



## Wordlist Speakout 2nd Edition Advanced Plus A-Z

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10-hour shift	81	n	ˌten aʊə ˈʃɪft	10-Stunden-Schicht	turno di 10 ore	poste de dix heures	a period of 10 hours worked during a single	I did 10-hour shifts every day last week.
a distant memory	68	phr	ə ˌdɪstənt ˈmeməri	Erinnerung an ein weit zurückliegendes Ereignis	un lontano ricordo	lointain souvenir	something remembered that is far away in space or time	Her honeymoon seemed like a distant memory.
a legend in your lifetime	157	idiom	ə ˌledʒənd ɪn jə ˈlaɪftaɪm	bereits zu Lebzeiten eine Legende	una leggenda del suo tempo	une légende de son vivant	someone who is famous and admired for being extremely good at doing something	Stanley Matthews was a football legend in his own lifetime.
a matter of opinion	149	phr	ə ˌmætər əv ə ˈpɪnjən	eine Ansichtssache	una questione di opinioni	une question d'opinion personnelle	used to say that you disagree, or that people disagree about something	"He's a very nice man." "That's a matter of opinion," thought Sam.
a picture is worth a thousand words	94	proverb	ə ˌpɪktʃər ɪz ˌwɜːθ ə ˌθaʊzənd ˈwɜːdz	ein Bild sagt mehr als tausend Worte	un'immagine vale più di mille parole	une image vaut mille mots	an idea can be conveyed better with just a single image than a written or spoken	As far as the assembly instructions are concerned, a picture is worth a thousand
a thing of the past	68	phr	ə ˌθɪŋ əv ðə ˈpɑːst	der Vergangenheit	appartenere al passato	appartenir au passé	something that does not exist any more	We hope that smoking will become a thing of
abandoned	64	adj	ə ˈbændənd	verlassen	abbandonato	abandonné	an abandoned building, car, boat etc has been left by the people who owned or used it	The car was found abandoned in Bristol.
abandonment	38	n	ə ˈbændənmənt	Aufgabe, Verlassen	abbandono	abandon	the leaving of a building, car, boat etc by the people who owned or used it	The fact that the building could no longer be used for its original purpose resulted in its abandonment.
above all	153	prep phr	ə ˌbʌv ˈɔːl	vor allem	soprattutto	surtout	used to say that something is more important than anything else	Max is hard-working, cheerful, and above all, honest.
above board	153	adj	ə ˌbʌv ˈbɔːd	legal, korrekt	alla luce del sole	honnête, légal	honest and legal	His plans for opening a coffee shop are completely above board.
above suspicion	153	prep phr	ə ˌbʌv sə ˈspɪʃən	über jeden Verdacht erhaben	al di sopra di ogni sospetto	au-dessus de tout soupçon	if someone is above suspicion they are so honest that no one could think that they had done anything wrong	The President is surely above suspicion.
academically gifted	28	adv	ˌækədəmɪkli ˈɡɪftəd	wissenschaftlich begabt	accademicamente dotato	étudiant à haut potentiel	concerned with studying from books, as opposed to practical work	Are some people born academically gifted?
accuracy	82	n	ˈækjərəsi	Präzision	accuratezza, precisione	exactitude	the ability to do something in an exact way without making a mistake	He passes the ball with unerring accuracy.
additionally	25	adv	ə ˈdɪʃənəli	zusätzlich, außerdem	inoltre	de plus	in addition, also	A new contract is in place. Additionally, staff will be offered a bonus scheme.
admit	157	v	əd ˈmɪt	zugeben	ammettere	admettre	to agree unwillingly that something is true or that someone else is right	You may not like her, but you have to admit that she's good at her job.

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adorn with	35	phr v	ə'dɔ:n wɪð, wɪθ	schmücken mit	adornare con	orner de	to decorate something with (something)	The church walls were adorned with religious paintings.
ageism	151	n	'eɪdʒɪzəm	Altersdiskriminierung	discriminazione degli anziani	âgisme	unfair treatment of people because they are old	The new law aims to stop ageism in the workplace.
airy	35	adj	'eəri	luftig	arioso	aéré	an airy room or building has plenty of fresh air because it is large or has a lot of windows	All the hotel's bedrooms are light and airy.
all the time in the amenity	98 38	phr n	,ɔ:l ðə taɪm ɪn ðə 'wɜ:l d ə'mi:nəti	alle Zeit der Welt Annehmlichkeit, Einrichtung	tutto il tempo necessario servizio, comfort	tout son temps aménagement	unlimited time something that makes a place comfortable to live in	He strolled up the street as if he had all the The hotel is in the city centre, close to shops and local amenities
amnesia	81		æm'ni:ziə	Amnesie, Gedächtnisschwund	amnesia	amnésie	the medical condition of not being able to remember anything	After the accident, she woke up suffering from amnesia.
ancient	32	adj	'eɪnfənt	alt, antik	antico	ancien	belonging to a time long ago in history, especially thousands of years ago	The ancient Egyptians built the Pyramids.
antisocial behaviour	151	n	,æntsɪsəʊfəl bɪ'heɪvjə	asoziales Verhalten	comportamento antisociale	comportement antisocial	antisocial behaviour is violent or harmful to other people, or shows that you do not care about other people	She was finding it hard to cope with her son's increasingly antisocial behaviour.
anxious	154	adj	'æŋkʃəs	besorgt	ansioso, preoccupato	anxieux, nerveux	worried about something	He was a bit anxious about the safety of the machinery.
apathetic	12	adj	,æpə'θetɪk	apathisch	apatico, indifferente	apathique	not interested in something, and not willing to make any effort to change or improve things	She felt too apathetic even to move.
appeal against	44	phr v	ə'pi:l ə'geɪnst, ə'geɪnst	Berufung einlegen	presentare appello contro	faire appel de	to make a formal request to a court or someone in authority asking for a decision to be changed	Both men intend to appeal against their sentences.
appear	45	v	ə'piə	scheinen	sembrare	sembler	used to say how something seems, especially from what you know about it or from what you	Police say there appear to be signs of a break-in.
applicant	82	n	'æplɪkənt	Bewerber/in	candidato/-a	candidat/e	someone who has formally asked, usually in writing, for a job, university place etc	He was one of 30 applicants for the manager's job.
argue	157	v	'ɑ:gju:	streiten, diskutieren	discutere	se disputer	to disagree with someone in words, often in an angry way	Gallacher continued to argue with the referee throughout the game.
art	100	n	ɑ:t	Kunst	arte	art	the use of painting, drawing, sculpture etc to represent things or express ideas	The cave paintings are an example of early Indian art.
artistically gifted	28	adj	ɑ: tɪstɪkli 'ɡɪftəd	künstlerisch begabt	artisticamente dotato	talent artistique	having a natural ability to do one or more things relating to art or culture extremely well	Opinion about how artistically gifted he was has been mixed.
ascension	120	n	ə'senʃən	Aufstieg	ascesa	ascension	when someone moves to a more important or higher position or job	His ascension to the ranks of senior management was a surprise.
assess	50	v	ə'ses	einschätzen, beurteilen	valutare	évaluer, jauger	to make a judgment about (a person or	The report assesses the impact of advertising
assume	157	v	ə'sju:m	vermuten, annehmen	assumere, presumere	supposer	to think that something is true, although you do not have definite proof	I didn't see your car, so I assumed you'd gone out.
asthma	81	n	'æsmə	Asthma	asma	asthme	a medical condition that causes difficulties in breathing	She carries an inhaler because she suffers with asthma.
at a crossroads	22	idiom	ət ə 'krɒsrəʊdz	am Scheideweg	al bivio	à la croisée des chemins	a time when someone has to make very important decisions which will affect their	Now farming is at a crossroads in the European Community.
at least	70	prep phr	ət 'li:st	mindestens	almeno	au moins	not less than a particular number or amount	It will take you at least 20 minutes to get there.

