even if the horse is killed, the king still will not be able to keep his princess. Because, when they go into the castle together, there is a beautiful shirt that is lying on a table. It looks like it's made of gold and silver, but actually it is made of poison. If the king puts on the shirt, the shirt will burn him to death."

"Oh no!" said the third raven. "Is there no hope then?"

"Well, there is a small hope," said the second raven. "If someone is wearing gloves, and they pick up the shirt and throw it into the fire before the king can put it on, then the king will be

saved. But nobody knows that, and if anyone did know that, and told it to the king, he would be turned into stone."

Then the third raven said, "Actually, it's even worse than that. I can also see into the future, and even if the shirt is burned up, the king will still lose his princess. After the wedding, when the dancing begins, and the young queen starts dancing, she will suddenly turn get sick and fall down as if she were dead. The only way to save her is for someone to kiss her on the mouth. But nobody knows that, and if anyone did know that, and told it to the king, he would be turned into stone."

After the ravens had spoken, they flew away. Faithful John had understood everything they said, but he didn't know what to do, and for a long time he was quiet and sad. If he kept everything a secret, then bad things would happen to the king. But if he tried to tell the king, then he would be turned into stone. Finally he said to himself, "I will save my king, even if it means dying myself."

When they landed, everything the ravens had said did indeed happen, and a beautiful horse came down to meet the king.

"Excellent!" said the king. "What a beautiful horse! He will carry me to my castle."

The king was about to get on the horse, when Faithful John pushed the king away, quickly jumped onto the horse, took the gun out from its saddlebag, and shot the horse dead.

Everyone was shocked. All the king's other servants (who were jealous of how much the king loved Faithful John), shouted, "You are a bad servant Faithful John! Why did you kill this beautiful animal that the king wanted to ride home to his castle?"

But the king said, "Be quiet and leave him alone. Faithful John is my most faithful servant. I'm sure he had a good reason for doing what he did."

Later, when everyone got back into the castle, there was a beautiful shirt lying on the table. "Ah, what a beautiful shirt," said the king. "This will be the perfect thing to wear at my wedding." The young king went towards the shirt, and was about to pick it up, but Faithful John pushed him away, picked up the shirt with gloves, carried it quickly to the fire, and burned it up.

The other servants again began to talk, "Look, now Faithful John is even burning up the king's wedding shirt."

But the king said, "I'm sure he had a good reason. Leave him alone. Faithful John is my most faithful servant."

Later, the wedding took place. When the dancing began, the princess also danced with everyone. Faithful John watched her carefully and kept a close eye on her face. Suddenly the princess's face turned white, and she fell to the ground as if she were dead. Faithful John ran quickly to her, picked her up, and carried her into an empty room. Then he put her down on the bed, and kissed her on the mouth. Immediately the princess started breathing again and woke up. But the young king had seen everything that had happened, and he did not understand why Faithful John had done it. "Faithful John," shouted the king, "Why did you kiss my wife?" But Faithful John stayed quiet, so the king grew angry and shouted, "Throw him into prison."

The next morning, the king decided that Faithful John would die. As Faithful John was taken to the place where he would be killed, he said, "Everyone who is sentenced to die is allowed to say some last words. May I too say some last words?"

"Yes," answered the king. "You may say some last words."

Faithful John said, "I know you think that I betrayed you by kissing your queen. But you are wrong. I have always been faithful to you." And then Faithful John told the king the whole story about how he had heard the ravens talking at sea, and how he had done everything in order to save the king and the queen.

When the king heard this, and when he had understood everything, the king said, "Oh, Faithful John, forgive me. Forgive me."

But it was too late. For as Faithful John spoke his last words, he turned to stone. This was exactly what the ravens had said would happen--anyone who told the king the secrets would turn into stone.

The king and the queen were then extremely sad. And the king said, "Oh, what a bad king I am! Faithful John was very faithful to me. I should have rewarded him, but instead I did not trust him." The king then ordered the stone figure of Faithful John to be placed in his bedroom next to his bed. Every time that he looked at the stone figure, he cried, saying, "Oh, if only I could bring you back to life again, my dear Faithful John."

