

Band III core word list

lexical item	PoS	Example
a.m		
absence	v	
absolute	adj	
abstract	adj	
abuse	n+v	
acceptable acceptance	adj,n	
access	v+n	
accompany	v	
accordingly	adv	
accurate, inaccurate, accuracy, accurately	adj, adj,n,adv	
achieve, achievement	v,n	
acknowledge, acknowledgment, acknowledged	v,n,adj	
acquire,acquisition	v,n	
act,inactive,actor	v,adj,n	
actual	adj	The actual facts

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adapt,adapted, adaptation	v,adj,n	
additional, additionally	adj,adv	
address	v	We need to address the problem.
adequate,adequately, inadequate	adj, adv,adj	
administration	n	
adopt,adoption	v,n	
adjust, adjustment	adv,v,n	
advance, advanced	v,adj,	
advocate	n+v	
affair	adjn	
affect	v	
afford, affordable	v	
afterwards	adv	
agent, agency	n,n	
aggression, aggressive behavior	n	
agreement, in agreement	n	

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agriculture, agricultural	n,adj	
aid	n+v	
airport	n	
allow	v	
alter, alteration	v,n	
amongst	prep	
analogy	n	
analyze, analysis	v,n	
ancient	adj	
announce, announcement	v,n	
annual	adj	
anxious, anxiety	adj,n	
anybody	p	
anymore	adv	
anyway	adv	
apparent,apparently	adj,adv	
application	n	
appreciate, appreciation	v,n	

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approach	v+n	
appropriate	adj	
approve, approval	v,n	
approximately	adv	
Asian	adj	
aspect	n	
aspire,aspiration	v,n	
assignment	n	
assist, assistance	v,n	
associate, association	v,n	
assume,assumption	v,n	
attachment,attach	n,v	
attack	v+n	
attempt	n+v	
attend, attendance	v,n	
attitude	n	
attract, attraction, attractive	v,n,adj	A tourist attraction. Magnetic attraction
audience	n	
authentic	adj	

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author	n	
authority	n	A boss has authority over the workers. She is an authority on sociology. The Palestinian Authority.
autonomy, autonomous	n,adj	
average	n+adj	
avoid	v	
award	n+v	
back	adv	
back up	v	He backed up his friend. Make sure you back up your work on the computer.
background	n+adj	
balance	n+v	
ball	n	
ban	n+v	
band	n	The band played some music.
bank	n	Put your money in the bank.
bar	n	A bar of chocolate. A bar of a cage. We bought some orange juice at the bar.
barely	adj	

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barrier	n	
basically	n	
battle	n	
beach	n	
bear	v	I can't bear it!
beauty	n	
beginning	n	At the beginning
belief	n	
beneath	prep	
benefit, beneficial	v,adj	
bias	n	
bill	n	Pay the bill. A dollar bill.
billion	n	
bind	v	
biology, biological	n,adj	
bird	n,adj	
block	v+n	
bold	adj	
bond	n	

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bone	n	
boundary	n	
break	n	Take a short break! A break in relations.
breath, breathe	n,v	
brief, briefly	adj,adv	
British	adj+n	The British people. Do you like the British?
budget	n	
building	n	
burn	v	
cabinet	n	
calculate, calculation	v,n	
campaign	n+v	The political party's campaign was successful: they were elected. We were campaigning for equal rights.
cancer	n	
candidate	n	
capable, capability	adj, n	
capacity	n	This student has great capacity for hard work. The hall has a seating capacity of 1000.

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capture	n	
career	n	She had a very successful career.
carefully	adj	
category	n	
Catholic	n+adj	
cell	n	Our body is made up of cells. A prison cell.
cellphone	n	Turn off your cell (phone).
census	n	
central, centrally	adj,adv	
certainly	adv	
chain	n	
chair (man, woman, person)	n	She was chair of the committee.
challenge	n+v	
change (n)	n	
channel	n	
characteristic	n+adj	
charge (v)	v	They charged too much money. Charge a battery.

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checklist	n	
chemistry, chemical	n,adj	
chicken	n	
chief	n+adj	
chief of staff	n	
Chinese	n+adj	Chinese food. The Chinese are an oriental nation.
Christmas	n+adj	
church	n	
circumstance(s)	n	
cite	v	
citizen, citizenship	n	
civil, civilian	adj,adj	
civilized, civilization	adj,n	
claim	n+v	
clarify, clarification	v,n	
classify	v	
clearly	adj	
client	n	
colleague	n	

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collection	n	
college	n	
combine, combina- tion	v,n	
commander	n	
comment	n+v	
commerce, commercial	n,adj	
commit, commitment	v	Commit a crime. They committed themselves. They were committed to helping the poor: it was a serious commitment.
committee	n	
community	n	
comparison, comparative	n,adj	
compete, competition, competitive	v,n,adj	
completely	adv	
complex	adj	

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component	n	
compose, composition	v, n	
comprehend, comprehension	v, n	
comprehensive	adj	
comprise, comprised of	v, adj	
concentrate, concentration	v, n	Please concentrate on the assignment! The population was concentrated in the cities.
concept	n	
concern, concerned	n, adj	As far as I'm concerned. It's no concern of yours. I'm concerned about these problems.
conclusion, conclude	n, v	in conclusion. We may conclude that the answer is wrong.
conduct	ɹ, v	He conducted a study. She conducted the band.
conference	n	
confident, confidence	adj, n	She has a lot of self-confidence.