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at present	70	prep phr	ət 'prezənt	gegenwärtig, gerade	al momento	en ce moment	at this time	The item you want is not available at present.
at regular intervals	92	adv phr	ət ,regjələ 'intəvəlz	in regelmäßigen Abständen	a intervalli regolari	à intervalles réguliers	happening every hour, every week, every month etc, usually with the same amount of	Trains will run at regular intervals from 11am to 4pm.
at risk	70	prep phr	ət 'rɪsk	gefährdet	a rischio	en danger	in a situation where you may be harmed	Their children are also at high risk of developing the disease.
attendant	82	n	ə'tendənt	Wärter/in, Aufseher/in	addetto/-a	gardien/ne	someone whose job is to look after or help customers in a public place	Jim got a holiday job as a car park attendant.
awe-inspiring	150	adj	'ɔ: ɪn ,spɑ:ɪərɪŋ	ehrfurchtgebietend	maestoso	impressionnant	extremely impressive in a way that makes you	The pyramids at dawn were an awe-inspiring
awkward	157	adj	'ɔ:kwəd	schwierig, heikel	rischioso, pericoloso	délicat	difficult to do, use, or deal with	It'll be awkward getting cars in and out.
be about to	92	phr	ə'baʊt tə	kurz bevorstehen	essere sul procinto di, stare per	être sur le point de faire	if someone is about to do something, or if something is about to happen, they will do it or	Work was about to start on a new factory building.
be bound to	68	v phr	bi 'baʊnd tʊ	zwangsläufig etwas tun	essere destinato a, essere probabile che	faire qc forcément	to be very likely to do or feel a particular thing	Don't lie to her. She's bound to find out.
be destined to	68	v phr	bi 'destɪnd tʊ	bestimmt sein zu, vorgesehen sein für	essere destinato a	être destiné à	to seem certain to happen at some time in the future	She was destined to have a successful career.
be held in high esteem	120	idiom	bi 'held ɪn ,haɪ rɪ'sti:m	hohes Ansehen genießen	essere molto apprezzato	être tenu en haute estime	if someone is held in high esteem, people have a feeling of respect for them or a good opinion	The critics held him in high esteem as an actor.
be likely to	68	v phr	bi 'laɪkli tʊ	wahrscheinlich	essere probabile che	être probablement	something that is likely to do or be something will probably do it or be true	Children who live in the country's rural areas are very likely to be poor.
be renowned	120	v phr	bi rɪ'naʊnd	renommiert, anerkannt	essere famoso	être connu	to be known and admired by a lot of people, especially for a special skill, achievement, or quality	He's renowned as a public speaker.
be set on	120	v phr	bi 'set ɒn	etw vorhaben, entschlossen sein etw zu tun	essere deciso a	être décidé à faire	to be determined about (something)	Nina's set on going to the party.
be the subject of	81	v phr	bi ðə 'sʌbdʒɪkt əv	Gegenstand, Thema sein	essere oggetto di	faire l'objet de	to be the thing that is talked about, dealt with or considered	The causes of the air crash are the subject of investigation.
beacon	120	n	'bi:kən	Signalfeuer, Leuchfeuer	faro, barlume	lueur, phare	a person, idea etc that guides or encourages you	The education program offers a beacon of hope to these children.
bear in mind	50	v phr	,beər ɪn 'maɪnd	bedenken, berücksichtigen	tenere presente, ricordare	ne pas perdre de vue	to remember (a fact or piece of information) that is important or could be useful in the	Bear in mind that some children will need help.
beat about the bush	26	idiom	,bi:t əbaʊt ðə 'bʊʃ	um den heißen Brei herumreden	tergiversare, girarci intorno	tourner autour du pot	to avoid or delay talking about something embarrassing or unpleasant	Don't beat about the bush. Ask for your account to be paid, and paid quickly.
beggars can't be choosers	155	proverb	,begəz kɑ:nt bi 'tʃu:zəz	Arme Leute dürfen nicht wählerisch sein.	o mangi la minestra o salti la finestra, prendere quel che	Il faut faire avec ce que l'on a.	used to say that, when you have no money or no power to choose, you have to accept	I'll have to take what he's offering – beggars can't be choosers.
behind closed doors	56	idiom	bi ,haɪnd kləʊzd 'dɔ:z	hinter verschlossenen Türen	a porte chiuse	à huis clos	if something happens behind closed doors, it happens in private and the public are not	It seems that the deal was made behind closed doors.
benefit	50	n	'benəft	Vorteil, Nutzen	vantaggio	avantage, bénéfice	an advantage, improvement, or help that you get from something	What are the benefits of contact lenses?
better late than never	155	proverb	,betə ,leɪt ðən 'nevə	besser spät als nie	meglio tardi che mai	mieux vaut tard que jamais	used to say that even if something happens late or someone arrives late, this is better than	He's finally arrived! Better late than never, I suppose.

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better safe than sorry	94	proverb	ˌbetə ˌseɪf ðən ˈsɔːri	sicher ist sicher	meglio prevenire che curare	il vaut mieux prévenir que guérir	used to say that it is better to be careful, even if this takes time, effort etc, than take a risk that may have a bad result	Set the alarm clock – better safe than sorry!
between you and me	152	phr	bɪ ˌtwiːn juː ən ˈmiː	unter vier Augen, unter uns	detto fra noi	entre toi et moi	used before telling someone something that you do not want them to tell anyone else	Between you and me, I think Schmidt's about to resign.
bicentenary	150	n	ˌbaɪsən ˈtiːnəri	der 200. Jahrestag	bicentenario	bicentenaire	the day or year exactly 200 years after an important event	1991 was the bicentenary of Mozart's death.
big cheese	148	idiom	ˌbɪɡ ˈtʃiːz	hohes Tier	pezzo grosso	gros bonnet	an important and powerful person in an organisation – used humorously	He's the big cheese in this business.
bilingual	150	adj	bai ˈlɪŋɡwəl	zweisprachig	bilingue	bilingue	able to speak two languages equally well, or written or spoken in two languages	Louis is virtually bilingual in Dutch and German.
bimonthly	150	adj, adv	bai ˈmʌnθli	zweimonatlich/ zweimal im Monat	bimensile	bimestriel, bimensuel	appearing or happening every two months or twice each month	He gets a bimonthly magazine on trains.
black sheep	13	idiom	ˌblæk ˈʃiːp	schwarzes Schaf	pecora nera	brebis galeuse	someone who is regarded by other members	Amy's always been the black sheep of the
bleak	104	adj	bli:k	düster, trostlos	cupo, deprimente	sombre, morne	without anything to make you feel happy or hopeful	The company still hopes to find a buyer, but the future looks bleak.
blow away	61	phr v	ˌbləʊ ə ˈweɪ	wegblasen	spazzare via	emporter	to move, or to make (something) move, away from a place by the force of the wind or a	My ticket blew away.
bluff	122	v	blʌf	täuschen, bluffen	bleffare	bluffer	to pretend something, especially in order to achieve what you want in a difficult or	I hope we'll be able to bluff our way past the guard.
blurt out	152	phr v	ˌblɜːt ˈaʊt	mit etw herausplatzen	confessare	laisser échapper	to say something suddenly and without thinking, usually because you are nervous or	Peter blurted the news out before we could stop him
brain imaging	76	n phr	ˈbreɪn ˌɪmədʒɪŋ	Neuroimaging	neuroimaging, brain imaging	imagerie cérébrale	a technical process in which pictures of the	New brain imaging technologies mean that
brainstorm ideas	107	phr	ˌbreɪnstɔːm aɪ ˈdɪəz	Ideen entwickeln, Ideen sammeln	fare brainstorming, raccogliere idee	faire un remue-méninges	to meet in a group in order to try to develop ideas and think of ways of solving problems	Employees get together and brainstorm ideas.
breakout	76	adj	ˈbreɪkəʊt	Durchbruch, Erfolg	di successo	à succès	having a sudden unexpected success	This new smartphone will be the next breakout
breathtaking	32	adj	ˈbreθ ˌteɪkɪŋ	atemberaubend	mozzafiato	à couper le souffle	very impressive, exciting, or surprising	The view from my bedroom window was absolutely breathtaking.
bright	149	adj	braɪt	intelligent, aufgeweckt	intelligente, sveglio	brillant, intelligent	intelligent and able learn things quickly	He was an exceptionally bright child.
bright idea	107	n	ˌbraɪt aɪ ˈdɪə	glänzende Idee	idea brillante	idée brillante	a very clever idea, often used in a joking way to mean a very stupid idea or action	Whose bright idea was it to leave the washing out in the rain?
brighten	82	v	ˈbraɪtn	erhellen, aufhellen	illuminare	s'éclairer	to make something lighter or brighter	The morning sunshine brightened up the room.
brighten up	61	phr v	ˌbraɪtn ˈʌp	aufhellen, aufheitern	ravvivare	embellir	to make (something) more colourful or	She bought some flowers to brighten up the
bring back	61	phr v	ˌbrɪŋ ˈbæk	wieder einführen	riutilizzare, reintrodurre	rendre populaire à nouveau	to start to use something again that was used in the past	The city council has decided to bring back the old electric trams.
burn the candle at both ends	154	idiom	ˌbɜːn ðə ˈkændl ət ˌbəʊθ ˈendz	mit seinen Kräften Raubbau treiben	ammazzarsi di lavoro	brûler la chandelle par les deux bouts	to get very tired by doing things until very late at night and getting up early in the mornings	He's been burning the candle at both ends for far too long.
burn the midnight oil	154	idiom	ˌbɜːn ðə ˌmɪdnɑɪt ˈɔɪl	bis spät in die Nacht hinein arbeiten	lavorare fino a tardi	travailler jusque très tard dans la nuit	to work or study until late at night	I'll need to burn the midnight oil if I'm to get this job finished in time.
burning ambition	157	n phr	ˌbɜːnɪŋ æm ˈbɪʃən	glühender Ehrgeiz	ardente ambizione	grande ambition	a burning ambition (= a strong desire to achieve something), desire, need etc is very strong	My burning ambition is to be world champion.

