

### ✓✓ Unit 6A

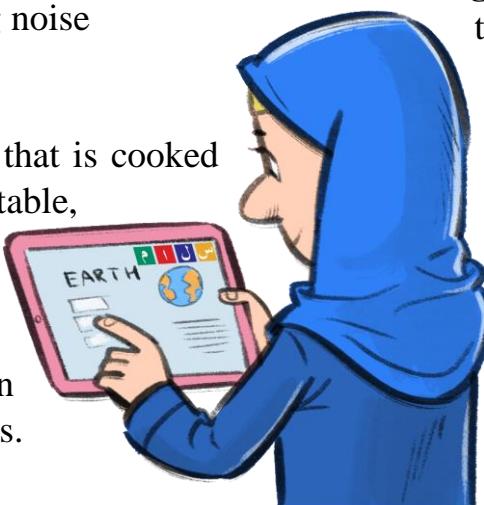
1. Accustomed /ə'kʌstəmd/ adjective  
 If you are accustomed to something, you know it so well or have experienced it so often that it seems natural, unsurprising, or easy to deal with.  
**E.g.:** I was accustomed to being the only child at a table full of adults

2. Buzz /bʌz/ verb  
 to make a continuous sound, like the sound of a bee.  
**E.g.:** a loud buzzing noise

3. Pea /pi:/ noun  
 a round green seed that is cooked and eaten as a vegetable, or the plant on which these seeds grow.  
**E.g.:** roast chicken with peas and carrots.

4. Segmented /seg'mentɪd/ adjective  
 consisting of separate parts that are connected to each other.  
**E.g.:** segmented worms

5. Meditate /'mediteɪt/ verb  
 to think seriously and deeply about something.  
**E.g.:** She sat quietly, meditating on the day's events.



6. Vivid /'vɪvɪd/ adjective  
 vivid memories, dreams, descriptions etc are so clear that they seem real  
**OPP** vague

**E.g.:** I've got vivid memories of that summer.

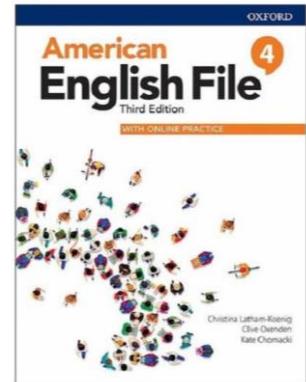
7. Surround /sə'raond/ verb  
 to be all around someone or something on every side.  
**E.g.:** The field was surrounded by trees.

8. Artificial /ˌa:tɪ'fiʃəl / \$ ˌa:r-/ adjective  
 not real or not made of natural things but made to be like something that is real or natural  
**SYN** false  
**OPP** natural

**E.g.:** artificial flowers

9. Achieve /ə'tʃi:v/ verb  
 to successfully complete something or get a good result, especially by working hard.  
**E.g.:** She eventually achieved her goal of becoming a professor.

10. Arguably /'a:gjuəbli / \$ ˌa:r-/ adverb  
 used when giving your opinion to say that there are good reasons why something might be true.  
**E.g.:** Senna was arguably the greatest racing driver of all time.



### 11. Doubt /daut/ noun

a feeling of being not sure whether something is true or right.

**E.g.:** The incident raises doubts about the safety of nuclear power.

### 12. Relieved /ri'li:vd/ adjective

feeling happy because you are no longer worried about something.

**E.g.:** She looked immensely relieved when she heard the news.

### 13. Reward /ri'wɔ:d \$ -'wɔ:rd/ noun

something that you get because you have done something good or helpful or have worked hard.

**E.g.:** The school has a system of rewards and punishments to encourage good behaviour.

### 14. Solitude /'sɒlitju:d \$ 'sa:litu:d/ noun

when you are alone, especially when this is what you enjoy.

**E.g.:** Carl spent the morning in solitude.

### 15. the foreground

the part of the view in a picture or a photograph that is closest to you when you are looking at it.

#### OPP background

**E.g.:** There were three figures in the foreground.

### 16. Grading

/'greɪdɪŋ/ noun

the process of judging something and saying officially what its size or quality is.