Many years passed. The king and the queen had two baby boys, and these babies grew into children. The queen loved them very much. Then, one day, when the queen was at church and the two children were sitting beside their father and playing, he again looked sadly at the stone figure and said, "Oh, if only I could bring you back to life again, my dear Faithful John."

Then the stone figure began to speak and said, "You can bring me back to life again if you will in return give up what is most important to you."

The king said, "For you, Faithful John, I will give up everything I have in the world."

The stone figure continued, "If you will cut off the heads of your two children with your own hand, then put their blood on me, I will return to life."

The king was horrified when he heard that he would have to kill his own dearest children, but he thought of how Faithful John had always been faithful to him, and how Faithful John had even died for him. And so, the king took out his sword, and with his own hands he cut off his children's heads. And then he took the blood from his children's heads, and put the blood all over the stone figure. And then, Faithful John came back to life, and once again stood before the king healthy and well.

Then Faithful John said to the king, "Now, you have been faithful to me. I will reward you for your faithfulness." Then Faithful John took the children's heads, and put them back on their bodies. And at the place where the necks had been cut, Faithful John rubbed their necks with his hands. And the children immediately became whole again, and went on playing as if nothing had happened.

The king was very happy. When he saw the queen coming, he hid Faithful John and the two children in the closet. When the queen came in the room, he said to her, "Have you been praying in the church?"

"Yes, she answered, "but I always think about Faithful John, and the sad thing that happened to him because of us"

Then he said, "Dear wife, we can give him his life again, but we must lose our two little children."

The queen turned white, and her heart was filled with terror, but she said, "Then we must do it. We owe it to Faithful John for his great faithfulness."

The king was happy to hear that she agreed with him, then he opened up the closet and out came Faithful John and the two children. The king said, "Good news. We now have Faithful John back, and we have our two little children back again as well." And then the king told his wife everything that had happened. And they all lived happily ever after.



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2. What is the name for someone who can make objects out of gold?
3. What did Faithful John and the King disguise themselves as?
4. What did Faithful John see while he was making music at the front of the ship?
5. What is inside the saddlebag of the beautiful horse?
6. What will happen if the king puts on the shirt that is lying on the table?
7. What will happen to someone if they tell the king about the horse, the shirt, or the queen's sickness?
8. How did the other servants feel about Faithful John?
9. Where did the king order the stone figure of Faithful John to be placed?
10. Where did the king hide Faithful John and his two children?

Answers

1. What was in the last room at the end of the long hall?
A picture of the Princess of the Golden Roof
2. What is the name for someone who can make objects out of gold?
A goldsmith
3. What did Faithful John and the King disguise themselves as?
Merchants
4. What did Faithful John see while he was making music at the front of the ship?
3 ravens
5. What is inside the saddlebag of the beautiful horse?
A gun
6. What will happen if the king puts on the shirt that is lying on the table?
The shirt will burn him to death.
7. What will happen to someone if they tell the king about the horse, the shirt, or the queen's sickness?
They will be turned to stone
8. How did the other servants feel about Faithful John?
They were jealous of how much the king loved Faithful John.
9. Where did the king order the stone figure of Faithful John to be placed?
In his bedroom next to his bed.
10. Where did the king hide Faithful John and his two children?
In the closet

Vocabulary

able - to have the ability to do something or the possibility of doing something:
He'll be able to help you.

add - to say another thing:
She said she liked him but added that he was difficult to work with.

alarm - a sudden feeling of fear or worry that something bad might happen:
There's no need for alarm-it is completely safe.

alive - living, not dead:
Are your grandparents still alive?

allow - to give someone permission for something:
Smoking is not allowed in the restaurant.

alone - without other people:
She lives alone.

animal - something that lives and moves but is not a person, bird, fish, or insect:
She's a real animal lover.

at this point - At the present moment; right now; currently:
At this point, we are the best ranked football team in the country.

attention - the state of watching, listening to, or thinking about something carefully or with interest:
Ladies and gentlemen, could I have your attention, please?