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bustling	32	adj	'bʌsəlɪŋ	geschäftig, hektisch	trafficato, frequentato	animé	a bustling place is very busy	The flower market was bustling with shoppers.
busybody	13	n	'bɪzɪˌbɒdi	Besserwisser/in, Wichtigtuier/in	ficcanaso/-a	fouineur/-euse	someone who is too interested in other people's private activities – used to show	Mrs Jackson is a busybody.
by far	70	prep phr	baɪ 'fɑː	bei Weitem	di gran lunga	de loin	used to say that something is much better, worse etc than anything else	Watching sport was by far the most popular activity on Saturday afternoons.
by law	70	prep phr	baɪ 'lɔː	von Rechts wegen, per Gesetz	per legge	selon la loi	according to the whole system of rules that people in a particular country or area must	By law, seat belts must be worn by all passengers.
by name	8	phr	baɪ 'neɪm	namentlich, mit Namen	per nome	par son nom	using a person's name	He was mentioned by name in the report of
by nature	70	prep phr	baɪ 'neɪtʃə	von Natur aus	per natura	par nature	according to someone's character	She was by nature a very affectionate person.
call off	61	phr v	ˌkɔːl 'ɒf	absagen	disdire	annuler	to decide that a planned event will not take place	The trip to Italy might be called off.
call out	61	phr v	ˌkɔːl 'aʊt	ausrufen	urlare	crier, dire à haute voix	to say something loudly	'Hi there!' I called out.
calm down	152	phr v	ˌkɑːm 'daʊn	sich beruhigen	calmarsi	se calmer	to become quiet and relaxed after you have been angry, excited, nervous, or upset, or to	Calm down and tell me what happened.
can't help	45	v	help	nicht umhin können, dass	non riuscire a fare a meno di, non potersi trattenere da	ne pas pouvoir s'empêcher de faire	used to say that someone is unable to change their behaviour or feelings, or to prevent	I can't help the way I feel about you.
candy-floss	33	n	'kændi flɒs	Zuckerwatte	zucchero filato	barbe à papa	a type of sweet food made from sticky threads	He bought some candy-floss at the fair.
capable	82	adj	'keɪpəbəl	fähig	capace	capable, compétent	having the qualities or ability needed to do something	I don't think he's capable of murder.
capital punishment	47	n	ˌkæpɪtl 'pʌnɪʃmənt	Todesstrafe	pena capitale	peine capitale	punishment which involves killing someone	In some states, capital punishment is used for
capture imagination	74	v phr	ˌkæptʃər ɪmædʒɪ'neɪʃən	die Fantasie ansprechen	catturare l'immaginazione	captiver l'imagination	to make (someone) feel very interested in something	His stories of foreign adventure captured my imagination.
capture the beauty of something	14	phr	ˌkæptʃə ðə 'bjuːti əv ˌsʌmθɪŋ	die Schönheit von etwas erfassen	catturare la bellezza di	capter la beauté de qc	to succeed in recording, showing, or describing the beauty in a situation or feeling, using	These photographs capture the beauty of the countryside at the turn of the century.
carry back	95	phr v	ˌkæri 'bæk	zurückversetzen	riportare, portare indietro	ramener qn	to make you remember a time in the past	That scene in the film carried me back to my childhood.
carry on	61	phr v	ˌkæri 'ɒn	fortfahren mit	continuare	continuer à	to continue doing something	You'll have an accident if you carry on driving like that.
carry out	44	phr v	ˌkæri 'aʊt	durchführen, ausführen	eseguire	effectuer, réaliser	to do something that needs to be organised and planned	It became clear that Smith had carried out the crime.
carry out	106	phr v	ˌkæri 'aʊt	ausführen, durchführen	condurre	effectuer, réaliser	to do something that needs to be organised and planned	We need to carry out more research.
cast your mind back	61	phr v	ˌkɑːst jə 'maɪnd bæk	an etwas zurückdenken	tornare indietro con la memoria	se rappeler qc	to think about something again or to remember something	He frowned, casting his mind back over the conversation.
catch up with	106	phr v	ˌkæʃtʃ 'ʌp wɪð	sich (endlich mal wieder) mit jmd treffen/unterhalten	rivedere, aggiornarsi con	retrouver, se mettre à jour	to finally speak to someone you haven't had a chance to speak to for a while	I'll catch up with you next week.
catch what someone says	153	idiom	ˌkæʃtʃ wɒt ˌsʌmwʌn 'sez	mitbekommen, was jmd sagt	sentire o capire quello che qualcuno dice	entendre ce que qn vient de dire	to hear or understand what someone says	I'm afraid I didn't catch what you said, because of the noise.