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confirm, confirmation	v, n	Please confirm the arrangements. The research confirms my hypothesis.
conflict	n	
consensus	n	
consequence, consequently	n, adv	
considerable, considerably	adj, adv	
consideration	n	Take into consideration.
considered (as)	adj	
consist	v	
consistent, consistently	adj, adv	
constant, constantly		in constant contact. We're constantly hearing about this event.
constitution	n	the American constitution is a list of laws.
construct, construction	v, n	
consume, consumer	n	
contain, container	v, n	
contemporary	adj	

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context	n	
continuous, continuously	adj,adv	
contradict	v	-
contrast	n+v	In contrast.
contribute, contribution	v,n	
convention, conventional	n,adj	
convert	v	
convey	v	
cooperate, cooperation	v,n	
coordinate, coordination	v,n	
core	n+adj	
correspond	v	
council	n	
count	v	That doesn't count, it's not relevant.
cover	v,n	Your essay covers all the main points. The book has a nice cover.
creative, creation	adj,n	

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criminal	n+adj	
crisis	n	
criterion (pl: criteria)	n	
criticize, criticism, critical	adj	
crucial	adj	
current,currently	adj	
curriculum	n	
customer	n	
cut	v	Cut the cost of production.
cycle	n	
daily	adj	
damage	n+v	
data	n	
debate	n+v	
debt	n	In debt (to)
decade	n	
decision	n	
declare, declaration	v,n	
decline	n	

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decline	v	To decline an invitation. Decline and fall.
decrease	v+n	
defend, defense	v+n	
define	v	
degree	n	100 degrees. An academic degree.
delegation	n	
demand	v+n	
democracy, democratic	n,adj	
demonstrate, demonstration	v,n	
deny, denial	v,n	
depart, departure	v,n	
department	n	
depress, depressed, depression, depressing	v,adj,n,adj	
derive	v	
desert	n	
design	n+v	
desire	n+v	

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despite	prep	
destroy, destruction	v,n	
detail, detailed	n,adj	
detect, detective, detection	v, n,n	
determine, determination	v,n	
develop, development	v,n	
device	n	
devise	v	
diagram	n	
dialogue	n	
die, death	v,n	
difference	n	
differentiate, differentiation	v,n	
difficulty	n	
dilemma	n	
dimension	n	
diminish	v	
direct, directly	v+adj,adv	

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discipline	n	Science is a discipline. Classroom discipline.
discovery	n	
discriminate, discrimination	v,n	
disease	n	
dish(es)	n	
display	v+n	
dispose, disposal	v,n	
dissatisfied	adj	
distance, distant	n,adj	
distinction, distinguish	n,v	
distribute,distribution	v,n	
district	n	
disturb, disturbance	v,n	
diverse,diversity	adj,n	
division	n	
document	v	
domain	n	
domestic	adj	

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dominant, dominate, domination	adj,v,n	
double	adj	
dozen	adj+n	
draft	n+adj	
drawing	n	
driver	n	
drug	n	
dual	adj	
duty	n	
dynamic(s)	adj	
e.g		
earn	v	
easily	adj	
Easter	n+adj	
eastern	adj	
economic economically, economics,economy	adj,adv,n,n	
edge	n	
edit, editor	v,n	

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educate, educational	v,adj	
effective	adj	
efficient,efficiently, efficiency	adj,adv,n	
egg	n	
elect, election	v,n	
electronic	adj	
element	n	
elementary	adj	
eliminate, elimination	v,adj	
elsewhere	adv	
emerge, emergence, emerging	v,n,adj	
emergency	n	
emotion, emotional	n,adj	
emphasize, emphasis	v,n	
employ, employee, employer, employ- ment	v,n,n,n	
enable	v	
encounter	v+n	

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end	n	Do the means justify the end?
end	v	
enemy	n	
engage, engagement	v,n	They engaged in the task. The couple became engaged.
engineer, engineering	n,n	
enhance	v	
ensure	v	
enterprise	n	
entire, entirely	adj,adv	
entitled	adj	You are entitled to a promotion.
entrance	n	
entry	n	
environmental	adj	
equally, equality	adv,n	
equip, equipment	v,n	
equivalent	adj+n	
era	n	
error	n	
escape	v,n	