baby - a very young child:
Liz has had a baby.

bag - a container made of paper, plastic, etc, used for carrying things:
He packed his bags and left.

beast - an animal, especially a large or wild one:
I love lions, tigers and other wild beasts.

beautiful - very attractive:

She is a beautiful woman.

beautifully - beautiful adverb form:

She sings beautifully.

bedroom - a room used for sleeping in:

I sneaked into his bedroom while he was asleep.

behind - at or to the back of someone or something:

Close the door behind you.

believe - to think that something is true, or that what someone says is true:

They believed that their health has suffered because of the chemicals.

beside - next to someone or something, or very near them:

She knelt beside his bed.

betray - to behave in a dishonest or cruel way to someone who trusts you:

When I heard what he had said about me, I felt betrayed.

block - to prevent anyone or anything from passing through a place:

A fallen tree blocked the road.

block view - to be between someone and the thing they are looking at, so that they cannot see:

A pillar was blocking my view.

blood - the red liquid that flows around your body:

Your heart pumps blood around your body.

boat - a vehicle for travelling on water:

This is a fishing boat.

bowl - a round, deep dish used for holding soup and other food:

Put the chocolate, butter, and egg in a bowl and mix them all together.

breathe - to take air into and out of your lungs:

Doctors gave him oxygen to help him breathe.

bucket - a round, open container with a handle used for carrying liquids:
This is a bucket of water.

burn - to destroy something with fire, or to be destroyed by fire:
I burned all his letters.

burn up - to destroy something completely, or to be destroyed completely by fire or heat:
The satellite will burn up when it enters the atmosphere.

bury - to put a dead body into the ground:
He was buried next to his wife.

carefully - adverb form of careful: giving a lot of attention to what you are doing so that you do not have an accident, make a mistake, or damage something:
He gave a carefully prepared speech.

castle - a large, strong building with towers and high walls, that was built in the past to protect the people inside from being attacked:
There was a flag flying above the castle.

chair - a seat for one person, with a back, usually four legs, and sometimes two arms:
Flint leaned back in his chair.

church - a building where Christians go to worship God:
We used to go to church every Sunday morning.

closet - a large cupboard for keeping clothes in

comfort - a pleasant feeling of being relaxed and having no pain:
The car has been designed for practicality, safety, and comfort.

comfort - to make someone feel better when they are anxious or sad:
The family of the dead are being comforted by friends.

condition - the state that something or someone is in:
My bike's a few years old but it's in really good condition.

continue - to start doing or saying something again, after stopping for a short period:
"Ever since then," he continued, "I've been afraid of heights."

cooking - the activity of preparing or cooking food:

I do most of the cooking.

cost - something that you give or lose, in order to get or achieve something else:

He rescued four people at the cost of his own life.

courtyard - an open area by a building with walls or buildings around it

cover - to put something over something else, in order to protect or hide it:

The shelf was covered in a thick layer of dust.

crew - the people who work together on a ship, aircraft, or train:

He is a crew member.

cup - a small, round container with a handle on the side, used to drink from:

This is a cup of coffee.

curious - wanting to know or learn about something:

I was curious about his life in India.

dance - to move your feet and body to the rhythm of music:

She's dancing with Steven.

dancing - the activity of dancing for pleasure or in order to entertain others:

There will be folk music, singing, and dancing.

danger - the possibility that someone or something will be harmed or killed, or that something bad will happen:

The soldiers were in serious danger.

dangerous - If someone or something is dangerous, they could harm you:

It's dangerous to ride a motorcycle without a helmet.

dear - A dear person is someone who you know and like very much:

He's one of my dearest friends.

death - the end of life:

Do you believe in life after death?

decide - to choose something after thinking about several possibilities:
I haven't decided whether or not to tell him.

deck - the top floor of a ship that is not covered

decorate - to make something look more attractive by putting things on it or around it:
They decorated the room with balloons for her party.

directly - with no other person or thing involved or between:
Why don't you speak to him directly?

directly opposite - exactly or immediately opposite:
She was sitting directly opposite me.