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cave house	33	n	'keɪv haʊs	Höhlenwohnung, Wohnhöhle	caverna, grotta	cave, grotte	a large natural hole in the side of a cliff or hill, or under the ground, made into a place to live	Our ancestors possibly lived in these cave houses.
copyright	151	n	'sensəʃɪp	Zensur	censura	censure	the practice or system of censoring something	Censorship of books is common in some countries.
copyright	154	n	'sensəʃɪp	Zensur	censura	censure	the practice or system of examining books, films, letters etc to remove anything that is	The information given to the press was subject to censorship by the Ministry of Defence.
centre of attention	120	n phr	'sentə əv ə'tenʃən	Mittelpunkt der Aufmerksamkeit	centro dell'attenzione	centre de l'attention	the person who everyone is interested in, listens to etc	Rob loves being the centre of attention.
charming	104	adj	'tʃɑ:mɪŋ	charmant	affascinante, piacevole	charmant, séduisant	very pleasing or attractive	Harry can be very charming.
chatterbox	13	n	'tʃætəbɒks	Quasselstrippe	chiacchierone/-a	pipelette	someone, especially a child, who talks too much	Young John is a real chatterbox.
chauvinist	154	n	'ʃəʊvənɪst	Chauvinist	maschilista	machiste, macho	someone, especially a man, who believes that their own sex is better or more important than	He's a bit of a male chauvinist.
child labour	47	n	'tʃaɪld 'leɪbə	Kinderarbeit	lavoro minorile	travail des enfants	the use of children to do work that is normally done by adults	The company has been accused of using child labour for the production of its garments.
chill out	154	phr v	'tʃɪl 'aʊt	sich entspannen, faulenzeln	rilassarsi	se détendre, se relaxer	to relax completely instead of feeling angry, tired, or nervous	I spent the afternoon chilling out in front of the TV.
chilly	35	adj	'tʃɪli	kühl	freddo	très frais	chilly weather or places are cold enough to make you feel uncomfortable	The bathroom's a bit chilly.
circumspect	148	adj	'sɜ:kəmspekt	umsichtig, besonnen	cauto	circonspect	thinking carefully about something before doing it, in order to avoid risk	The governor was usually circumspect when dealing with the media.
civil liberties	47	n	'sɪvəl 'lɪbətɪz	Bürgerfreiheiten	libertà civili	libertés civiles	the right to be free to do what you want within the law	Detention without trial threatens our civil liberties.
clamour	120	n	'klæmə	Lärm, Geschrei	clamore, chiasso	clameur	a very loud noise made by a large group of people or animals	He shouted over the rising clamour of voices.
clampdown	88	n	'klæmpdaʊn	hartes Durchgreifen	azione restrittiva	répression, mesures de répression	sudden firm action that is taken to reduce crime	The police announced a clampdown on drug dealers.
clarity	82	n	'klærəti	Klarheit	chiarezza	clarté	the clarity of a piece of writing, law, argument etc is its quality of being expressed clearly	Letters may be edited for length and clarity.
classified information	152	n	'klæsəfaɪd ɪnfə'meɪʃən	Geheiminformation	informazioni riservate	informations confidentielles	classified information, documents etc are ones which the government has ordered to be kept	This is classified information.
classy	154	adj	'klɑ:si	fein, elegant	di classe	élégant, chic	fashionable and expensive	There were some classy restaurants in the capital city.
clean forget	155	v phrase	'kli:n fə'get	vollkommen vergessen	dimenticare totalmente	oublier complètement	used to emphasise the fact you have forgotten	I've clean forgotten what I was doing!
clear your name	8	idiom	'kliə jə 'neɪm	seinen Namen reinwaschen, seinen guten Ruf wieder herstellen	difendere la propria reputazione	prouver son innocence	to prove that you are not guilty of something	They fought for years to clear his name.
clearance	82	n	'klɪərəns	Freigabe	autorizzazione	autorisation	the process of getting official permission or approval for something	She'll race if she gets medical clearance from her doctor.
co-author	150	n	'kəʊ 'ɔ:θə	Ko-Autor/in	coautore/coautrice	Co-auteur	an author who writes with someone else as an	We were co-authors of the standard school
colonial domination	88	n phr	kə'ləʊniəl dɒmɪ'neɪʃən	Kolonialherrschaft	colonialismo	domination coloniale	control by a country that controls and rules other countries, usually ones that are far away	They were subject to colonial domination for centuries.
come back	106	phr v	kʌm 'bæk	zurückkommen	ritornare	revenir	to return to a place that you previously went away from	Please come back and see us again soon!
come up with	106	phr v	kʌm 'ʌp wɪð	sich ausdenken, entwickeln	farsi venire in mente	trouver, inventer	to think of an idea, answer etc	We've been asked to come up with some new ideas.

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come up with an idea	107	phr	kʌm ʌp wið ən aɪˈdɪə	sich etwas einfallen lassen	avere un'idea, farsi venire in	trouver, inventer une	to think of an idea	We've been asked to come up with some new
command	71	n	kə'mɑːnd	Kompetenz, Können	padronanza	maîtrise	knowledge of something, especially a language, or ability to use something	He's studied in the US and has a good command of English.
commit	44	v	kə'mɪt	begehen, verüben	commettere	commettre	to do something wrong or illegal	Women commit fewer crimes than men.
commonly held	59	adj phr	ˌkɒmənli 'held	landläufig	diffuso, comune	très répandu	accepted usually or by most people	This isn't a commonly held belief.
compelling	104	adj	kəm'pelɪŋ	zwingend, triftig	convincente	irréfutable	used to describe an argument etc that makes you feel certain that something is true or that	Lucy had no compelling reason to go into town.
con	52	v	kɒn	betrügen, reinlegen	truffare, raggirare	escroquer, carnaquer	to get money from (someone) by deceiving them	He conned me out of £300.
con artist	52	n	'kɒn ˌɑːtɪst	Trickbetrüger, Hochstapler	genio della truffa	escroc, arnaqueur/-euse	someone who tricks or deceives people in order to get money from them	He was a very clever con artist and made lots of money.
conceal	118	v	kən'siːl	verbergen, verstecken	nascondere	dissimuler	to hide (something) carefully	The path was concealed by long grass.
confidential	152	adj	ˌkɒnfə'denʃəl	vertraulich	riservato, confidenziale	confidentiel	spoken or written in secret and intended to be kept secret	Doctors are required to keep patients' records completely confidential.
congestion	38	n	kən'dʒestʃən	Stau	congestione	embouteillage	the problem of too much traffic in a place	Councillors are looking at ways to reduce traffic congestion in the town centre.
conscientious	12	adj	ˌkɒnʃi'ɛnʃəs	gewissenhaft	coscienzioso	conscientieux	careful to do everything that it is your job or duty to do	A conscientious teacher may feel inclined to take work home.
consequently	25	adv	'kɒnsəkwɛntli	folglich	di conseguenza	par conséquent	as a result, therefore	The molecules are absorbed into the bloodstream and consequently affect the
conservative	148	adj	kən'sɜːvətɪv	konservativ	conservatore	conservateur	not liking changes or new ideas	He has a very conservative attitude to education.
considerable	157	adj	kən'sɪdərəbəl	beträchtlich	notevole	considérable	fairly large, especially large enough to have an effect or be important	We've saved a considerable amount of money.
considerate	148	adj	kən'sɪdərət	rücksichtsvoll, aufmerksam	cortese, gentile	prévenant, attentionné	always thinking of what other people need or want and being careful not to upset them	He was always kind and considerate.
construct a theory	149	phr	kən'strʌkt ə 'θiəri	eine Theorie entwickeln	costruire una teoria	construire une théorie	to form something such as a sentence, argument or system by joining words, ideas etc	Boyce has constructed a new theory of management.
conventional wisdom	59	n phr	kən'venʃənəl 'wɪzdəm	gängige Meinung	credenza diffusa	croyance populaire	the opinion that most people consider to be normal and right, but that is sometimes shown to be wrong	As traffic grows, conventional wisdom says we should widen the roads.
convincing	23	adj	kən'vɪnsɪŋ	überzeugend	convincente	convaincant	making you believe that something is true or right	They produced convincing evidence of his guilt.
cooperate	150	v	kəʊ'ɒpəreɪt	kooperieren, zusammenarbeiten	cooperare	coopérer	to work with someone else to achieve something that you both want	They agreed to co-operate with Brazil on a programme to protect the rain forests.
co-pilot	150	n	'kəʊ ˌpaɪlət	Ko-Pilot/in	copilota	copilote	a pilot who shares the control of an aircraft with the main pilot	My co-pilot took over for the landing.
couch potato	148	idiom	'kaʊtʃ pə'tetəʊ	Stubenhocker	pantofolaio/-a	mollasson/ne	someone who spends a lot of time sitting and watching television	He's a bit of a couch potato.
covert	152	adj	'kʌvət, 'kəʊvət	verdeckt, geheim, verborgen	segreto, sotto copertura	secret	secret or hidden	A covert investigation was conducted to catch the drug-smugglers.

