



✓✓ Unit 2A

1. Misspell /'mɪspel/ verb

to spell a word wrongly

The bride's name was misspelled in the newspaper.

2. Bewilder /bɪ'wɪldə/ \$ -ər/ verb

to confuse someone

He was bewildered by his daughter's reaction.

3. Snobbery /'snɒbəri/ \$ 'sna:-/ noun

behaviour or attitudes which show that you think you are better than other people, because you belong to a higher social class or know much more than they do – used to show disapproval
intellectual snobbery



4. Scribe /skraɪb/ noun

someone in the past whose job was to make written copies of official documents

I can not work as a scribe, and I am beginning to enjoy being free.

5. Stigma /'stɪgmə/ noun

a strong feeling in society that being in a particular situation or having a particular illness is something to be ashamed of

The stigma of alcoholism makes it difficult to treat.

6. Devise /dɪ'veɪz/ verb

to plan or invent a new way of doing something

She devised a method for quicker communications between offices.

7. Invasion /ɪn'veɪzən/ noun

when the army of one country enters another country by force, in order to take control of it
the invasion of Normandy

8. Counterpart /'kaʊntəpə:t/ \$ -tərpɑ:t/ noun

someone or something that has the same job or purpose as someone or something else in a different place

Belgian officials are discussing this with their French counterparts.

9. Aristocrat /'ærəstəkræt, ə'ris- \$ ə'ris-/ noun

someone who belongs to the highest social class

The importance of the mandarins made them look to Western eyes rather like aristocrats.

10. Orthography /o: 'θɒgrəfi/ \$ o:r'θɑ:-/ noun

the way in which words are spelled

I've left the original spelling and orthography to give a feel of the vigour of the language.



to lift something or someone up
He picked up the letter and read it.

11. brush up phrasal verb
to practise and improve your skills or your knowledge of something that you learned in the past
I must brush up on my French before I go to Paris.

12. Dialect /'daɪəlekt/ noun
a form of a language which is spoken only in one area, with words or grammar that are slightly different from other forms of the same language
The people up there speak a Tibetan dialect.



✓✓ Unit 2A - Listening

1. **Regional** /'ri:dʒənəl/ adjective relating to a particular region or area
local and regional government
2. **Tolerant** /'tɒlərənt/ \$ 'ta:-/adjective
allowing people to do, say, or believe what they want without criticizing or punishing them
OPP intolerant
Luckily, my parents were tolerant of my choice of music.

3. **Embarrassing** /ɪm'bærəsɪŋ/ adjective
making you feel ashamed, nervous, or uncomfortable
She asked a lot of embarrassing questions.
4. **Confusion** /kən'fju:ʒən/ noun
when you do not understand what is happening or what something means because it is not clear
There was some confusion as to whether we had won or lost.
5. **slam dunk** noun
when a basketball player jumps high above the net and throws the ball down through it
The biggest legal slam dunk came when a judge sentenced four men to 505 years in prison.
6. **Visual** /'vɪʒuəl/ adjective
relating to seeing
Artists translate their ideas into visual images.



1. Autobiography /ə:təbəi'ɒgrəfi/ \$
/ə:təbəi'a:/ noun

a book in which someone writes about their own life, or books of this type

an autobiographical novel

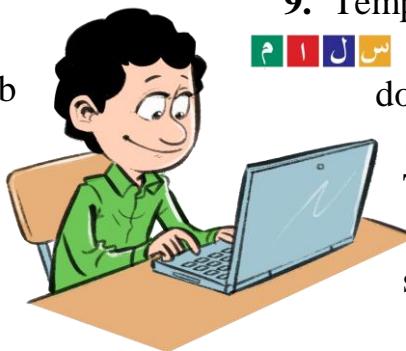
2. Underneath /ʌndə'ni:θ/ \$ -ər-/ preposition, adverb
directly under another object or covered by it
He got out of the car and looked underneath.

3. Manufacture /'mænʃə'fæktsə/ \$ -ər/ verb
to invent an untrue story, excuse etc
SYN fabricate
If the media can manufacture stories like this, who are we supposed to believe?

4. Splendid /'splendɪd/ adjective
very good
SYN excellent
a splendid idea

5. Nibble /'nibəl/ verb
to eat small amounts of food by taking very small bites
He nibbled the biscuit cautiously.

6. Fudge /fʌdʒ/ noun
a soft creamy brown sweet food
Won't you have a piece of fudge?



7. slap somebody on the back

to hit someone on the back in a friendly way, often as a way of praising them

Forbes slapped me on the back.

8. Habitual /hə'bɪtʃuəl/ adjective
doing something from habit, and unable to stop doing it
Many of the prisoners are habitual liars.

9. Tempt /tempt/ verb

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to try to persuade someone to do something by making it seem attractive
The new program is designed to tempt young people into studying engineering.

10. Sympathy /'sɪmpəθi/ noun

the feeling of being sorry for someone who is in a bad situation

I have a lot of sympathy for her; she had to bring up the children on her own.

11. Contrary /'kɒntrəri/ \$ 'kə:ntrəri/ adjective

contrary ideas, opinions, or actions are completely different and opposed to each other SYN opposing

The government's actions are contrary to the public interest.



12. Vivid /'vivid/ adjective

vivid memories, dreams, descriptions etc are so clear that they seem real
OPP vague

I've got vivid memories of that summer.

✓✓ Unit 2B – Listening

1. Console /kən'soul \$ -'soul/ verb
to make someone feel better when they are feeling sad or disappointed
No one could console her when Peter died.

2. Mermaid /'mɜː'meɪd \$ 'mɜː'r-/ noun
in stories, a woman who has a fish's tail instead of legs and who lives in the sea
There was a mermaid there, too.

3. Coincide /kəʊɪn'saɪd \$,kou-/ verb
to happen at the same time as something else, especially by chance
His entry to the party coincided with his marriage.

4. Evolutionary /i:və'lu:ʃənəri \$, evə- \$, evə'lu:ʃənəri / adjective
relating to the way in which plants and animals develop and change gradually over a long period of time
the evolutionary development of birds

5. Stroller /'strəʊlə \$ 'stroułə/ noun

a small chair on wheels, in which a small child sits and is pushed along
SYN buggy, pushchair

She was pushing a stroller that held her eighteen-month-old son, Corey, still wearing his pajamas.

6. Incident /'ɪnシdənt/ noun

an event, especially one that is unusual, important, or violent

Roads were sealed off because of a major incident.