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essential, essentially	adj,adv	
establish, established, establishment	v,adj,n	
estimate, estimation	v,n, n	
etc.	adv	
ethical	adj	
ethnic	adj	
European	adj	
evaluate, evaluation	v,n	
even	adj	Even numbers
event	n	
eventually	adv	
everywhere	adv	
evidence	n	
evident, evidently	adj,adv	
evolve, evolution	v,n	
exceed, excessive	v,adj	
except	prep	Except for
exchange	n+v	
exclude, exclusion	v,n	

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exclusive, exclusively	adj,adv	
executive	n+adj	
exercise	v	
exhibit, exhibition	v,n	
exist, existing, existence	v,adj,n	
exit	n+v	
expand, expansion	v,n	
expectation(s)	n	
expense(s), expensive	n,v	
experience	v	
experiment	n+v	
expert, expertise	n,n	
explicit, explicitly	adj,adv	
exploit, exploitation	v,n	
explore, exploration	v,n	
export	n+v	
expose, exposed	n,adj	
expression	n	An idiomatic expression. She had a sad expression on her face.

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extend, extended, extension, extent	v,adj,n,n	
external	adj	
face	v	
facilitate	v	
facility	n	
fact	n	
factor	n	
factory	n	
failure	n	
fairly	adv	
faith, faithful, faithfully	n,adj,adv	
fall (= autumn)	n	
familiar	adj	
fan	n	She's a great fan of classical music.
farm, farmer	n,n	
fashion, fashionable	n,adj	
favor, favorable	n,adj	
feature	n	
fee	n	
feel, feeling	v,n	

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female, feminine	adj,adj	
figure	n,v	The figure '2'. She has a slim figure. The figures on this survey show a population increase. I can't figure it out.
file	v	
financial, finance	adj,n	
findings	n	
fire	v	
firm	adj	
firm	n	I work for an international firm.
fit	adj	We keep fit by having regular exercise. We don't think you are fit for the job.
flexible, flexibility	adj,n	
flight	n	The flight to New York is late.
flow	n+v	
focus	n+v	
folk	n+adj	Folk music. They are nice folk.
forest	n	
formal, formally	adj,adv	
formal, formally, formality	adj,adv,n	

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format	n+adj	
former	adj	She is a former president of the company. The former / the latter.
formulate, formula	v,n	
forum	n	
fraction	n	
frame	n	
framework	n	
France, French	n,n+adj	
free, freedom	adj,n	
frequent, frequently, frequency	adj,adv,n	
fuel	n	
fully	adv	
function , functional	n+v, adj	
fund	n+v	They set up a fund to build a school. The rich man funded the institution.
fundamental, fundamentally	adj,adv	

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further	adj+adv	Further research is needed. We don't need to look further.
furthermore	adv	
gain	n+v	
gate	n	
gender	n	
generally	adv	
generate	v	
generation	n	
gentle	adj	
gentleman	n	
geography, geographic	n,adj	
German, Germany	adj+n,n	
global, globally, globalization	adj,adv,n	
goal	n	
god	n	
gold, golden	n+adj, adj	
goods	n	
govern	v	

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grant	n+v	She got a grant to go to University. I was granted an extension to finish my assignment.
graph	n	
greatly	adv	
group	n+v	
growth	n	
guard	n+v	
guess	v+n	
guest	n	
guide (n & v), guidance, guidelines	v	
gun	n	
hand	v	He handed her the book.
handle	n	
hardware	n	
head	n+v	She is the head of the company. He headed the investigation. We headed home.
hearing	n	My hearing is not too good.
heaven	n	

lexical item	PoS	Example
hell	n	
hence	adv	
hero, heroine	n,n	
hierarchy	n	
highlight	n+v	That was the highlight of our trip! I highlighted the most important words in the text.
highly	adv	
hill	n	
hire	v+n	We hired a car. The car was for hire.
historical, historically	adj,adv	
hole	n	
homemaker	n	Housewife or househusband
hopeful, hopefully	n,adv	
horizontal	adj	
horse	n	
host	n+v	
human being	n	
human, humanity (= mankind)	n+adj, n	
humanities	n	

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hypothesis	n	
i.e.	adv	
ice	n	
ideal, ideally, idealism, idealist	n+adj,adv,n,n	
identical	adj	
identification	n	
ignore, ignorant, ignorance	v,adj,n	
illegal	adj	
illness	n	
illustrate, illustration	v,n	
image, imagery	n	
imagination	n	
immediate	adj	
immigrate, immigrant, immigration	v,n,n	
immoral	adj	
impact	n	
implementation, implement	n,v	

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implication, imply	n,v	
implicit	adj	
import	n+v	
importance	n	
impose	v	
impress, impressive, impression	v,adj,n	
improvement	n	
incentive	n	
incident, incidentally	n,adv	
including	adj	
income	n	
increasingly	adv	
independence	n	
index	n	
India, Indian	n, n+adj	
indicate, indication, indicator	v,n,n	
indirect	adj	
individually	adv	
industry, industrial	n,adj	