**E.g.:** Canada's grading system for grain.

### 17. Nap /næp/ noun

a short sleep, especially during the day.

**E.g.:** I usually take a nap after lunch.

### 18. Snore /sno: \$ sno:r/ verb

to breathe in a noisy way through your mouth and nose while you are asleep.

**E.g.:** He could hear the old man snoring.

### 19. Jackhammer /'dʒæk,hæmə \$ -ər/ noun

American English

a large powerful tool used to break hard materials such as the surface of a road.

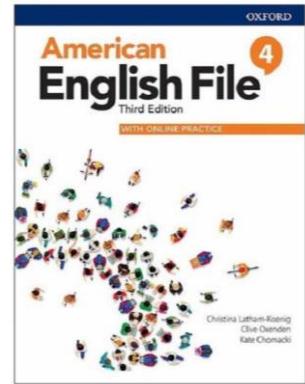
**SYN** **pneumatic drill** **British English.**

**E.g.:** My responsibility button was being hit with the force of a jackhammer.

### 20. Pressure /'preʃə \$ -ər/ noun

the force or weight that is being put on to something.

**E.g.:** The pressure of the water turns the wheel.



**21. Pillow /'pɪləʊ/ \$ -lou/ noun**

a cloth bag filled with soft material that you put your head on when you are sleeping.

**E.g.:** I'll be asleep as soon as my head hits the pillow.

**22. dust mite /'dʌst 'maɪt/ /'dʌst 'maɪt/ noun**

a very small insect that lives in beds, carpets, curtains, etc. and can make people sneeze or have a runny nose or sore skin if they have an allergy to them.

**E.g.:** Immunologic responses following respiratory sensitization to house dust mite allergens in mice.

**23. Insomnia /ɪn'sɒmniə/ \$ in'sa:m-/ noun**

if you suffer from insomnia, you are not able to sleep.

**E.g.:** My mother was alarmed by my fits of weeping and chronic insomnia.

**24. Nightmare /'naɪtmeə/ \$ -mer/ noun**  
a very frightening dream.

**E.g.:** a recurring nightmare.

**25. sleep like a log idiom**

to sleep very well, without being woken by any noises.

**E.g.:** I slept like a log – I didn't even hear the thunderstorm.

**26. Column /'kɒləm/ \$ 'ka:/ - noun**

a line of numbers or words written under each other that goes down a page.

**E.g.:** Add up the numbers in each column.

**27. Feather /'feðə/ \$ -ər/ noun**

one of the light soft things that cover a bird's body.

**E.g.:** an ostrich feather

**28. Obsessive /əb'sesɪv/ adjective**

thinking or worrying about something all the time, so that you do not think about other things enough – used to show disapproval.

**E.g.:** an obsessive concern with cleanliness and order.

**29. Recurring /rɪ'kɜ:riŋ/ adjective**

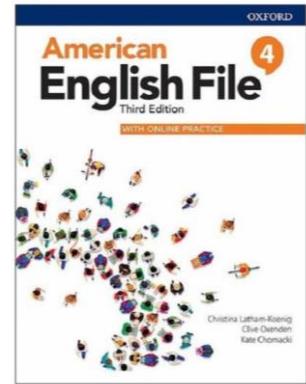
recurring amounts of money keep on being earned or spent, rather than just being earned or spent once.

**E.g.:** a 35.7% increase in recurring revenues.

**30. Interpret /ɪn'tɜ:pɪt/ \$ -ɜ:r/ - verb**

to explain the meaning of something.

**E.g.:** Freud's attempts to interpret the meaning of dreams.



### 31. time zone noun

one of the 24 areas that the world is divided into, each of which has its own time.

**E.g.:** Like Rolex watches from a different time zone.

### ✓✓ Unit 6A - Listening

#### 1. claustrophobia /'klɔ:stə'fəʊbiə/ noun

a strong fear of being in a small enclosed space or in a situation that limits what you can do.

