



2000 Core English Words 3 Word List



Unit 1

Word	PoS.	Definition
battery	n.	an object that provides a supply of electricity for something
cellphone	n.	a telephone that people can carry and use outside
click	v.	to press a button on a mouse or other device
computer	n.	an electronic machine that is used to store and sort information
current	adj.	happening or existing now
development	n.	the gradual growth of something so that it becomes more advanced
file	n.	a collection of computer data that forms a single unit
improve	v.	to make something better
keyboard	n.	the set of keys for operating a computer or typewriter
laptop	n.	a portable computer that can work with a battery
machine	n.	a piece of equipment that uses power to do work
online	adj.	connected to a computer, a computer network, or the internet
plug	n.	an object used for connecting a piece of equipment to an electricity supply
printer	n.	a machine that is used for printing documents
speaker	n.	an electronic machine that produces sound
switch	n.	a device that you press to turn something on and off
technique	n.	a way of doing something by using special knowledge or skills
telephone	n.	the electrical system of communication that you use to talk to someone else in a different place
update	v.	to change something by including the most recent information
website	n.	a collection of computer documents connected to the internet where a company or a person puts information

Extra Words

come up with (v.) to suggest or think of an idea or plan

regular (adj.) normal or usual

flexible (adj.) able to bend or to be bent easily

browse (v.) to look through the websites without a particular purpose

stretch (v.) to make something bigger or looser by pulling



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Unit 2

Word	PoS.	Definition
access	n.	a way of being able to use or get something
chat	v.	to talk to someone in a casual way
device	n.	a piece of equipment that has been made to do a particular job
digital	adj.	using or characterized by computer technology
display	v.	to put it where people can see it
dot	n.	a small round mark
electric	adj.	relating to electricity
electricity	n.	a form of power that is used to operate machines
energy	n.	the power that is used to operate machines and provide light
information	n.	facts or details about someone or something
innovation	n.	a new idea, device, or way of doing something
link	v.	to join or connect two or more things together
load	v.	to cause a program or file to become available
memory	n.	the part of a computer that stores information
off	adv.	not to be switched on or connected
screen	n.	a flat surface on which you see images
search	v.	to look carefully for someone or something
software	n.	a program that runs on a computer and performs certain functions
technology	n.	the use of science to invent useful things
user	n.	a person that uses or operates something

Extra Words

part (n.) a piece or feature of something such as an object, area, event, or period of time

communication (n.) the process by which people exchange information

nowadays (adv.) now, compared with what happened in the past

drop (v.) to stop holding or carrying something so that it falls

crack (v.) to break or to make something break



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Unit 3

Word	PoS.	Definition
automatic	adj.	working or operating by itself
code	n.	a set of instructions that tell a computer what to do
connection	n.	something that allows you to become connected
data	n.	information that is produced or stored by a computer
disk	n.	a flat, thin, round object that is used to store information
equipment	n.	supplies or tools needed for a special purpose
error	n.	a mistake, especially one which causes problems
function	n.	a special purpose or duty
gear	n.	a machinery in a vehicle that turns engine power into movement forwards or backwards
generate	v.	to produce or create something
hardware	n.	the electronic parts of a computer system
network	n.	a system of computers that are connected to one or more other computers
nuclear	adj.	relating to energy produced by changing the structure of the central part of an atom
procedure	n.	a series of steps for doing something
pump	n.	a device that forces liquid, air, or gas into or out of something
storage	n.	space for keeping information on a computer
technical	adj.	having to do with science or industrial work
unit	n.	a part of a machine or system that has a particular use
virtual	adj.	occurring on computers or on the internet
volume	n.	the amount of sound that is produced by electronic devices

Extra Words

artificial (adj.) not real or not made of natural things

environment (n.) the people and things that are around you in your life

create (v.) to make something exist that did not exist before

interact (v.) to talk to each other; work together; affect each other

knowledge (n.) the information, skills, and understanding that you have gained



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Unit 4

Word	PoS.	Definition
biography	n.	the written story of a person's life
celebrity	n.	someone who is famous
comedy	n.	a play, movie, story, or television show that is funny
download	v.	to copy a file or program from one computer system to another
episode	n.	a television or radio show that is one part of a series.
item	n.	an individual thing
orchestra	n.	a group of musicians who play instruments and perform together
passage	n.	a section of a book, poem, or speech
performance	n.	an activity that a person or group does to entertain an audience
performer	n.	a person who acts, sings, or dances for an audience
poem	n.	a piece of writing, often with each line ending in rhyme
poetry	n.	poems as a form of writing
publish	v.	to prepare and produce written works for sale
release	v.	to allow it to be shown, sold, or published
rhythm	n.	a regular, repeated pattern of sounds or movements
scene	n.	a part of an act in a movie or play
series	n.	a set of books, articles, or stories
shot	n.	a part of a movie that is filmed by one camera without stopping
statue	n.	an object that is made from stone or metal
whistle	v.	to make a high sound by blowing air through your lips or teeth