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crack down	61	phr v	ˌkræk ˈdaʊn	durchgreifen gegen	reprimere più severamente	réprimer	to become more strict in dealing with a problem and punishing the people involved	The government is determined to crack down on terrorism.
crave	110	v	kreɪv	gieren nach, sich sehnen nach	desiderare	avoir un grand besoin de	to have an extremely strong desire for something	He is an insecure child who craves attention.
crave	120	v	kreɪv	gieren nach, sich sehnen	desiderare	avoir un grand besoin de	to have an extremely strong desire for	He is an insecure child who craves attention.
crowdfunding	77	n	ˈkraʊdˌfʌndɪŋ	Crowdfunding, Schwarmfinanzierung	crowdfunding, finanziamento collettivo	financement participatif	a method of getting money for something, for example a new film or album, by asking many	He was able to start his new business with the help of crowdfunding.
crowning moment	88	n phr	ˌkraʊnɪŋ ˈməʊmənt	Krönung, krönender Moment	momento culminante	couronnement	a time that makes something complete or perfect, or is the best feature of something	Their crowning moment was the winning of the cup in 1966.
cry off	61	phr v	ˌkrai ˈɒf	einen Rückzieher machen, abblasen	tirarsi indietro	se décommander	to say that you cannot do something that you have already promised to do	Leah and I were going to go to Morocco together, but at the last moment she cried off.
cumbersome	157	adj	ˈkʌmbəsəm	sperrig, unförmig	ingombrante	encombrant	difficult and heavy to move	It was a very large, cumbersome machine.
cut down on	156	phr v	ˌkʌt ˈdaʊn ɒn	reduzieren, einschränken	ridurre	réduire	to reduce the amount of something	By getting the design right, you can cut down
daily	35	adj	ˈdeɪli	täglich	giornaliero	quotidien	happening or done every day	There are daily flights to Miami.
danger	86	n	ˈdeɪndʒə	Gefahr	pericolo	danger	the possibility that someone or something will	The refugees believe that their lives are in
dark horse	13	idiom	ˌdɑːk ˈhɔːs	stilles Wasser	(persona) misterioso	qui a des talents cachés	someone who does not tell people much about themselves, but who has surprising qualities or	She's a dark horse. I didn't know she'd written a novel.
darken	82	v	ˈdɑːkən	sich verdunkeln	scurirsi	s'assombrir	to become dark or darker, or to make something dark or darker	The sky darkened and a few drops of rain fell.
date back to	92	phr v	ˌdeɪt ˈbæk tu	stammen aus	risalire a	remonter à	to have existed since a particular time in the past	The church dates back to the 13th century.
dawn raid	44	n	ˌdɔːn ˈreɪd	Razzia im Morgengrauen	irruzione delle forze dell'ordine compiuta all'alba	descente de police à l'aube	an attack or operation by soldiers or police that happens very early in the morning	The police carried out dawn raids on the suspects' houses.
day shift	81	n	ˈdeɪ ʃɪft	Tagschicht	turno di giorno	équipe de jour	a particular period of time worked during the	He's going to be on day shifts for five days.
dazzled	120	adj	ˈdæzəld	geblendet	colpito, impressionato	aveuglé	very impressed	I was dazzled by all the attention I got.
dead language	71	n	ˌded ˈlæŋgwɪdʒ	tote Sprache	lingua morta	langue morte	a dead language, for example Latin or Ancient Greek, is no longer used by ordinary people	He is an expert in dead languages.
deal with	86	phr v	ˈdiːl wɪð	sich um etwas kümmern	affrontare	s'occuper de, se charger de	to take the necessary action, especially in order to solve a problem	Don't worry, I'll deal with this.
debunk	59	v	ˌdiːbʌŋk	entlarven, widerlegen	sfatare	dévoiler, révéler	to show that an idea or belief is false	His claims were later debunked by fellow academics.
deeply	82	adv	ˈdiːpli	zutiefst, höchst	profondamente, molto	profondément	used to emphasise that a belief, feeling, opinion etc is very strong, important, or	Teachers are deeply divided on this issue.
defer	122	v	dɪ ˈfɜː	aufschieben	posporre	reporter, ajourner	to delay something until a later date	Further discussion on the proposal will be deferred until April.
deliberately	86	adv	dɪ ˈlɪbərətli	bewusst, absichtlich	deliberatamente	délibérément	if you do something deliberately, you do it because you want to	I deliberately kept the letter short.
deserted	32	adj	dɪ ˈzɜːtəd	verlassen	deserto	abandonné	empty and quiet because no people are there	The streets were deserted.
deserted	64	adj	dɪ ˈzɜːtəd	verlassen	deserto	abandonné	empty and quiet because no people are there	The old mine now stands completely deserted.
difference of opinion	149	phr	ˌdɪfərəns əv ə ˈpɪnjən	Meinungsverschiedenheit	divergenza di opinioni	désaccord	an occasion when two people disagree	He and Luke had a difference of opinion.
difficult	45	adj	ˈdɪfɪkəlt	schwierig	difficile	difficile	hard to do, understand, or deal with	It's difficult to see how more savings can be made.



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dilapidated	32	adj	də'ləpədətəd	baufällig, verfallen	fatiscente, pericolante	en ruines, délabré	a dilapidated building, vehicle etc is old and in very bad condition	They bought a dilapidated old manor house.
dilemma	50	n	də'lemə, daɪ-	Dilemma	dilemma	dilemme	a situation in which it is very difficult to decide what to do, because all the choices seem	I'm in a dilemma about this job offer.
dim	149	adj	dɪm	begriffsstutzig	ottuso	bouché	not intelligent	You can be really dim sometimes!
dishonest	157	adj	dɪs'ɒnəst	unehrlich	disonesto	malhonnête	not honest, and so deceiving or cheating people	People on welfare are wrongly seen as lazy or dishonest.
disinfectant	82	n	dɪsən'fektənt	Desinfektionsmittel	disinfettante	désinfectant	a chemical or a cleaning product that destroys bacteria	The tables were washed with disinfectant at the end of the day.
disprove	59	v	dɪs'pru:v	widerlegen	disapprovare	réfuter	to show that (something) is wrong or not true	These figures disproved Smith's argument.
dispute	157	v	dɪ'spju:t	abstreiten	contestare	contester	to say that something such as a fact or idea is not correct or true	The main facts of the book have never been disputed.
distinctly	96	adv	dɪ'stɪŋktli	deutlich, klar	chiaramente	distinctement, clairement	clearly	He distinctly remembered the day his father left.
divulge	152	v	daɪ'vʌldʒ	enthüllen, ausplaudern	divulgare	divulguer	to give someone information that should be kept secret	It is not company policy to divulge personal details of employees.
do away with	156	phr v	ˌdu: ə'weɪ wɪð	abschaffen	sopprimere	en finir avec	to get rid of something or stop using it	People thought that the use of robots would do away with boring low-paid factory jobs.
dominant	82	adj	'dɒmənənt	dominant	dominante	prédominant	more powerful, important, or noticeable than other people or things	The dominant male gorilla is the largest in the group.
don't count your chickens	155	proverb	ˌdəʊnt kaʊnt jɔ: 'tʃɪkənz	Man soll den Tag nicht vor dem Abend loben.	fare i conti senza l'oste, non vendere la pelle dell'orso	Il ne faut pas vendre la peau de l'ours avant de l'avoir tué	used to say that you should not make plans that depend on something good happening,	I wouldn't count your chickens, Mr Vass. I've agreed to sign the contract, but that's all.
dramatically	82	adv	drə'mætɪkli	drastisch, radikal	drasticamente	radicalement	greatly and suddenly	Computers have changed the workplace dramatically.
drawback	50	n	'drɔ:bæk	Nachteil, Kehrseite	svantaggio	inconvenient, désavantage	a disadvantage of a situation, plan, product etc	It's a great city – the only drawback is the weather.
dreary	35	adj	'driəri	trist, trostlos	tetro, uggioso	morne, triste	dull and making you feel sad or bored	It was a dreary winter's day.
driverless car	76	n phr	ˌdraɪvələs 'kɑ:	fahrerloses Auto	auto senza conducente	voiture autonome	a driverless car is controlled by equipment in the vehicle, rather than by a human driver	I'm not sure I would feel safe on the motorway in a driverless car.
driving	44	n	'draɪvɪŋ	Fahren	(di) guida	conduite	the activity of driving a car, truck etc	He had to appear in court for a driving offence.
drone	76	n	drəʊn	Drohne	drone	drone	an aircraft that does not have a pilot, but is operated by radio	Drones have been used to take images of countries thousands of miles away from where
drugs raid	44	n	'drʌgz ,reɪd	Drogenrazzia	operazione antidroga	opération de police anti-drogue	a surprise visit made to a place by the police to search for illegal drugs	There was a drugs raid in the next street last night.
drugs-related	44	adj	ˌdrʌgz rɪ'leɪtɪd	im Zusammenhang mit Drogen	connesso alla droga	lié à la drogue	connected with or caused by illegal substances such as marijuana or cocaine, which some	She was sentenced to six months in prison for drugs-related offences.
dwelling	35	n	'dwelɪŋ	Wohnung, Behausung	dimora	demeure	a house, apartment etc where people live	The two buildings form one large, comfortable dwelling.

