

English Vocabulary in Upper-intermediate Us

100 units of vocabulary reference and practice

Self-study and classroom use

SECOND EDITION

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- 31 Countable and uncountable nouns with different meanings a glass, glass; a hair, hair
- 32 Collective nouns crowd, flock, range
- 33 Making uncountable nouns countable a bit of advice, a flash of lightning, some spots of rain
- 34 Containers and contents a tube of toothpaste, a jar of jam, a box of matches

Topics

- 35 Countries, nationalities and languages Brazil, Japanese, Arabic
- 36 The weather drought, stifling, chilly
- 37 Describing people: appearance wavy hair, freckles, plump
- 38 Describing people: character down-to-earth, broad-minded, eccentric
- 39 Relationships colleague, acquaintance, to fancy someone
- 40 At home bungalow, attic, table mat
- 41 Everyday problems power cut, to leak, stained
- 42 Global problems to erupt, injured, earthquake
- 43 Education degree, tutorial, to pass an exam
- 44 Work union representative, redundant, shift work
- 45 Sport billiards, high jump, fencing
- 46 The arts sculpture, novel, performance
- 47 Music track, hit, backing
- 48 Food aubergine, spicy, bake
- 49 The environment island, glacier, polluted
- 50 Towns art gallery, traffic jam, population
- 51 The natural world nest, hedgehog, harvest
- 52 Clothes cardigan, collar, striped
- 53 Health and medicine sore throat, prescribe, tablets
- 54 Travel ferry, overtake, supersonic
- 55 Holidays timeshare, sightseeing, breath-taking
- 56 Numbers and shapes triangle, sphere, odd and even
- 57 Science and technology mobile phone, microwave, genetic engineering
- 58 Computers and the Internet modem, surf the Web
- 59 The press and the media tabloid, aerial, soap opera
- 60 Politics and public institutions independence, House of Commons, elect
- 61 Crime burglary, blackmail, verdict
- 62 Money buying, selling and paying earn, current account, overdrawn

Feelings and actions

- 63 Belief and opinion maintain, point of view, intellectual
- 64 Pleasant and unpleasant feelings grateful, frustration, worrying
- 65 Like, dislike and desire adore, loathe, devoted
- 66 Speaking whisper, grumble, guiltily
- 67 The six senses glance, fragrant, telepathy
- 68 What your body does yawn, snore, chew

Basic concepts

- 69 Number, quantity, degree and intensity considerable, a great deal, dozens of
- 70 Time for the time being, temporary, to last
- 71 Distances and dimensions length, faraway, stretch

- 72 Obligation, need, possibility and probability compulsory, exempt, shortage
- 73 Sound and light racket, twinkle, sombre
- 74 Possession, giving and lending estate, property, allocate
- 75 Movement and speed flutter, crawl, rate
- 76 Texture, brightness, weight and density prickly, dazzling, hollow
- 77 Success, failure and difficulty manage, compromise, cope

Idiomatic expressions

- 78 Idioms and fixed expressions general under the weather, to have seen better days
- 79 Everyday expressions come to think of it, that's that, as far as I'm concerned
- 80 Similes as good as gold, like a red rag to a bull
- 81 Binomials rough and ready, peace and quiet, sooner or later
- 82 Idioms describing people quick off the mark, round the bend, a lazy-bones
- 83 Idioms describing feelings or mood in high spirits, in a black mood, scared stiff
- 84 Idioms describing problematic situations to take a back seat, the tide has turned, to bur the hatchet
- 85 Idioms connected with praise and criticism knock spots off, on the ball, pick holes in
- 86 Idioms connected with using language talk shop, a talking-point, long-winded
- 87 Miscellaneous idioms to pay through the nose, to have something on the brain
- 88 Proverbs Don't put all your eggs in one basket

Phrasal verbs and verb-based expressions

- 89 Expressions with do and make do housework, do up, make a mistake, make up
- 90 Expressions with bring and take bring down, bring to light, take after, take for granted
- 91 Expressions with get get by, get out of bed on the wrong side
- 92 Expressions with set and put set off, set one's heart on, put up with, put two and two together
- 93 Expressions with come and go come across, come to an end, go off, as far as it goes
- 94 Miscellaneous expressions run out of, see your way to, break someone's heart

Varieties of English

- 95 Formal and informal words (1) offspring, children, kids
- 96 Formal and informal words (2) slang, wally, cool
- 97 US English semester, panty-hose, wash up
- 98 Other Englishes loch, Aussie, pad
- 99 Headline English axe, hit, vow
- 100 The language of signs and notices refrain, admission

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