disguise - to change your appearance/voice, etc so that people cannot recognize you:
He managed to escape by disguising himself as a woman.

dish - a curved container for eating or serving food from:
This is a baking dish.

door - the part of a building, room, vehicle, or piece of furniture that you open or close to get inside it or out of it:
Please shut the door behind you.

else - different from someone or something:
I don't like it here. Let's go somewhere else.

empty - If something is empty, it does not contain any things or people:
The train was completely empty when it reached London.

enough - as much as is necessary:
They had enough fuel for one week.

enter - to come or go into a place:
The police entered by the back door.

exactly - used when you are giving or asking for information that is completely correct:
The train got in at exactly ten o'clock.

excellent - very good, or of a very high quality:

That was an excellent meal.

except - not including a particular fact, thing, or person:

Everyone passed the exam except for Rory.

excited - feeling very happy and enthusiastic:

The children are getting really excited about the party.

extremely - very, or much more than usual:

We all studied extremely hard for the exam.

face - the front part of the head where the eyes, nose, and mouth are, or the expression on this part:

She's got a long, thin face.

faithful - always loyal:

This is his trusted and faithful servant.

faithfulness - faithful--noun form

fall - to move down towards the ground:

Huge drops of rain were falling from the sky.

fall in love - to start to love someone romantically:

I was 20 when I first remember falling in love.

fantastic - very strange and probably not true:

He told us fantastic stories about monsters and witches.

fast - moving, happening, or doing something quickly:

Computers are getting faster all the time.

feel - to experience an emotion or a physical feeling:

You shouldn't feel embarrassed about making a mistake.

figure - the shape of someone's body:

She's got a good figure for her age

fill - to make a container or space full, or to become full:
He filled the bucket with water.

fill heart with - to make someone feel very angry/happy/proud, etc:
The thought of losing him filled her heart with fear.

finally - after a long time or some difficulty:
We finally got home just after midnight.

fly - When a bird, insect, aircraft, etc flies, it moves through the air:
The plane was flying at 5000 feet.

force - physical power or strength:
The army has seized power by force.

forgive - to decide not to be angry with someone or not to punish them for something they have done:
I've apologized, but I don't think she'll ever forgive me.

front - the part of something that is furthest forward:
We asked to sit in the front of the plane.

full - the greatest speed/strength/volume, etc possible:
We were driving at full speed.

full sail - a ship or boat moving through the water by using all of its sails:
We made good time going at full sail.

get attention - to make someone notice you:
I waved at him to get his attention.

glove - a piece of clothing that covers your fingers and hand:
This is a pair of gloves.

golden - made of gold:
This is a golden ring.

goldsmith - someone who makes objects from gold

grab - to take hold of something or someone suddenly:
He grabbed my arm and pulled me away.

ground - the surface of the Earth:
I sat down on the ground.

grow - to develop and become bigger or taller as time passes:
Children grow very quickly.

gun - a weapon that you fire bullets out of:
He fired his gun into the air.

hall - a room or passage in a building, which leads to other rooms:
I left my coat and umbrella in the hall.

hang - to fasten something so that the top part is fixed but the lower part is free to move, or to be fastened in this way:
Please hang your coat on the hook behind the door.

happily - in a happy way:
They are happily married.

happily ever after - a stock phrase used in fairy tales to signify a happy ending.

healthy - physically strong and well:
Sue is a normal healthy child.

hear - to be aware of a sound through your ears:
I could hear his voice in the distance.

heart - the organ inside your chest that sends blood around your body:
Isabel's heart was beating fast.

hide - to put something in a place where it cannot be seen or found:
I will hide the money in a vase.

high seas - the seas that are not controlled by any country:

The rising problem of piracy on the high seas has led the Foreign Officer Minister to call for global action.

hold back - to prevent someone or something from moving forward:

The police will hold back the protesters.

hope - a positive feeling about the future, or something that you want to happen:

What are your hopes and dreams for the future?

horrify - to make someone feel very shocked:

I was horrified to hear about your accident.