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early shift	81	n	'ɜ:lɪʃɪft	Frühschicht	primo turno	équipe du matin	a particular period of time worked during the early hours of the day, or the workers who	The early shift will be coming on in a few minutes.
earthbound	35	adj	'ɜ:θbaʊnd	erdgebunden	terrestre, incapace di volare	terrestre	unable to move away from the surface of the Earth	Humans thought they were earthbound until the aeroplane was invented.
easy-going	148	adj	ˌi:zi 'gəʊɪŋ	gelassen, unbekümmert	alla mano, accomodante	décontracté	not easily upset, annoyed, or worried	Her easy-going nature made her popular.
economic development	47	n	ekə.nəmɪk dɪ'veləpmənt, i:-	wirtschaftliche Entwicklung	sviluppo economico	développement économique	the process of gradually becoming financially bigger, better, stronger, or more advanced	The US has been keen to encourage economic development in Egypt.
edible	82	adj	'edəbəl	essbar	commestibile	mangeable	something that is edible can be eaten	These berries are edible, but those are poisonous.
effect	154	n	ɪ'fekt	Auswirkung, Einfluss	effetto, conseguenza	effet	a change that is caused by an event, action etc	My parents' divorce had a big effect on me.
elaborate	82	v	ɪ'læbəreɪt	genauer ausführen	approfondire	préciser	to give more details or new information about something	He said he had new evidence, but refused to elaborate any further.
electrify	82	v	ɪ'lektɹəfaɪ	elektrisieren	entusiasmare, elettrizzare	électrifier	if a performance or a speech electrifies people, it makes them feel very interested or excited	She would sit at the piano and sing, electrifying us all.
elusive	82	adj	ɪ'lu:sv	schwer erreichbar, schwer fassbar	elusivo, sfuggente	insaisissable	an elusive person or animal is difficult to find or not often seen	She managed to get an interview with that elusive man.
embark on	118	phr v	ɪm'ba:k ɒn	beginnen	intraprendere	s'embarquer dans	to start something, especially something new, difficult, or exciting	He embarked on a new career as a teacher.
embarrassment	82	n	ɪm'bærəsmənt	Verlegenheit, Beschämung	imbarazzo	gêne, embarrass	the feeling you have when you are	She suffered extreme embarrassment at not
encourage	86	v	ɪn'kʌrɪdʒ	ermutigen, begünstigen	incoraggiare	encourager	to make (something) more likely to exist, happen, or develop	Violent TV programmes encourage anti-social behaviour.
engineer	82	n	ˌendʒə'niə	Ingenieur/in	ingegnere	ingénieur	someone whose job is to design or build roads, bridges, machines etc	He trained as a civil engineer.
enjoyment	82	n	ɪn'dʒɔɪmənt	Vergnügen, Freude	piacere	plaisir	the feeling of pleasure you get from having or doing something, or something you enjoy	Acting has brought me enormous enjoyment.
enthusiastic	154	adj	ɪn.θju:zi'æstɪk	begeistert	entusiasta	enthousiaste	feeling or showing a lot of interest and excitement about something	All the staff are enthusiastic about the project.
entitled to your own opinion	149	phr	ɪn.taɪtld tu jər 'əʊn ə'pɪnjən	das Recht auf die eigene Meinung	avere il diritto di avere la propria opinione	avoir le droit d'avoir sa propre opinion	used especially when politely disagreeing with what someone says	Of course everyone is entitled to their opinion, but I can't accept what he is saying.
environmental awareness	47	n	ɪn.værənməntl ə'weənəs	Umweltbewusstsein	consapevolezza ambientale	sensibilisation à l'environnement	knowledge or understanding of how the air, water, and land on Earth are affected by man's	Political organisations have tried to raise environmental awareness.
envy	154	n	'envi	Neid	invidia	envie, jalousie	the feeling of wanting something that someone else has	He watched the other boys with envy.
epic	116	adj	'epɪk	episch, lang und abenteuerlich	epico	épique	an epic event continues for a long time and involves brave or exciting actions	It was the following year when he made his epic journey to South America.
establish common goals	122	v phr	ɪ.stæblɪʃ 'kɒmən 'gəʊlz	gemeinsame Ziele festlegen	avere obiettivi comuni	établir des objectifs communs	to decide on aims that are shared by more than one person or organisation	Iran and Turkey shared common goals in their handling of the refugee crisis.
estimate	157	v	'estəmeɪt	schätzen	stimare	estimer	to try to judge the value, size, speed cost etc of something, without calculating it exactly	The tree is estimated to be at least 700 years old.