Extra Words

imagine (v.) to form a picture or idea in your mind about what something could be like

overcome (v.) to successfully control a feeling or problem

rejection (n.) the act of not accepting someone for a job, school, etc

inspire (v.) to give someone the idea for something

bestselling (adj.) popular, or bought by many people



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Unit 5

Word	PoS.	Definition
amuse	v.	to entertain in a pleasant way
audience	n.	a group of people who gather together to watch or listen to something
author	n.	the writer of a book, play, story, or other written work
ballet	n.	a form of dance that uses exact, graceful movements
broadcast	v.	to send out programs over radio or television
capture	v.	to get and hold someone's attention or interest
commercial	n.	an advertisement on radio or television
conduct	v.	to direct the performance of musicians or singers
craft	n.	an activity making things that requires skill
dramatic	adj.	exciting and impressive
edition	n.	a particular version of a book, magazine, or newspaper
expression	n.	the act of showing your thoughts or feelings
fame	n.	the condition of being known or recognized by many people
horror	n.	a genre of movie, book, etc. that is designed to scare people
humor	n.	a funny or amusing quality
media	n.	the main way that large numbers of people receive information and entertainment
plot	n.	a series of events that form the story in a novel or movie
publication	n.	the act of printing a book or magazine
publicity	n.	attention that is given to someone or something by newspapers, magazines, or television
tone	n.	the mood that an author expresses in a piece of writing

Extra Words

stage fright (n.) nervousness felt by someone who is going to perform in front of a lot of people

affect (v.) to do something that produces an effect

anxiety (n.) the feeling of being very worried about something

symptom (n.) something wrong with your body or mind

receive (v.) to be given something



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Unit 6

Word	PoS.	Definition
bill	n.	a request for payment of money owed
borrow	v.	to take something with the promise to return or replace it
budget	n.	the amount of money that you have available to spend
buy	v.	to get something by paying money for it
cash	n.	money in the form of coins or bills
cent	n.	a unit of money that is equal to one percent of a dollar
currency	n.	the money that a country uses
debt	n.	an amount of money that you owe to a person or bank
dollar	n.	a basic unit of money that is equal to 100 cents
earn	v.	to get money for work you have done
economic	adj.	concerned with the organization of the money, industry, and trade of a country, region, or society
exchange	v.	to give something and receive something in return
income	n.	money someone gets for work or from a business
insurance	n.	protection against certain accidents that is provided by a company in return for a fee
loss	n.	a situation in which more money is spent than earned
pay	v.	to give money in order to buy something
pound	n.	a basic unit of money in the UK and some other countries
save	v.	to keep money instead of spending it
spend	v.	to use money to pay for something
wallet	n.	a small folding case that holds money

Extra Words

credit card (n.) a small plastic card that you use to buy goods and pay for them later

debit card (n.) a plastic card that you can use to pay for things – the cost is taken directly from the user's account

material (n.) the things that are used for making or doing something

laundry (n.) clothes, sheets etc that need to be washed or have just been washed

countless (adj.) too many to be counted



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Unit 7

Word	PoS.	Definition
account	n.	an arrangement in which a bank looks after your money
award	v.	to give a reward or prize to someone
balance	n.	the amount of money in a bank account
charge	v.	to ask for money in return for a service or activity
cost	n.	the price of something
deposit	v.	to put money in a bank account
economy	n.	the system by which a country's trade, industry, and money are organized
fare	n.	the money paid to travel on public transportation
fee	n.	an amount of money that you pay to do something
financial	adj.	relating to money
loan	n.	an amount of money that a person or business borrows, especially from a bank
owe	v.	to need to give someone back money that they have lent you
rate	n.	an amount of money that is paid or charged
sum	n.	an amount of money
tax	n.	an amount of money that you have to pay to the government
valuable	adj.	having worth or merit
value	n.	the amount of money that something is worth
wage	n.	the amount of money you earn for working
wealth	n.	a large amount of money and possessions
worth	adj.	used to indicate the value of something