horse - a large animal with four legs, which people ride or use to pull heavy things:

The horse jumped the last fence.

immediately - now or without waiting or thinking about something:

You have to come home immediately.

in return - in exchange for something or as a reaction to something:

I'd like to give them something in return for everything they've done for us.

indeed - used to emphasize that something is true or that you agree with it:

"He sounds a very interesting man." "He is indeed."

inside - in or into a room, building, container, etc:

She opened the drawer and laid the scarf inside.

instead - in the place of someone or something else:

If you don't want pizza, we can have pasta instead.

jealous - unhappy and angry because you want something that someone else has:

His new bike was making his friends jealous.

jump - to push your body up and away from the ground using your feet and legs:

The children were jumping up and down with excitement.

keep an eye on - to watch or look after someone or something:

Could you keep an eye on this pan of soup for a moment?

key - a piece of metal cut into a particular shape and used for locking things such as doors, or for starting an engine:

I've lost my car keys.

kick - to hit or move something or someone with your foot:

She kicked me in the stomach.

kidnap - to take someone away using force, usually to obtain money in exchange for releasing them

kill - to make someone or something die:

Sunday's bomb killed 19 people.

kilogram - a unit for measuring weight, equal to 1000 grams

king - a male ruler in some countries:

These are the kings and queens of England.

kingdom - a country with a king or queen:

This is the kingdom of Belgium.

kiss - to press your lips against another person's lips or skin to show love or affection:

He kissed her cheek.

land - the surface of the Earth that is not sea:

I want to travel over land and sea.

land - If a ship or airplane lands, it arrives on the ground after a journey, and if you land it, you make it arrive on the ground:

We should land in Madrid at 7 a.m.

last words - the last thing that someone says before they die

lay - to put something down somewhere carefully:

She laid the baby on the bed.

leave alone - to stop talking to someone or annoying them:

Leave him alone, he's tired.

lie - to be in a horizontal or flat position on a surface:

He was lying on his back.

lock - to fasten something with a key, or to be fastened with a key:

Did you lock the door?

lose - to stop having someone or something that you had before:

I hope he doesn't lose his job.

magical - with special powers:

Diamonds were once thought to have magical powers.

marry - to begin a legal relationship with someone as their husband or wife:

Will you marry me?

master - In the past, a servant's master was the man that they worked for.

matter - a subject or situation that you need to think about, discuss, or deal with:

I've been thinking about this matter for a long time.

meanwhile - in the time between two things happening, or while something else is happening:

The mother is ill. The child, meanwhile, is living with foster parents.

melt - If something melts, it changes from a solid into a liquid because of heat and if you melt something, you heat it until it becomes liquid:

The sun soon melted the ice on the pond.

melt down - If you melt something down, especially a metal object, you heat it until it changes to liquid.

merchant - someone whose job is buying and selling goods, usually in large amounts:

He is a wine merchant.

moreover - also:

It is a cheap and, moreover, effective way of dealing with the problem.

neck - the part of the body between your head and your shoulders:

He was wearing a gold chain around his neck.

no matter - it is of no importance.
No matter, I'll go myself.

no matter what - used to emphasize that something cannot be changed:
I never manage to lose any weight, no matter what I do.

nobody - no person:
There was nobody I could talk to.

notice - to see something and be aware of it:
If the sign's too small, no one will notice it.

object - a thing that you can see or touch but that is usually not alive:
It was a bright, shiny object.

on tiptoes - standing on your toes with the rest of your feet off the ground

once - in the past, but not now:
This house once belonged to my grandfather.

once upon a time - used at the beginning of a children's story to mean that something happened a long time ago

onward - If you move onwards, you continue to go forwards.

opposite - in a position facing something or someone but on the other side:
Look at the picture on the opposite page.

outside - the outer part or surface of something:
The pie was cooked on the outside but cold in the middle.

owe - to have to give something to someone because they deserve it:
I think I owe you an apology.

paint - to produce a picture of something or someone using paint:
I learned to paint in Italy.

painting - a picture that someone has painted:
The museum houses a huge collection of paintings.