**E.g.:** I was getting claustrophobia at my office at home.

#### 2. Expert /'ekspɜ:t/ noun

someone who has a special skill or special knowledge of a subject, gained as a result of training or experience.

**E.g.:** He's a world expert on marine mammals.

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to breathe in a noisy way through your mouth and nose while you are asleep.

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#### 5. Align /ə'lain/ verb

to arrange things so that they form a line or are parallel to each other, or to be in a position that forms a line etc.

**E.g.:** The desks were neatly aligned in rows.

#### 6. Disturb /dɪ'stɜ:b/ verb

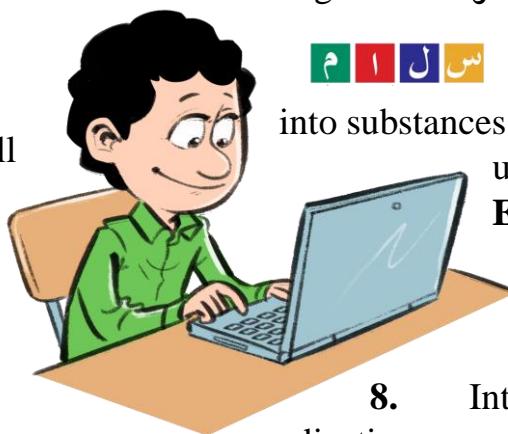
to change a normal situation in a way that causes problems.

**E.g.:** My hormone balance is disturbed by my pregnancy.

#### 7. Digest /dɪ'dʒest, də-/ verb

to change food that you have just eaten into substances that your body can use.

**E.g.:** Most babies can digest a wide range of food easily.



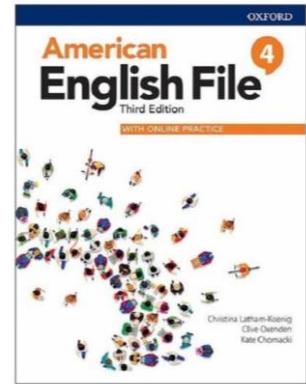
#### 8. Intensive /ɪn'tensɪv/ adjective

involving a lot of activity, effort, or careful attention in a short period of time.

#### 9. Cliffhanger /'klɪf'hæŋə/ noun

a situation in a story, film, or competition that makes you feel very excited or nervous because you do not know what will happen or have to wait a long time to see how it will end.

**E.g.:** Tonight's vote may be a cliffhanger.

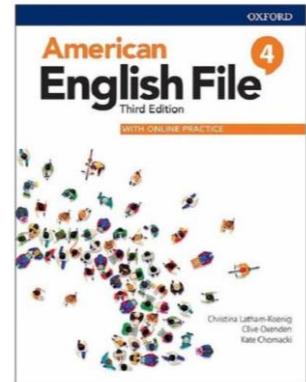


### ✓✓ Unit 6B

1. music to your ears (idiom)  
something you are pleased to hear about.  
**E.g.:** When she said they would make a profit, it was music to Richard's ears.
2. Cello /'tʃeləʊ \$ -lou/ noun  
a musical instrument like a large violin that you hold between your knees and play by pulling a bow (=special stick) across the strings.  
**E.g.:** I had never heard cellos and low strings added to rock songs.
3. Choir /kwaɪə \$ kwair/ noun  
a group of people who sing together for other people to listen to.  
**E.g.:** He joined a church choir at the age of eight.
4. Soprano /sə'pra:nəʊ \$ -'prænəʊ/ noun  
the part of a musical work that is written for a soprano voice or instrument.  
**E.g.:** She sings soprano.
5. Barista /ba:r'i:stə/ noun  
someone whose job is to prepare coffee in a coffee bar.  
**E.g.:** She works as a barista at a local coffee shop some afternoons and in a clothing consignment shop on weekends.

