



## ✓✓ Unit 6A

1. Reluctant /rɪ'lʌktənt/ adjective  
slow and unwilling  
OPP willing  
She gave a reluctant smile.  
reluctantly adverb  
Reluctantly, he agreed.
2. Tedious /'ti:diəs/ 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  
squirreled 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 \$ -3:r-/  
noun  
a liquid or powder used for  
washing clothes, dishes etc  
Scum is formed when soaps and  
detergents react with hard water.





## ✓✓ Unit 6A - Listening

1. mediocre /ˌmiːdi'əʊkə - \$ -  
'oʊkər - /  
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'zɑː-  
/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'zɒːbətənt \$ -ɔːr-  
/adjective  
an exorbitant price, amount of  
money etc is much higher than it  
should be  
SYN astronomical  
exorbitant rates of interest

5. Don /dɒn \$ dɑːn/ 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 \$ flɑːk/ 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.





✓✓ Unit 6B

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'sɒmniə \$ ɪn'sɑ: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 \$ kɒp/ 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 /hʊkt/ adjective  
unable to stop taking a drug.  
to be hooked on cocaine
11. Rabid /'ræbəd, 'rei-/ adjective  
having very extreme and unreasonable opinions. a group of rabid right-wing fanatics