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inevitable, inevitably	adj,adv	
inferior	adj	
influence	n+v	
inform	v	
informal	adj	
infrastructure	n	
inherent, inherently	adj,adv	
initial, initially	adj,adv	
initiative	n	
injury, injured	n,adj	
innovation	n	
input	n	
inquire, inquiry (enquire, enquiry)	n	
insight	n	
insist		
instant, instantly	adj,adv	
institute, institution	n,n	
instruction	n	
instrument	n	

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insurance, insure	n,v	
integrate, integration	v,n	
integrity	n	
intellectual	adj+n	
intelligence (military)	n	
intend, intention	v,n	
intense, intensive	adj,adj	
interact, interaction, interactive	v,n,adj	
interest	n	This topic raises a lot of interest. I invested the money in order to earn interest.
internal	adj	
interpret, interpreta- tion	v	
intervention	n	
introduce, introduc- tion	v,n	
invention	n	
invest, investment	v,n	

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investigate, investigation	v,n	
invisible	adj	
involvement	n	
iron	n+adj	This tool is made of iron.
irresponsible		
Islam	n	
Japan, Japanese	n, adj+n	
joint	adj	We worked together; it was a joint project.
journal	n	
journalist, journalism	n,n	
Judaism	n	
judgment, judge	n,n+v	
jump	n+v	
just,justice	adj,n	
justify	v	
key (adj)	adj	
kill	v	
king, kingdom	n,n	

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kit	n	
kitchen	n	
knee	n	
knowledge	n	
label		
labor	n	
lack	n	
land	v	
landscape	n	
language	n	
largely	adv	
last	v,adj	
late	adj	The late Shimon Peres.
latter	n,adj	Former / latter
laughter	n	
law, lawyer,	n,n	
leadership	n	
leaf	n	The leaf on a tree.
lean	v	
leg	n	

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legal, legally	adj,adv	
length	n,v	
level	n	
lift	n	I need a lift to Jerusalem.
lift	v	
light	adj	
lips	n	
list	n+v	
literature, literary	n	
local	adj	
locate, location	v	
logic, logical	n,adj	
long-term	adj	
look(s)	n	
loss	n	
lovely	adj	
lower	v	
luckily	adv	
madam	n	

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maintain, maintenance	v,n	
major, majority	adj,n	
male, masculine	adj,adj	
manage ,manager, management,	v,n,n	
manner	n	
manners	n	
manufacture	n	
market, marketing	v,n	
marriage, married	n,adj	
mass, massive	n,adj	
master	n+v	
mean	n+adj, n	A statistical mean; the mean result. He's really mean, I don't like him.
measure, measure-ment	v+b, n	
mechanism	n	
media	n	
medical, medicine	adj,n	A medical student. You have to take your medicine every day. She's studying medicine.

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membership	n	
mental, mentally	adj,adv	
merely, mere	adv,adj	
metal	n+adj	
method	n	
mile	n	
military	adj	
minimal, minimize	adj,v	
minister, ministry	n,n	
minority, minor	n,adj	
mirror	n	
miss	v	I missed the train. I miss my mother very much.
mission	n	
mobile	adj,n	I have a new mobile (phone). (British English for American 'cellphone')
mode	n	
model	n+v	
modify, modification	v,n	
monitor	v	

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moral, morality	adj,n	
moreover	adv	
mostly	adv	
motive, motivate, motivation	n,v,n	
motor	n	
movement	n	
multiple, multiply	adj,v	
municipal, municipal-ity	adj,n	
murder	v+n	
mutual, mutually	adj,adv	
myth	n	
name	v	
natural, naturally	adj	
nearly	adv	
necessarily, necessity	adj	
neck	n	
need	n	
negative	adj	

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negotiate, negotiation	v,n	
net	adj	Net income
network	n	
neutral	adj	
nevertheless, nonetheless	adv	
norm	n	
normally	adv	
northern	adj	
nose	n	
notion	n	
novel	n	
nuclear	adj	
numerous	adj	
nurse	n+v	
object, objection	v,n	
objective	n	
objective	adj	
oblige, obligation	n	I was obliged to agree.
observe, observation	v,n	

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obtain	v	
obvious, obviously	adj,adv	
occasion	n	
occasionally	adv	
occupy, occupation	v,n	Is this chair occupied? The occupied territories.
occur	v	
ocean	n	
offend, offence, offender	v,n,n	I was offended by his remark. The offender was fined ten thousand shekels.
offense	n	
officer, official, officially	n,adj,adv	
ongoing	adj	
opening	n	The opening of the new theatre.
oppose, opposition	v,n	
option, optional, optionally	n,adj,adv	
organization	n	
origin, original, originally	v	