Extra Words

criminal (n.) someone who is involved in illegal activities

smoothly (adv.) easily and without interruption or difficulty

inflation (n.) a continuing increase in prices, or the rate at which prices increase

interest (n.) the extra money that you must pay back when you borrow money

fake (adj.) made to look like something else



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Unit 8

Word	PoS.	Definition
cabin	n.	a small simple house made of wood in a remote area
cottage	n.	a small house, especially one in the country
dust	n.	very small pieces of dirt that cover surfaces inside buildings
facility	n.	a building made or used for a particular activity
faucet	n.	a device that is used to control the flow of water from a pipe
fountain	n.	a device that sends a stream of water into the air
frame	n.	the part that supports and forms the basic shape of something
heat	n.	the system that is used to provide warmth to a room
heater	n.	a machine for making air or water hotter
hut	n.	a small and simple house or shelter
lab	n.	a special room or building where scientists do tests
ladder	n.	a piece of equipment that is used for climbing to reach high places
palace	n.	the official home of a king, queen, or president
property	n.	something that is owned by a person or business
rug	n.	a piece of thick material used to cover part of a floor
ruin	v.	to destroy something completely
shelter	n.	a structure that covers or protects people or things
string	n.	a long thin piece of twisted thread
structure	n.	a thing made up of a number of parts joined together in a certain way
yard	n.	an open area next to a house or other building

Extra Words

diverse (adj.) very different from each other

cave (n.) a large natural hole in the side of a cliff or hill, or under the ground

protect (v.) to keep someone or something safe from harm, damage, or illness

relief (n.) a feeling of comfort when something frightening, worrying, or painful has ended or has not happened

entirely (adv.) completely and in every possible way



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Unit 9

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altogether	adv.	completely or in every way
brick	n.	a hard block of baked clay used as a building material
candle	n.	a stick of wax with a string that you burn to give light
closet	n.	a cabinet in a room that holds clothes or other things
column	n.	a long post made of steel or stone that is used as a support in a building
concrete	n.	a hard building material made by cement
condo	n.	an apartment building in which each apartment is owned by the person living in it
construction	n.	the act or process of building something
counter	n.	a long flat table where customers are served
decoration	n.	something used to make an object or place more attractive
feature	n.	a part of something that you notice because it seems important, interesting, or typical
fence	n.	a structure like a wall built outdoors, usually of wood or metal
hammer	n.	a tool with a heavy metal part on a long handle
household	n.	a home and the people who live in it
interior	n.	the inner part or inside of something
lamp	n.	a device that produces light
locate	v.	to put or build something in a particular place
monument	n.	a building or statue that honors a person or event
resident	n.	someone who lives in a particular place
studio	n.	a small apartment that has a main room, a small kitchen, and a bathroom

Extra Words

ramp (n.) a slope that has been built to connect two places

haul (v.) to pull something heavy with a continuous movement

limestone (n.) a type of rock that contains calcium

chamber (n.) a room used for a special purpose, especially an unpleasant one

inscription (n.) a piece of writing inscribed on a stone, in the front of a book, etc.



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Unit 10

Word	PoS.	Definition
ankle	n.	the joint between your foot and your leg
breathe	v.	to move air into and out of your lungs
cancer	n.	a serious disease caused by cells that are not normal
cell	n.	a very small living thing that makes up every part of your body
chest	n.	the front part of your body between your neck and your stomach
flu	n.	a common illness that makes you feel tired and weak
funeral	n.	a ceremony held for a dead person
gene	n.	a part of a cell that influences the appearance of a living thing
heel	n.	the curved back part of your foot
lung	n.	one of the two organs in your body that you breathe with
obesity	n.	a condition in which someone is too fat in an unhealthy way
pregnant	adj.	having one or more babies growing within a mother's body
skull	n.	the framework of bones forming the head
surgery	n.	medical treatment in which a doctor cuts open someone's body
tension	n.	a feeling of anxiety and stress that makes it impossible to relax
thigh	n.	the part of your leg above the knee
throat	n.	at the back of your mouth inside your neck
waist	n.	the area of the body just above the belly button
wound	n.	an injury in which your skin or flesh is damaged
wrist	n.	the part of your body where your hand joins your arm