pass - If a period of time passes, it happens:
Four years have passed since that day.

pass - to go past something or someone:
She passed me this morning in the corridor.

peace - a feeling that you do not need to worry about anything:
We lock our doors and windows at night for peace of mind.

perfect - exactly right for someone or something:
You'd be perfect for the job.

pick - to choose something or someone:
Do you want to help me pick some numbers for my lottery ticket?

pick up - to lift something or someone by using your hands:
He picked his coat up off the floor.

pillow - a soft object that you rest your head on in bed

place - a position, building, town, area, etc:
Is there a place where we can talk privately?

place - to put something somewhere carefully:
She placed a large dish in front of me.

pocket - a small bag that is sewn or fixed onto or into a piece of clothing, a bag, the back of a seat, etc:
He was asked to empty his pockets.

point - an opinion, idea, or fact that someone says or writes:
Could I make a point about noise levels?

poison - a substance that can make you sick or kill you if you eat or drink it:
Someone had put poison in her drink.

pray - to speak to a god in order to show your feelings or to ask for something:
Let us pray for all the sick children.

princess - the daughter of a king or queen

prison - a place where criminals are kept as a punishment:
He's spent most of his life in prison.

promise - to say that you will certainly do something or that something will certainly happen:
She promised to write to me every week.

protect - to keep someone or something safe from something dangerous or bad:
It's important to protect your skin from the harmful effects of the sun.

push - to move someone or something by pressing them with your hands or body:
She pushed the books aside and sat down on my desk.

put on - to put clothes or shoes onto your body:
You'd better put your coat on, it's cold outside.

queen - a female ruler in some countries:
This is Queen Elizabeth II.

quickly - fast or in a short time:
I quickly shut the door.

quiet - making little or no noise:
Can you be quiet, please?

raven - a large, black bird

reach - to arrive somewhere:
We won't reach Miami till five or six o'clock.

ready - prepared for doing something:
Give me a call when you're ready.

reason - the facts about why something happens or why someone does something:
I knew Sam was going - that was the reason I went there.

recognize - to know someone or something because you have seen or experienced them before:
I recognized her from her picture.

return - to go back to a previous condition:
Life has begun to return to normal now that the war is over.

reward - to give a reward to someone:
She was rewarded for her bravery.

ride - to travel by sitting on a horse, bicycle, or motorcycle and controlling it:
I ride my bike to work.

roof - the surface that covers the top of a building or vehicle:
He climbed onto the roof.

royal - relating to a queen or king and their family:
This is the British royal family

rub - to press your hand or a cloth on a surface and move it backwards and forwards:
She rubbed her hands together to warm them.

sad - unhappy or making you feel unhappy:
I was very sad when our cat died.

saddlebag - a small bag that you fix to the back of your bicycle saddle, or one of a pair of bags that you put over the back of a horse or over the back wheel of a bicycle or motorcycle

sadly - in a sad way:
She shook her head sadly.

sail - to travel in a boat or a ship:
We sailed to Malta.

sail - a large piece of material that is fixed to a pole on a boat to catch the wind and make the boat move

save - to stop someone or something from being killed or destroyed:
He was badly injured, but the doctors saved his life.

sea - a large area of salt water:

I'd like to live by the sea.

sentence - to give a punishment to someone who has committed a crime:

She was sentenced to six months in prison.

servant - someone who works and lives in someone else's house doing their cooking and cleaning, especially in the past

set the sails - to spread out the sails of a ship so that they can catch the wind

shape - the physical form of something made by the line around its outer edge:

You can recognize trees by the shape of their leaves.

ship - a large boat that carries people or goods by sea:

This ship sails weekly from Florida to the Bahamas.

shirt - a piece of clothing worn on the top part of the body, often made of thin material like cotton and fastened with buttons down the front:

She picked out a red shirt for me to try on.

shock - to surprise and upset someone:

Many people were shocked by the violent scenes in the film.

shoot - to injure or kill a person or animal by firing a bullet from a gun at them:

The soldiers started shooting into the crowd.