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otherwise	adv	
outcome	n	
outline	n+v	
output	n	
overall	adj,adv	
own, owner	v,n	
p.m.	adv	
package	n	
pain, painful	n,adj	
paint, painting, painter	v,n,n	
parliament	n	
part, partial	n	
participate, participation	v	
particularly	adv	
partly	adv	
passage	n	A passage between two houses. A passage of prose.
passive	n,adj	
pattern	n	

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pay, payment	n,n	
peace, peaceful, peacefully	n,adj,adv	
pepper	n	
per	prep	
perceive, perception	v	
percent, percentage	adv,n	
perform, performance	v,n	
period	n	
permanent, permanently	adj,adv	
permit, permission	v,n	
personal, personally	adj,adv	Personally, I don't agree. Personal taste.
personality	n	
perspective	n	
persuade		
phase	n	
phenomenon, phenomena	n	
physical	adj	
physics	adj	

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pilot	n	
place	v	
planet	n	
planning	n	
plant	n+v	
plastic	n+adj	
play, player	n,n	
pleasure	n	It's a pleasure! (response to thanks)
pocket	n	
point	n	
point	v	
policy	n	
politics, politician, political	n,n,adj	
pool	n	A pool of water. A pool of resources.
population	n	
positive, positively	adj,adv	
possess, possession, possessive	v, n,v	
possibly, possibility	adv,n	

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post	v	We posted our responses on the forum. I posted my letter. (British)
potential	n,adj	
pour	v	
poverty	n	
practical	adj	
practically	adv	
precise, precisely	n	
predict, prediction		
prepare, preparation	v,n	
present, presence	adj,n	
presentation	n	
president	n	
press	n	The main headlines in the press.
press, pressure	v,n	
pretty	adj	
pretty	adv	
prevent, prevention	v,n	
previous, previously	adj,adv	
pride	n	

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primary	adj	
principal	adj,n	
principle	n	
prior, priority	adj,n	
prison, prisoner	n,n	
probable, probability	adj,n	
problematic	adj	
proceed, procedure	v,n	
process	v	
produce, product, production	v,n,n	
profession, professional	n,adj	
profile	n	
profit, profitable	n+v,adj	
progress, progressive	n+v, adj	
project	n	
project	v	
promise	v+n	
promote, promotion	v+n	

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properly	adv	
property	n	
proportion	n	
propose, proposal	v,n	
prospect	n	
protection	n	
protest	n+v	
provision	n	The provision of essential supplies.
psychology, psychological	n, adj	
publish, publication	v,n	
pull	v	
pursue	v	
quality	n	
quantity	n	
race, racial, racism	n,adj,n	
radical	adj	
random	adj	
range	n	
rapid, rapidly	adj, adv	

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lexical item	PoS	Example
rate	n	
rating	n	
ratio	n	
rational	adj	
rationale	n	
react, reaction	v,n	
readily	adv	
reality	n	
reasonable	adj	
recall	v	
receipt	n	
reception	n	Please go to the reception at the hotel. The President had a warm reception.
recognition	n	
recommend, recommendation	v,n	
recover, recovery	v,n	
recruit, recruitment	v,n	
reduce, reduction	v,n	
refer, reference	v,n	

lexical item	PoS	Example
reflect, reflection	v,n	
reform	v+n	
refugee	n	
refuse, refusal	v,n	
regard	v+n	
regarding	prep	
regime	n	
region, regional	n,adj	
regulation	n	
reinforce	n,v	
reject, rejection	v,n	
relationship	n	
relative, relatively	adj, adv	
release	v+n	
relevant, relevance	adj,n	
relief, relieved	n,adj	
rely, reliable	v,adj	
represent, representative, representation	v,n+adj,n	

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lexical item	PoS	Example
require,required, requirement	v,adj,n	
research	n+v+adj	
resident, reside, residential	n+adj,v,adj	
resist, resistance	n+v	
resolve,resolution	v,n	She resolved to leave. We resolved the problem. The UN approved the resolution.
resource	adv	
respectively	adv	
respond, response	v,n	
restaurant	n	
restrict, restriction	v,n	
retain	v	
reveal	v	
review	n+v	
revise, revision	v,n	The author was asked to revise the article. We revised the material before the test. (British)

lexical item	PoS	Example
revolution, revolutionary	n,adj	
ring	n,v	She wore a ring. I heard a ring. Please ring me when you have time.
ritual	n	
rock	n	We climbed up to the rock at the top of the mountain.
roll	v+n	The ball rolled into a corner. A bread roll.
roof	n	
root	n	
route	n	
row	n	We stood in a row.
rural	adj	
rush	v+n	
Russia, Russian	n,adj+n	
safety	n	
salary	n	
sample	n	
sanctions	n	
satisfy, satisfaction	v,n	
scale	n	Large-scale, small-scale

