Open Mind WORD LIST



Unit 1 Money-free

WORDS AND PHRASES

Word / Phrase	Part of Speech	Phonetic Spelling	Definition	Sample Sentence
acquaintance	noun	/əˈkweɪntəns/	someone you know a little,	He recognised Mr Hunter as
acquamtaneo			who is not a close friend	an old business acquaintance from his years in banking.
barter	verb	/ˈbɑː(r)tə(r)/	to exchange goods or services for other goods or services instead of using money	We barter our home-grown fruit and vegetables for other things that we need.
bring (something / a product) to market	phrase	/ˌbrɪŋ tə ˈmɑː(r)kɪt/	to begin selling a product or offering a service to consumers	We're bringing our new product to market, it will be in shops by the spring.
community	noun	/kəˈmjuːnəti/	the people who live in an area; a group of people in a larger society who are the same in some way	It is important to establish good relationships with people in your local community.
consume	verb	/kən'sjuːm/	to use a supply of something such as time, energy or fuel	The new light bulbs consume less electricity.
consumer	noun	/kən'sju:mə(r)/	someone who buys and uses goods and services	The store has always shown a shrewd understanding of what consumers want.
consumerism	noun [uncountable]	/kənˈsjuːməˌrɪz(ə)m/	the belief that it is good for a country if people buy and use a lot of goods and services	These policies simply promote greed and uncontrolled consumerism.
enthusiast	nouns	/ɪn'θjuɪziæst/	someone who is very interested in something or excited by it, and spends time doing it or learning about it	The company was started ten years ago by two young computer enthusiasts.
ethical	adjective	/'eθɪk(ə)l/	morally right	Is it really ethical to keep animals in zoos?
exchange	verb	/iks't∫eindʒ/	to give someone something in return for something that they give you	The vouchers can be exchanged for goods in any of their shops.
factory farming	noun	/'fækt(ə)ri 'faː(r)mɪŋ/	a system in which animals or birds are kept in small spaces and made to grow or produce eggs very quickly	Many animal welfare organisations are against factory farming.
forage	verb	/ˈfɒrɪdʒ/	to search in a wide area for something, especially food	They spend their days foraging for food around the city.
get (something) off the ground	phrase	/get of ði 'graund/	if you get something, for example a project, off the ground, you start it and make it successful	My team are all working hard to get the project off the ground.
hold a meeting	phrase	/həʊld ə ˈmiːtɪŋ/	to schedule and take part in a meeting	We held a meeting yesterday to brief the team about the new client.
inherently	adverb	/ɪn'herəntli/	relating to the basic or essential feature that gives something its character	Being a politician is an inherently risky career.

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interpret	verb	/ɪn'tɜː(r)prɪt/	to understand an action, situation, etc in a particular way	His actions can be interpreted in two different ways.	
like-minded	adjective	/ˈlaɪk ˌmaɪndəd/	like-minded people, groups, etc have similar tastes, interests and opinions	A group of like-minded people set up the Wildlife Protection Society.	
livelihood	noun	/'laɪvliˌhʊd/	something such as your work that provides the money that you need to live	Local hotel owners rely on tourism for their livelihood.	
markup	noun	/'ma:(r)k,Ap/	the amount of money that someone who sells goods adds to the price of the goods in order to make a profit	There's a fixed markup of 20% on these shoes.	
monetary	adjective	/ˈmʌnɪt(ə)ri/	consisting of money, or able to be measured in money	The paintings are not of any great monetary value.	
repercussion	noun	/riːpə(r)'kʌʃ(ə)n/	a bad effect that something has, usually lasting for a long time	The collapse of the national bank will have serious long-term economic repercussions.	
round-trip	noun	/ˈraʊnd trɪp/	a journey to a place and back again	My journey to work and home again is a 20 mile round-trip.	
skip	noun	/skip/	a very large metal container used for waste	The skip was full of garbage.	
supplement	verb	/'sapliment/	to add something extra in order to improve something or make it bigger	They supplemented their diet with home-grown vegetables.	
swap	verb	/swpp/	to give something to someone in exchange for something else	If you like this one better, I'll swap with you.	
sweatshop	noun	/'swet, \int pp/	a factory where people work very hard in bad conditions and earn very little money	The clothes in that store are very inexpensive because they are produced in sweatshops.	
threaten	verb	/'0ret(ə)n/	to be likely to harm or destroy something	Their actions threaten the stability and security of the region.	
trade	verb	/treid/	to exchange something you have for something else	Tony traded his computer for a bike.	
unaware	adjective	/ˌʌnəˈweə(r)/	not realising that something exists or is happening	Tom carried on reading, seemingly unaware of my presence.	
unsustainable	adjective	/ıʌnsəˈsteɪnəb(ə)l/	not capable of continuing at the same rate or level	Unsustainable economic growth often leads to a crash.	

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USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

Expression	Topic / Category	Sample Sentence
I suppose	Hedging	I suppose they're generally a good thing.
I tend to think	Hedging	I tend to think they might do some good.
I would argue that	Hedging	I would argue that they're one of the most useful things on the internet.
I'm fairly sure that	Hedging	I'm fairly sure that a site like that would benefit students.
It seems to me that	Hedging	It seems to me that not everyone is on there for the right reasons.
more or less	Hedging	They're more or less a waste of time.

