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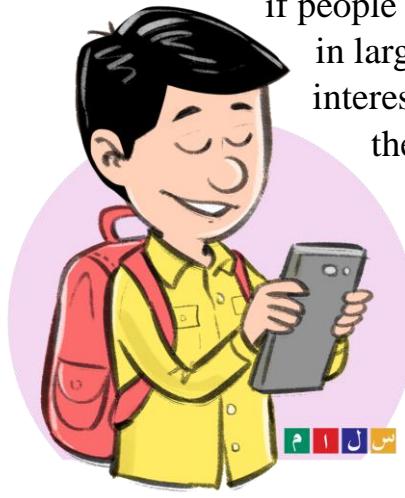
1. Reluctant /rɪ'lʌktənt/ adjective
slow and unwilling
OPP willing
She gave a reluctant smile.
reluctantly adverb
Reluctantly, he agreed.
2. Tedious /'ti:dɪəs/ adjective
something that is tedious
continues for a long time and is
not interesting
SYN boring
The work was tiring and tedious.
3. squirrel something ↔ away
phrasal verb
to keep something in a safe place
to use later SYN stash away
By December I had \$300
surrealed away.
4. Sane /seɪn/ adjective
able to think in a normal and
reasonable way OPP insane,
mentally ill
He seems perfectly sane
(=completely sane) to me.
5. Concise /kən'saɪs/ adjective
short, with no unnecessary words
SYN brief
Your summary should be as clear
and concise as possible.
concisely adverb

6. high-pitched
adjective
a high-pitched voice or sound is
very high OPP low-pitched
Her voice was clear but rather
high-pitched.
7. Detergent /dɪ'tɜ:dʒənt \$ -ɜ:r-/
noun
a liquid or powder used for
washing clothes, dishes etc
Scum is formed when soaps and
detergents react with hard water.



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1. mediocre /'mi:dɪ'əʊkə/ ▶ \$ - 'oukər ▶ /
adjective
not very good
SYN second rate
I thought the book was pretty mediocre.
2. Dull /dʌl/ adjective
not interesting or exciting
Life is never dull when Elizabeth is here.
3. Exotic /ɪg'zɒtɪk/ \$ /ɪg'zɑ:/ - adjective
something that is exotic
seems unusual and interesting because it is related to a foreign country – use this to show approval
exotic birds
4. Exorbitant /ɪg'zɔ:bɪtənt/ \$ -ɔ:r- /adjective
an exorbitant price, amount of money etc is much higher than it should be
SYN astronomical
exorbitant rates of interest



5. Don /dɒn/ \$ da:n/ verb
to put on a hat, coat etc
He also donned a crocodile suit to crawl up and get close enough to touch one.
6. Scruffy /'skrʌfi/ adjective
dirty and untidy
a scruffy old pair of jeans
7. /flɒk/ \$ fla:k/ verb
if people flock to a place, they go there in large numbers because something interesting or exciting is happening there
People have been flocking to the exhibition.
8. Bias /'baɪəs/ noun
an opinion about whether a person, group, or idea is good or bad that influences how you deal with it.
political bias in the press
9. hang-gliding noun
the sport of flying using a hang-glider
10. neglect /nɪ'glekt/ verb
to pay too little attention to something.
Many of these ideas have been neglected by modern historians.

1. devise /dɪ'vaɪz/ verb

to plan or invent a new way of doing something. She devised a method for quicker communications between offices.

2. pop up phrasal verb

to appear, sometimes unexpectedly. Click here, and a list of files will pop up.

3. Cringe /krɪndʒ/ verb

to move away from someone or something because you are afraid. It makes me cringe into the smelly upholstery of his battered armchair.

4. Insomnia /ɪn'səmniə \$ in'sa:m-/ noun

if you suffer from insomnia, you are not able to sleep
a cure for insomnia

5. Meltdown /'meltdaʊn/ noun

a situation in which prices fall by a very large amount or an industry or economic situation becomes much weaker

The stock market crash might lead to financial meltdown.

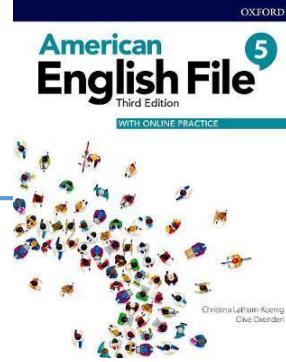
6. Cope /kəʊp \$ koup/ verb

to succeed in dealing with a difficult problem or situation

She feared she wouldn't be able to cope with two new babies.

7. flick through something phrasal verb

to look at a book, magazine, set of photographs etc quickly
Will flicked through Carla's photo album.



8. Obsess /əb'ses/ verb

if something or someone obsesses you, you think or worry about them all the time and you cannot think about anything else – used to show disapproval
A lot of young girls are obsessed by their weight.

9. Craving /'kreɪvɪŋ/ noun

an extremely strong desire for something
She had a craving for some chocolate.

10. Hooked /hukɪt/ adjective

unable to stop taking a drug.
to be hooked on cocaine

11. Rabid /'ræbəd, 'reɪ-/ adjective

having very extreme and unreasonable opinions. a group of rabid right-wing fanatics