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lexical item	PoS	Example
scenario	n	
scene	n	
scenery	n	
scheme	n	
science, scientific, scientist	n,adj,n	
score	n	The score was 2-1.
screen	n+v	
secondly	adv	She was introduced first of all as a brilliant scientist, and secondly as a composer.
section	n	
sector	n	
secure, security	adj, n	
seek	v	
select, selection	v,n	
senior	adj	
sensitive, sensitivity	adj,n	
separate, separation	adj+v,n	
sequence	n	

lexical item	PoS	Example
series	n	
seriously	adv	
servant	n	
setting	n	
settle, settlement	v,n	
severe, severely	adj,adv	
shadow	n	
shake	v	Shake hands.
share	v	
ship	n	
short-term	adj	
shot	n	
shoulder	n	
sight	n	
signal	n	
significant, significantly, significance	adj,adv,n	
sir	n	
skill, skilled	n,adj	

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lexical item	PoS	Example
slight, slightly	adj,adv	
slip	v+n	He slipped and fell. I made a slip in spelling.
snow	n	
software	n	
soldier	n	
sole,solely	adj,adv	
solution	n	
somehow	adv	
somewhat	adv	
somewhere	adv	
soul	n	
source	n	
southern	adj	
spatial	adj	
specialize	v	
specify, specific, specifically	v,adj,adv	
speech	n	
spirit, spiritual	n,adj	
spot	n	

lexical item	PoS	Example
spread	n+v	
stable	adj	
stairs	n	
stand	v	Where do you stand on this issue?
stare	n	
statistics	n	
status	v	
steal	v	
steel	n	
stereotype	n,v	
stimulate	v	
stock	n	
stone	n	
storm	n	
strategy, strategic	n,adj	
strength, strengthen	n,v	
stress, stressful	n,adj	
stretch	v	
strongly	adv	
structure	n	

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lexical item	PoS	Example
struggle	n+v	
studio	n	
subjective	adj	
subsequent, subsequently	adj,adv	
substance	n	
substantial	adj	
success, successful, successfully	n,adj,adv	
suffer, suffering	v,n	
sufficient, sufficiently	adj,adv	
sugar	n	
suit	n	
suit, suitable	v,adj	
sum	n	
summarize, summary	v,n	
supply	v+n	
surely	adj	
surface	n,adj	

lexical item	PoS	Example
surgery		He had surgery, but is recovering well. I went to the surgery to consult the doctor.
surround, surroundings	v,n	
survey	v+n	
survive, survival	v,n	
suspect	v	
sustain	v	
symbol	n	
system	n	The education system. We have a new system of grading exams.
table	n	The figures are shown in a table.
talk	n	
target	n	
task	n	
taste	n	It's a question of taste.
teaching(s)	v+n	The teachings of Socrates.
tear	v	To tear a piece of paper.
tear	n	He had tears in his eyes.
technical	adj	

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lexical item	PoS	Example
technique	n	
technology, technological	n,adj	
temperature	n	
temporary, temporarily	adj, adv	
tendency	n	
term	n	
terms	n	The terms of the agreement.
territory	n	
theater	n	
theme	n	
theory	n	
thereby	adv	
threat, threaten	n,v	
thus	adv	
tie	v	
tiny	adj	
tip	n	Give a good tip. The tip of an iceberg. Give the waiter a tip.
tired	adj	

lexical item	PoS	Example
tone	n	A tone of voice A telephone ring-tone.
tooth	n	
totally	adv	
touch	n+v	He was touched by her kind words. A touch screen.
tough	adj	
track	n	We walked along the track. Please play the first track on the disk.
tradition, traditional, traditionally	n, adj,adv	
transfer	v	
transform	v	
transmit	v	
transport, transportation	n,n	
travel	n	
trek	v+n	
trend	n	
trial	n	
troops	n	
truly	adv	

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lexical item	PoS	Example
trust	n+v	
truth	n	
twice	adv	
typical, typically	adj, adv	
unable	adj	
unemployed, unemployment,	adj, n	
unfortunately	adv	
union	n	
unique	adj	
unite, united	v, adj	
universe, universal	n, adj	
university	n	
unlikely	adj	
upper	adj	
urban	adj	
use, user	n, n	
valid	adj, n	
value, valuable	n, adj	
variety, variation	n, n	

lexical item	PoS	Example
vary, various, varied	v, adj, adj	
vehicle	n	
version	n	
vertical	n	
via	prep	
victim	n	
victory	n	
video	n+adj	
violent, violence	adj, n	
virtual, virtually	adj, adv	Virtual reality. I understood virtually all of what they said.
virtue	n	
visible	adj	
vision	n	He is a man of vision. Her vision is poor.
visitor	n	
vital	adj	
volume	n	The volume was very loud. What is the volume of a cube?