Extra Words

spread (v.) to gradually affect or cover a larger area

pass away (v.) to die

count (n.) a measurement that shows how much of a substance is present in a place

tumor (n.) a mass of diseased cells in your body that have divided and increased too quickly

terrifying (adj.) extremely frightening



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Unit 11

Word	PoS.	Definition
badly	adv.	not well; in a bad way
buttock	n.	the part of your body that you sit on
carsick	adj.	feeling sick because you are traveling in a car
depression	n.	a mood of unhappiness that can last a long time
disorder	n.	a physical or mental condition that is not normal or healthy
entire	adj.	including everything, everyone, or every part
faint	v.	to become unconscious for a short time
grave	n.	a place in the ground where a dead body is buried
growth	n.	the process of growing physically
infection	n.	a disease caused by germs that enter the body
injury	n.	physical damage done to a part of a person's body
internal	adj.	located on the inside of your body
joint	n.	a point where two bones meet in the body
medical	adj.	relating to medicine and the treatment of disease
naked	adj.	not wearing any clothes
physician	n.	a doctor, especially one who practices general medicine
sneeze	v.	to suddenly force air out through your nose and mouth
starve	v.	to suffer or die from lack of food
survive	v.	to continue to live or exist
sweat	v.	to produce a clear liquid from your skin when you are hot

Extra Words

signal (n.) a sound or an action that you make in order to give information to someone

nerve (n.) any of the long threads that carry messages between the brain and parts of the body

activate (v.) to make an electrical system or chemical process start working

vomit (v.) to bring food or drink up from your stomach out through your mouth

raw (adj.) not cooked



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Unit 12

Word	PoS.	Definition
confuse	v.	to cause somebody to be unable to think clearly something
content	adj.	pleased and satisfied
delight	n.	a strong feeling of happiness
eager	adj.	very excited and interested about something
generous	adj.	willing to give or share
grateful	adj.	feeling or showing thanks
hero	n.	a person who is brave and often looked up to by others
imagination	n.	the ability to form pictures or ideas in your mind
judge	v.	to form an opinion about something or someone
mood	n.	the way you feel at a particular time
patient	adj.	able to remain calm and not become easily annoyed
pleasure	n.	a feeling of happiness, delight, or joy
proud	adj.	pleased and satisfied about someone or something that you own or have done
regret	v.	to feel sad or sorry about something that you did or did not do
reliable	adj.	able to be trusted to do or provide what is needed
selfish	adj.	caring only about yourself and not about other people
shocking	adj.	very surprising, upsetting, and difficult to believe
steady	adj.	not nervous or excited
suffer	v.	to experience physical or mental pain
violent	adj.	very forceful or intense

Extra Words

recommendation (n.) a suggestion that something is good or suitable

exaggerate (v.) to make something seem better, larger, worse etc than it really is

depression (n.) a medical condition that makes you unhappy

criticize (v.) to express your disapproval of someone or something

misinterpret (v.) to not understand the correct meaning of something



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Unit 13

Word	PoS.	Definition
caring	adj.	thinking about what other people need or want and trying to help them
courage	n.	the ability to do something that you know is difficult or dangerous
desire	n.	a strong hope or wish
doubt	n.	a feeling of being uncertain or unsure about something
emotion	n.	a strong feeling such as joy, hatred, or fear
envy	n.	the feeling of wanting to have what someone else has
faith	n.	a strong belief or trust in someone or something
force	v.	to make someone do something
frank	adj.	honest and truthful
freedom	n.	the right to do or say what you want
honor	n.	a type of respect or promise
mental	adj.	connected with or happening in the mind
misery	n.	extreme suffering or unhappiness
offense	n.	something that causes a person to be hurt, angry, or upset
reputation	n.	the common opinion that people have about someone or something
shocked	adj.	feeling surprised and upset by something
stress	n.	pressure or worry caused by the problems in somebody's life
stressful	adj.	causing worry or anxiety
strict	adj.	demanding that people follow rules or behave in a certain way
truly	adv.	in an honest manner