6. Bouquet /bəʊ'keɪ, bu:- \$ bu-, bu:-/ noun  
an arrangement of flowers, especially one that you give to someone.  
**E.g.:** It is a light wine with a clean bouquet and taste.
7. Macchiato /,mæki'a:təʊ \$ ,ma:ki'a:toʊ/ noun  
an espresso (=strong black Italian coffee) with a small amount of milk added.  
**E.g.:** He didn't notice an increase on his caramel macchiato – his drink of choice.
8. Psychic /'saɪkɪk/ adjective  
relating to the power of the human mind to do strange or surprising things that cannot be explained by reason.  
**E.g.:** a spiritual healer with psychic powers.
9. Graffiti /græ'fi:ti, grə-/ noun  
rude, humorous, or political writing and pictures on the walls of buildings, trains etc **E.g.:** The walls are daubed with graffiti.





**10. Paparazzi /,pæpə'raetzi/** \$

,pa:pə'ra:/ noun

photographers who follow famous people in order to take photographs they can sell to newspapers.

**E.g.:** Ferguson is besieged in a hotel room by salivating paparazzi.

**11. Improved /im'pru:vd/** adjective

better than before.

**E.g.:** improved performance

**12. Stimulating /'stimjəleitɪŋ/** adjective

making you feel more active.

**E.g.:** the stimulating effects of coffee and tea.

**13. Various /'veəriəs/** \$ 'ver- /

adjective

if there are various things, there are several different types of that thing.

**E.g.:** The jacket is available in various colours.

**14. Complexity /kəm'pleksəti/** noun

the state of being complicated.

**E.g.:** a design of great complexity.

**15. Singalong /'sɪŋəlɒŋ/** \$ -lɒ:ŋ/ noun

an informal occasion when people sing songs together

**SYN** singsong

**E.g.:** Perfect for a singalong on the barricades.



**16. Contemporary /kən'tempərəri,**

-pəri \$ -pərəri/

adjective

belonging to the present time

**SYN** modern

**E.g.:** an exhibition of contemporary Japanese prints

**17. tend to do something**

if something tends to happen, it happens often and is likely to happen again.

**E.g.:** People tend to need less sleep as they get older.

**18. Bland /blænd/**

adjective

without any excitement, strong opinions, or special character

**SYN** dull

**E.g.:** a few bland comments

**19. Interfere /,intə'fri:ə/** \$ -tə'rə'fir/ verb

to deliberately get involved in a situation where you are not wanted or needed

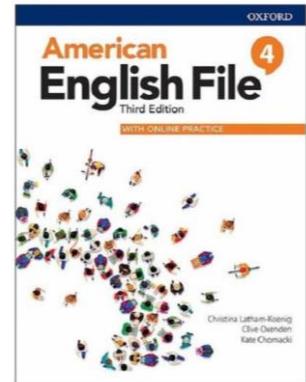
**SYN** meddle

**E.g.:** My daughter-in-law said that I was interfering, but I was only trying to help.

**20. Anaesthetic /,ænəs'θetik/** ▶ noun

a drug that stops you feeling pain.

**E.g.:** The operation will have to be done under anaesthetic (=using anaesthetic).



**21. Meticulousness** /mə'tɪk.jə.ləs.nəs/ noun

the quality of being very careful and paying great attention to every detail.

**E.g.:** He was known for the quality of his observation and the meticulousness of his technique.

**22. Decade** /'dekeɪd, de'keɪd/ noun  
a period of 10 years.

**E.g.:** I've been at the top in television for a decade, you see, Blanche.

**23. Instrument** /'ɪnstrəmənt/ noun  
an object used for producing music, such as a piano or violin  
**SYN musical instrument**  
**E.g.:** electronic instruments

✓✓ **Unit 6B – Listening**

1. **Intensify** /ɪn'tensifai/ verb  
to increase in degree or strength, or to make something do this.  
**E.g.:** In June the civil war intensified.
2. **high-pitched** /'haɪ'pɪtʃt/ adjective  
a high-pitched voice or sound is very high  
**OPP low-pitched.**  
**E.g.:** Her voice was clear but rather high-pitched.
3. **Exploit** /ɪk'splɔɪt/ verb  
to use something fully and effectively.  
**E.g.:** The new TV companies are fully exploiting the potential of satellite transmission.