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lexical item	PoS	Example
voluntary	adj	
volunteer	n+v	
vote, voter	n,n	
wave	n	
way	n	
weak, weakness	n,n	
weapon	n	
weekend	n,adj	
welfare	n	
western	adj	
whereas	conj	
whom	pron	
wicked	adj	
widely	adv	
width	n	
wild	n	
will	n	Where there's a will there's a way.
willing	adj	
wine	n	

lexical item	PoS	Example
wing	n	The wing of a bird.
winner	n	
withdraw	n+v	
witness	n	
workshop	n	
writer	n	
yard	n	The yard behind a house.
youth	n	I remember my youth. The youth of today.
zone	n	

Band III chunks

Chunk	Example sentences
a degree of	You need a degree of confidence to succeed.
a handful of	
about to do sth	I was about to call you when you rang.
aimed at	These activities are aimed at senior citizens.
all in all	
all sorts of sth	
all the way	
among other things	
as a matter of fact	
as a whole	
as follows	
as follows	
as for	
as though	
at a time	two at a time
at first sight	
at risk	
at the expense of	

Chunk	Example sentences
at times	
attached to sb or sth	
back up sb / sth / back sb / sth up	
be able to do sth	
be no good / be not any/much good	
be the case	That is not the case, it's not true
be to blame	
bear in mind	
bear/keep in mind	
better off	-
blow up	The children blew up the balloons for the birthday party. The blew up the old building with dynamite
bound to	It's bound to happen, inevitable.
break down	The old car broke down
break off	We broke off the discussion to have coffee
break out	a disease broke out and many people died

Band III core word list

Chunk	Example sentences
break up	They broke up the meeting.
bring up	The chairperson brought up a new issue. The parents bring up their children.
by / in contrast (to)	
by far	They are by far the best team in the country
by means of	
by means of sth	
by no means	
by now	
call for	I'll come by and call for you at eight o'clock at your home.
can tell	I can tell by your smile that you are satisfied.
care for	She cares for her old mother.
carry on sth / carry sth on	
catch up (with)	Let's meet and catch up! I was walking faster than he was, so I soon caught up with him.
check out	Check out of the hotel by 12 o'clock.
check out sth / check sth out	We checked out the area: it's safe.
clean up	Please clean up after you've finished working here.

Chunk	Example sentences
close down sth / close sth down	
come across sth/ sb	I came across this idea as I was reading.
come down with sth	He came down with the flu
come on!	
come out	The books comes out next month.
come over	Please come over when you're in town!
come true	
come up (to)	A stranger came up (to me) to ask for directions
come up with sth	She came up with an amazing idea.
common sense	
concerned with sth	The article is concerned with matters of health.
consist of	
contrary to	
cope with	-
cut off	We talked on the telephone until we were cut off.
do so	

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Chunk	Example sentences
during/in/over the course of	
end up	She studied medicine but ended up being a teacher.
even so	
except that/for	
fail to do sth	I failed to complete the assignment on time. He failed to turn up.
figure out sth/sb, figure sth/sb out	
fond of	
for good	
for life	
for long	
for some time	
for the moment	
for the sake of	
free from	
from time to time	
full-time	
get away with	He cheated and got away with it.
get into	He got into University.

Chunk	Example sentences
get it	I just don't get it.
get on sb nerves	
get on with	She gets on well with her neighbors.
get out	Don't get out before I park the car.
get over	She couldn't get over her disappointment.
get rid of	
get through	
get to	I'm worried where they got to, they're very late.
give back sth / give sth back	
give in	I finally gave in to his persuasion, and agreed to do it.
give out sth / give sth out	Please give out the books to the students.
go for it!	
go for sth	You should go for the auditions as you are good at singing.
go into	We'll go into details later.
go off	They stayed for a while, and then went off. The milk wasn't fresh and went off quickly.
go over	Please go over your work before you submit it.
go through	

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Chunk	Example sentences
good for you!	
grow up	
hand out sth / hand sth out	
hand over sth/sb / hand sth/sb over	
hang on	Hang on, it won't take long!
hold back sth / hold sth back	He held back his tears.
hold on	hold on a minute, I am not ready!
hold up sb/sth / hold sb/sth up	
how come	
How/What about ...?	
I suppose (so)	
I/you/he etc. had better do sth	You'd better see a doctor.
if only	
if so	
if you like	

Chunk	Example sentences
I'm afraid	I'm afraid you're wrong
in a way	
in advance	
in case of sth	
in detail	
in favor of	
in full	
in itself	The book wasn't interesting in itself but the illustrations were good.
in need of	
in part	
in practice	In practice, the rules have had a positive effect.
in public	
in relation to	Buying a house is expensive in relation to income. We have questions in relation to your decision.
in return (for)	
in short	
in sth terms / in terms of sth	In political terms, the move was a failure.
in that case	
in the first place	Why didn't you say so in the first place.