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etch on your memory	155	v phrase	ˌetʃ ɒn jə ˈmeməri	tief ins Gedächtnis eingraben	fissare nella memoria	graver dans sa mémoire	if an experience, name etc is etched on your memory or mind, you cannot forget it and you think of it often	The island remained etched on my memory.
evasive	82	adj	ɪˈveɪsɪv	ausweichend	evasivo, sfuggente	évasif	not willing to answer questions directly	Paul's being a bit evasive about this job.
everyday language	71	n	ˌevrɪdeɪ ˈlæŋgwɪdʒ	Alltagssprache	linguaggio comune	langage courant	ordinary, usual, or happening every day	Describe it in ordinary everyday language.
evocative	14	adj	ɪˈvɒkətɪv	heraufbeschwörend	evocativo	évocateur	making people remember something by producing a feeling or memory in them	That picture is wonderfully evocative of a hot, summer's day.
evocative	95	adj	ɪˈvɒkətɪv	atmosphärisch, sinnträchtig	evocativo	évocateur	making people remember something by producing a feeling or memory in them	He takes some very evocative photographs.
evoke	95	v	ɪˈvəʊk	hervorrufen, heraufbeschwören	evocare	évoquer	to produce a strong feeling or memory in someone	His appearance is bound to evoke sympathy.
exemplify	82	v	ɪɡˈzempləfaɪ	ein Beispiel geben für	rappresentare	être l'exemple de	to be a very typical example of something	The building exemplifies the style of architecture which was popular at the time.
exhaustion	82	n	ɪɡˈzɔːstʃən	Erschöpfung	sfinimento, esaurimento	épuisement	extreme tiredness	He collapsed with exhaustion.
exorbitant	154	adj	ɪɡˈzɔːbətənt	übertrieben, überzogen	esorbitante, esagerato	exorbitant, démesuré	an exorbitant price, amount of money etc is much higher than it should be	He paid an exorbitant price for his house.
expertise	154	n	ˌekspɜːˈtiːz	Expertise, Kompetenz	competenza	compétence, expertise	special skills or knowledge in a particular subject, that you learn by experience or training	What he's bringing to the company is financial expertise.
expose	86	v	ɪkˈspəʊz	aussetzen	esporre	exposer	to put someone in a situation where they are not protected from something dangerous or	The report revealed that workers had been exposed to great danger.
extensive	157	adj	ɪkˈstensɪv	weitläufig, ausgedehnt	estensivo	large, étendu	large in size, amount, or degree	The house stands in extensive grounds.
extensively	81	adv	ɪkˈstensɪvli	ausgiebig, flächendeckend	ampiamente	largement, amplement	over a very large area	They search extensively for clues to the girl's disappearance.
extensively	82	adv	ɪkˈstensɪvli	ausgiebig	in lungo e in largo	beaucoup, considérablement	widely, over a great area	As a student, he travelled extensively in the Middle East.
eye-opening	23	adj	ˈaɪ ˌəʊpənɪŋ	aufschlussreich, erhellend	illuminante, rivelatore	révélateur	an eye-opening experience is one from which you learn something surprising or new	The whole trip has been an eye-opening experience.
fabricate	154	v	ˈfæbrɪkeɪt	herstellen, vortäuschen	inventare, falsificare	inventer, fabriquer	to invent a story, piece of information etc in order to deceive someone	The police were accused of fabricating evidence.
fake	52	adj	feɪk	gefälscht, falsch	falso, contraffatto	faux	made to look like a real material or object in order to deceive people	She gave me a fake 20 dollar bill.
fall down	149	phr v	ˌfɔːl ˈdaʊn	einstürzen, umfallen	crollare	s'écrouler	to fail because of a particular reason or in a	That's where the whole argument falls down.
fallacy	59	n	ˈfæləsi	Irrtum, Irrglaube	falsa credenza	idée fausse, erreur	a false idea or belief, especially one that a lot of people believe is true	It is a fallacy to think that the more information an organisation has, the better its decisions
fast food	61	n	ˈfɑːst fuːd	Fastfood	fast food	fast food, repas-minute	food such as hamburgers which is prepared quickly and that you can take away with you	There are lots of fast food outlets in the high street.
fault	45	n	fɔːlt	Schuld	colpa	faute, défaut	if something bad that has happened is your fault, you should be blamed for it, because you	I'm really sorry, but it's not my fault.

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figurehead	88	n	'fɪgəhed	Aushängeschild	leader di facciata	figure de proue	someone who seems to be the leader of a country or organisation but who has no real	The Queen is merely a figurehead.
figurine	35	n	'fɪgjə'ri:n, 'fɪgjəri:n	Figürchen, Statuette, Figurine	statuetta, figurina	figurine	a small model of a person or animal, used as a decoration	The shelves were covered in figurines of the Virgin Mary.
financially	82	adv	fə'nænʃəli, faɪ-	finanziell	finanziariamente	financièrement	in a way relating to money or the management of money	He was successful and financially secure.
find out	61	phr v	'faɪnd 'aʊt	herausfinden	scoprire	découvrir	to get (information), after trying to discover it or by chance	Has anyone bothered to find out how much all this is going to cost?
find out	106	phr v	'faɪnd 'aʊt	in Erfahrung bringen, herausfinden	scoprire	se renseigner sur	to get information, after trying to discover it or by chance	Did you find out whether there are any seats left?
fingerprint	33	n	'fɪŋgəprɪnt	Fingerabdruck	impronta digitale	empreinte digitale	a mark made by the pattern of lines at the end of a person's finger, which is used by the police	His fingerprints were all over the gun.
flash of inspiration	149	idiom	'flæʃ əv ɪnspə'reɪʃən	Geistesblitz	lampo d'ispirazione	éclair de génie	if someone has a flash of inspiration they suddenly have a clever idea	As he was thinking about the problem, he suddenly had a flash of inspiration.
food for thought	22	idiom	'fu:d fə 'θɔ:t	Denkanstoß	spunto di riflessione	donner à réfléchir	something that makes you think carefully	The teacher's advice certainly gave me food for thought.
for the life of me	155	idiom	fə ðə 'laɪf əv mi	nicht um alles in der Welt	per quanto mi sforzi	en toute bonne foi	used to say that you cannot remember or understand something even when you try hard	I couldn't for the life of me remember his name.
for this reason	25	phr	fə 'ðɪs 'ri:zən	aus diesem Grund	per questo motivo	pour cette raison	used when giving a good reason for doing something	The river has flooded, and for this reason the bridge is closed.
forgery	52	n	'fɔ:dʒəri	Fälschung	falso, imitazione	contrefaçon	a document, painting, or piece of paper money that has been copied illegally	The painting was a very clever forgery.
foundations	149	n pl	faʊn'deɪʃənz	Grundlagen	fondamenta	fondement	basic ideas, principles, situations etc that something develops from	All theories should be built on solid foundations of factual knowledge.
frantically	81	adv	'fræntɪkli	verzweifelt, hektisch	freneticamente	frénétiquement	in an extremely worried and frightened way, so that you cannot control your feelings	There was still no news of Jill, and her parents were frantically searching for her.
free trade	47	n	'fri: 'treɪd	Freihandel	libero scambio	marché libre	a situation in which the goods coming into or going out of a country are not controlled or	We want to encourage free trade across Europe.
freedom of speech	151	n	'fri:dəm əv 'spi:tʃ	Redefreiheit, Meinungsfreiheit	libertà di parola	liberté de parole	the legal right to say what you want	We will defend freedom of speech and oppose censorship.
fresh perspective	110	n	'fref pə'spektɪv	neue Perspektive, frischer Blick	nuova prospettiva	nouvelle perspective	a new and interesting or useful way of thinking about something, especially one which is	The venture will benefit from their fresh perspective.
frivolous	154	adj	'frɪvələs	leichtfertig, unernst	frivolo, superficiale	frivole	not serious or sensible, especially in a way that is not suitable for a particular occasion	The court discourages frivolous law suits.
full of bright ideas	156	phr	'ful əv 'braɪt aɪ'diəz	voll brillanter Ideen	pieno di idee brillanti	plein d'idées brillantes	having lots of very clever ideas, often used in a joking way to mean very stupid ideas or	Jim? Oh, yes, he's full of bright ideas, he is!
funny	45	adj	'fʌni	lustig, komisch	strano, buffo	drôle, amusant	unusual, strange, or difficult to explain	It's funny how you remember the words of songs, even ones you don't really like.
furthermore	25	adv	'fɜ:ðə'mɔ:	außerdem	inoltre	de plus	in addition to what has already been said	He is old and unpopular. Furthermore, he has at best only two years of political life ahead of him.
galvanise	88	v	'gælvənaɪz	wachrütteln, mobilisieren	galvanizzare	galvaniser	to shock or surprise someone so that they do something to solve a problem, improve a	The possibility of defeat finally galvanised us into action.