shore - the area of land along the edge of the sea or a lake:

They had to abandon the boat and swim back to shore.

should - used to say or ask what is the correct or best thing to do:

He should have gone to the doctor.

shoulder - where your arm joins your body next to your neck:

She looked over her shoulder.

shout - to say something very loudly:

"Look out!" she shouted.

sick - ill:

He was off work sick for most of last week.

sky - the area above the Earth where you can see clouds, the sun, the moon, etc:

It was a beautiful, blue sky.

someone else - a different person:

Sorry, I thought you were talking to someone else.

son - your male child:

Jenny has a grown-up son of 24.

speed - to move somewhere or happen very fast:

That car is speeding away.

spend - to use time doing something or being somewhere:

He is going to spend 18 months working on the project.

spot - a place:

We found a good spot to sit and have our picnic.

stairs - a set of steps from one level in a building to another:

She picked up the child and carried him down the stairs.

stay - to continue to be in a place, job, etc and not leave:

The weather was bad so we stayed at home.

stay behind - to not leave a place when other people leave:

I stayed behind after class to speak to the teacher.

still - used to say that something is continuing to happen now or that someone is continuing to do something now:

He's still here if you want to speak to him.

used to say that something continues to be possible:

We could still catch the train if we leave now.

stone - a hard, natural substance that is found in the ground:

The statue was carved out of stone.

storage - If things are in storage, they have been put in a safe place until they are needed:

We had to put our furniture into storage.

support - to agree with an idea, group, or person:

Do you support their views on nuclear weapons?

sword - a weapon with a long, metal blade and a handle, used especially in the past

take place - to happen:

The meeting will take place next week.

terrible - very bad, of low quality, or unpleasant:

The weather was terrible.

the truth - the real facts about a situation:

Do you think he was telling the truth?

throw - to make something move through the air by pushing it out of your hand:

Amy likes to throw the ball to the dog.

throw into prison - To suddenly or forcefully put someone or something into prison:

I hope they throw that no-good senator into prison for this.

tiptoes - the ends of the toes

to death - until you die:

He was beaten to death by a gang of youths.

terror - a feeling of being very frightened:

There was a look of terror on his face.

ton - a unit for measuring weight, equal to 1016 kilograms in the UK and 907 kilograms in the US

towards - in the direction of someone or something:

She stood up and walked towards him.

treasure - a collection of gold, silver, jewellery, and valuable objects, especially in children's stories:

This is buried treasure.

trick - to deceive someone:

They tricked him into signing the papers.

trust - to believe that someone is good and honest and will not harm you:

My sister warned me not to trust him.

truth - the quality of being true:

There may be some truth in their claim.

type - a person or thing that is part of a group of people or things that have similar qualities, or a group of people or things that have similar qualities:

They sell over 20 different types of cheese.

unconscious - in a state as though you are sleeping, for example because you have been hit on the head:

She was knocked unconscious.

unlock - to open something which is locked using a key

upon - on

The jar had been placed upon the table.

valuable - valuable objects could be sold for a lot of money:

His home is full of valuable antiques.

view - how well you can see something from a particular place:

We had a great view of the procession.

wake up - to stop sleeping or to make someone else stop sleeping:

I usually wake up at 7 a.m.

wedding - an official ceremony at which a man and woman get married:

We're going to a wedding on Saturday.

whole - complete, including every part:
She spent the whole afternoon studying.

wild - A wild animal or plant lives or grows in its natural environment and not where people live:
Most wild otters have disappeared from populated areas, to say nothing of wilderness areas.

wonder - to want to know something or to try to understand the reason for something:
I wonder what he's making for dinner.

wonderful - very good:
We had a wonderful time in Spain.

worried - anxious because you are thinking about problems or unpleasant things that might happen:
She's really worried about her son.

worry - to think about problems or unpleasant things that might happen in a way that makes you feel anxious:
Don't worry - she'll be all right.

worse - comparative of bad : more unpleasant or difficult than something else that is also bad:
The exam was worse than I expected.

wrong - not correct:
That is the wrong answer.