Extra Words

suffer (v.) to have a particular disease or medical condition

pressure (n.) worry and fear caused by the feeling

expectation (n.) what you think or hope will happen

assignment (n.) a piece of work that a student is asked to do

overwhelmed (adj.) feeling something so strongly that they cannot think clearly



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Unit 14

Word	PoS.	Definition
coffin	n.	a long box in which a person who has died is buried
costume	n.	clothing worn by someone to make them look like something else
creed	n.	a set of beliefs held by a person or group
creepy	adj.	causing people to feel nervous and afraid
dead	adj.	no longer alive
gloomy	adj.	causing a sad or dreary feeling
graveyard	n.	an area of ground where people are buried
haunted	adj.	lived in or visited by ghosts
myth	n.	a story that many people believe, but which is not true
pray	v.	to speak to a god in order to ask for help or to give thanks
religion	n.	the belief in a god or a group of gods
ritual	n.	a series of actions that are always performed in the same way
sorrow	n.	a feeling of great sadness
spooky	adj.	strange and frightening
tomb	n.	a structure above or below the ground where a dead person is buried
voodoo	n.	magical beliefs and practices that are a form of religion
unlucky	adj.	causing bad luck
werewolf	n.	a person who changes into a wolf every month when there's a full moon
witch	n.	a woman who is thought to have magic powers
worship	v.	to show love and respect for a god

Extra Words

trick or treat (n.) the words to say that children will play a trick on someone if they are not given a trick

belief (n.) the feeling of being certain that something exists or is true

spell (n.) a piece of magic that someone does, or the special words or ceremonies

legend (n.) a very old story or set of stories from ancient times

actually (adv.) in fact or really



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Unit 15

Word	PoS.	Definition
angel	n.	a spiritual creature who is God's servant in heaven
appearance	n.	the way someone or something looks
beast	n.	a wild animal that is large, dangerous, or unusual
crawl	v.	to move along with one's body close to the ground
crescent	n.	curved shape that is wider in the middle and pointed at each end
elf	n.	an imaginary creature that has pointed ears and magical powers
evil	adj.	enjoying harming others
fairy	n.	an imaginary creature that looks like a small person with wings
false	adj.	completely untrue
ghost	n.	a spirit of a person who has died
horn	n.	the hard, pointed thing on the head of some animals
hunt	v.	to chase animals in order to catch or kill them
image	n.	a picture of a person or an idea of how something is
invisible	adj.	cannot be seen
legend	n.	an old story about people and events that may not be true
luck	n.	a thing that happens to a person because of chance
mermaid	n.	a mythical sea creature that has a woman's head and body, and a fish's tail
mysterious	adj.	strange, unknown, or difficult to understand
mythical	adj.	from a story that most people think is not true
unicorn	n.	an animal looks like a white horse with a long straight horn on its head

Extra Words

marine (adj.) relating to the sea and the creatures that live there

imaginary (adj.) not real, but produced from pictures or ideas in your mind

flipper (n.) a flat part on the body of some large sea animals

identify (v.) to recognize and correctly name someone or something

fascinate (v.) to have someone's complete interest and attention



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Unit 16

Word	PoS.	Definition
beak	n.	the hard, pointed mouth of a bird
breed	v.	to mate in order to have babies
cattle	n.	large mammals raised on farms for their milk or meat
claw	n.	a sharp, curved part on the toe of an animal or bird
crab	n.	a sea animal that has a hard shell, eight legs, and two large claws
creature	n.	anything that is living, such as an animal, fish, or insect
extinct	adj.	a type of animal or plant does not exist anymore
feather	n.	one of the light, soft parts that cover a bird's body
hatch	v.	to be born by coming out of an egg
jellyfish	n.	a sea animal that has a round, transparent body and can sting you
leopard	n.	a large animal with yellow fur and black spots
paw	n.	an animal's foot that has nails or claws
reindeer	n.	a large deer with long, wide antlers
roar	v.	to make a deep, very loud noise
tail	n.	a part at the back of an animal's body that can move
turtle	n.	a reptile with a soft body covered by a hard shell
wildlife	n.	animals and insects that live in a natural environment
wolf	n.	a wild animal that is similar to a dog
worm	n.	a long thin creature with no bones and no legs
zookeeper	n.	a person who takes care of the animals in a zoo

Extra Words

research (v.) to study a subject in detail

curved (adj.) having a shape that is like a curve and not straight

modern-day (adj.) existing in the present time

tusk (n.) either of the long curved teeth that stick out of the mouth of elephants and some other animals

sloth (n.) an animal that moves very slowly, has grey fur, and lives in trees