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Chunk	Example sentences
in the first place	There are various reasons for this. In the first place....
in the form of sth	
in the light of sth	In light of the new information....
in the long run	
in the meantime	
in this respect / in many respects	
in view of	
in/by contrast	
in/with regard to	
it would appear (that)	
it's a good thing	
just about	
just as	Just as I was leaving.... Her painting was just as good as his.
(just) in case	
keep on doing sth	
keep up sth / keep sth up	
let alone	He can't take care of his pet dog let alone a baby!

Chunk	Example sentences
line up (sb/sth) / line (sb/sth) up	Please line up to get your certificates.
long-term	
look down on sb	
look out for sb/sth	
Look out!	
made up of	
make a (big) difference, make no difference	
make no difference/not make any difference Make up one's / your mind	
make out sth / make sth out	Could you make out his meaning?
make up one's your mind / make your mind up	
make up sth / make sth up	I made up a story

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Chunk	Example sentences
make use of	
make-up, make up	She made up her face with new make-up
more or less	
move on	
never heard of sb/ sth	
next-door (adj) next door (adv)	next-door neighbor, the flat next door
no such thing	
no wonder	
nothing but	
now and then	
old fashioned	
on and off	-
on average	
on behalf of	
on board	There were 500 passengers on board.
on the contrary	

Chunk	Example sentences
on the grounds (that/of)	I declined the offer on the grounds of my health.
open up sth / open sth up	
or so	ten or so
or something (like that)	
other than	
out of	The table is made out of wood. Out of all the people I saw today, I enjoyed seeing the most!
out of date	
owing to	
part-time	
pass away	
pass on sth / pass sth on	Please pass on this message as soon as you can.
pay attention (to sth)	
pay off sth / pay sth off, pay off	We paid off our debts at last! His efforts paid off.

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Chunk	Example sentences
point out sth / point sth out	
prior to	
provided that	
put down sth / put sth down	Put down your bags and come in.
put forward sth / put sth forward	The students have put forward a proposal to shorten the term.
put off sth / put sth off	
put on sth / put sth on	
put sth together / put together sth	
put up sb / put sb up	Can you put me up overnight?
put up with	I won't put up with this nonsense!
refer to	He referred to his parents as "my folks".
regardless (of)	
relate(d) to sb/sth	Many youngsters can't relate to old people.
rely on/upon	

Chunk	Example sentences
result in	
run into	I ran into him the other day which was a nice surprise.
run out (of)	.We ran out of paper
run over	The car ran over the dog.
set off	They set off on their journey.
set out	They set out at sunrise
set out / set out sth / set sth out	The teacher set out the rules on the first day of class.
settle down	
shake hands	
shake your head	He shook his head in disagreement.
short of sth	He was short of time.
short term / in the short term / long term/ in the long term	
show up	She showed up earlier than expected.
shut down (sth) / shut down (sth)	We shut down the computer.
shut (sb) up	You're talking too much: shut up!

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Chunk	Example sentences
slow down	
so as to	
so-called	His so-called friends didn't help him.
stand for	UN stands for United Nations
stand out	
stand up for sb/ sth	
stand up to sb/sth	
start out	
straight away	
such as	
sum up sth/sb/ sum sth/sb up	
supposed to do/ be sth	You were supposed to be ready at six o'clock.
take advantage of sth/sbd	I took advantage of my free time to catch up on work. You shouldn't take advantage of someone's weakness.
take back sth/ take sth back	
take for granted	
take off	The plane took off (fly). I took off my hat (remove).

Chunk	Example sentences
take on sb/take sb on / take on sth/ take sth on	We took on too much work. We took too much work on ourselves.
take over sth/take sth over	
take turns	
take up sth/take sth up	It takes up too much time. She took up dancing.
that sort of thing	
that's it	
the idea of	
the main thing	
the other day/ week	
the other way round/around	
the thing is...	
these days	
things like that	
think over sth or think sth over	
throw up	If you eat too much chocolate you might throw up.

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Chunk	Example sentences
to date	
to some extent/to a certain extent	
turn (sth) back	
turn down sb/sth/ turn sb/sth down	She proposed marriage and he turned her down.
turn down sth/ turn sth down,	Please turn down the volume. Please turn it down.
turn off sth/turn sth off	
turn on sth turn sth on	
turn out	Everything turned out well. We were turned out of our house.
turn sb/sth into sb/sth	The frog turned into a prince. The witch turned the prince into a frog.
turn to	She had nobody to turn to for help.
turn up	He turned up unexpectedly.
turn up sth / turn sth up , turn up (somewhere)	Please turn up the volume. Please turn it up.
up and down	The children were running up and down the hall.

Chunk	Example sentences
up to date	
up to date, out of date	
well-being	
Who cares?!	
with respect to	
with respect to	-
with a view to doing sth	
work out	I work out at the gym three times a week.
work sth out / work out sth	
worth sth/doing sth	
Would you like ...?	
write sth down or write down sth	