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gaudy	35	adj	'gɔ:di	grell, knallbunt	vizioso, privo di gusto	criard, voyant	clothes, colours etc that are gaudy are too bright and look cheap	He was wearing a gaudy waistcoat.
gender inequality	151	n	ˌdʒendə ɪnɪ 'kwɒləti	Geschlechterungleichheit	disparità di genere	inégalité de genre	when men and women are treated differently, in a way that is unfair	Gender inequality means that many women are paid less than men for the same job.
genetic data	76	n phr	dʒəˌnetɪk 'deɪtə, 'dɑ:tə	genetische Daten	dati genetici	information génétique	information relating to genes or genetics (= the study of how the qualities of living things are	This new breakthrough gave scientists immense amounts of genetic data.
genuine	157	adj	'dʒenjuən	echt, wahr	autentico, genuino	véritable	something genuine really is what it seems to be	We need laws that will protect genuine refugees.
geriatric	120	adj	ˌdʒeri 'ætrɪk	betagt	anziano	gériatrique	too old to work well	He's a geriatric rock star.
get a word in edgeways	153	idiom	get ə ˌwɜ:d ɪn 'edʒweɪz	zu Wort kommen	inserirsi nella conversazione	pouvoir placer un mot	to get a chance to say something	Once George starts talking it's difficult to get a word in edgeways.
get round to	106	phr v	get ˈraʊnd tə	dazu kommen, Zeit finden für	trovare il tempo per	trouver le temps de	to do something that you have been intending to do for some time	I keep meaning to put a lock on it, but I never get round to it.
get the wrong end of the stick	153	idiom	get ðə ˌrɒŋ end əv ðə 'stɪk	etwas vollkommen falsch verstehen	capire fischì per fiaschi	comprendre de travers	to understand a situation in completely the wrong way	Geoff had got the wrong end of the stick, and thought I was angry with him.
get the wrong idea about something	156	phr	get ðə ˌrɒŋ aɪ 'dɪə əbaʊt ˌsʌmθɪŋ	sich falsche Vorstellungen von etwas machen	farsi un'idea sbagliata su qualcosa	se méprendre concernant qc	to think that something is true when it is not	Don't get the wrong idea about Dan and Helen – they're just friends.
get to the point	153	idiom	ˌget tə ðə 'pɔɪnt	zum Punkt kommen	venire al dunque, arrivare al punto	aller droit au but	to talk about the most important thing	I wish you'd get to the point.
get up to	156	phr v	get ˈʌp tə	anstellen, machen	combinare	faire, fabriquer	to do something, especially something slightly	What did you get up to at the weekend?
give someone a piece of your mind	110	phr	ə ˌpi:s əv jə ˈmaɪnd	jmd den Marsch blasen	dare una bella strigliata a qualcuno	dire ses quatre vérités à qn	to tell someone that you are very angry with them	After the game he gave the players a piece of his mind.
give the game away	56	idiom	ˌgɪv ðə 'geɪm əˌweɪ	alles ausplaudern	svelare l'arcano	vendre la mèche	to spoil a surprise or secret by doing or saying something that lets someone guess what the secret is	Lynn gave the game away by laughing when Kim walked in.
give the idea	107	phr	ˌgɪv di aɪ 'dɪə	die Vorstellung wecken	dare l'idea	donner l'idée	to make someone think that a particular thing is true	We don't want to give you the idea that you will be offered a permanent job.
given name	8	n	'gɪvən neɪm	Vorname	nome (di battesimo)	prénom	first name (American English)	My given name is Nicholas.
global language	71	n	ˌglɔʊbəl ˈlæŋgwɪdʒ	Weltsprache	lingua internazionale	langue globale	affecting, used by or including the whole world	Why did English become a global language?
gloomy	35	adj	'glu:mi	düster, trüb	buio, cupo	triste, mélancolique, sombre	dark, especially in a way that makes you feel sad	It was a gloomy room with one small window.
glorify	82	v	'glɔ:rəfaɪ	glorifizieren, verherrlichen	glorificare	glorifier	to make someone or something seem more	I don't like films which glorify violence.
glorify	154	v	'glɔ:rəfaɪ	verherrlichen, glorifizieren	glorificare	glorifier	to make someone or something seem more important or better than they really are	I don't like films that glorify violence.
go back	155	phr v	gəʊ ˈbæk	lange zurückliegen	andare indietro nel tempo	revenir en arrière	used to say that someone has mentioned something from a long time ago	United winning the league? Well that's going back a bit!
go back	106	phr v	gəʊ ˈbæk	wieder fahren nach	ritornare	retourner	to return to a place that you previously been to	I think we ought to go back to Paris some day.
go back on	156	phr v	gəʊ ˈbæk ɒn	nicht halten, zurücknehmen	non mantenere (una promessa)	ne pas tenir (une promesse)	to not do something that you promised or agreed to do	Delors claimed that the President had gone back on his word.
go down with	156	phr v	gəʊ ˈdaʊn wɪð	sich zuziehen (Krankheit)	ammalarsi di, contrarre	attraper (maladie)	to become ill, especially with an infectious disease	Half the team had gone down with flu.

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go downhill	22	idiom	ˌgəʊ daʊnˈhɪl	den Bach runtergehen	andare peggiorando	se casser la figure, se	if a situation goes downhill, it gets worse	Grandma fell and broke her leg, and she went
go far	22	phr v	ˌgəʊ ˈfɑː	weit kommen	andare lontano	aller loin	if you think that someone will go far, you think they will be successful in the future	He was the best student in his year, and everyone was sure he would go far.
go in for	106	phr v	gəʊ ˈɪn fə	auf etwas stehen, etwas mögen	essere appassionato di	aimer, apprécier	to do or use something often because you enjoy it	I never really went in for sports.
go on	61	phr v	ˌgəʊ ˈɒn	etwas weiter tun	continuare	continuer à	to continue doing something or being in a situation	He went on working until he was 91.
go on	106	phr v	gəʊ ˈɒn	weitermachen, weiterhin tun	continuare	continuer de	to continue doing something or being in a situation	He went on working until he was 91.
go out	106	phr v	gəʊ ˈaʊt	ausgehen, weggehen	uscire	sortir	to leave your house, especially in order to enjoy yourself	We went out for a meal and then on to a movie.
go through with	156	phr v	gəʊ ˈθruː wɪð	durchziehen, durchstehen	portare a termine	mener à bien	to do something you had promised or planned to do, even though it causes problems or you	He bravely went through with the wedding ceremony even though he was in a lot of pain.
governor	154	n	ˈgʌvənə	Gouverneur/in	governatore/governatrice	gouverneur	the person in charge of governing a country that is under the political control of another	His last post was as governor of a British colony.
gregarious	148	adj	grɪˈgeəriəs	gesellig	socievole	sociable	friendly and preferring to be with other people	He's a very gregarious person.
gripping	118	adj	ˈgrɪpɪŋ	packend, spannend	avvincente	captivant	a gripping film, story etc is very exciting and interesting	Collins's gripping detective novel became a bestseller.
guess	157	v	ges	raten	tirare a indovinare	deviner	to try to answer a question or form an opinion when you are not sure whether you will be	I'd say he's around 50, but I'm only guessing.
gun control	47	n	ˈɡʌn kənˌtrəʊl	Waffenkontrolle	controllo delle armi	contrôle des armes	laws that limit the ways in which guns can be sold, owned, and used	The NRA are against gun control in any form.
haggle	122	v	ˈhæɡəl	feilschen	contrattare	marchander	to argue when you are trying to agree about the price of something	Ted was haggling with the street vendors.
half-baked	22	adj	ˌhɑːf ˈbeɪkt	halbgar	mal elaborato, improbabile	à la noix, foireux	a half-baked idea, suggestion, plan etc has not been properly planned	He's always coming out with these half-baked ideas which will never work.
hang around	61	phr v	ˌhæŋ ə ˈraʊnd	herumlungern	aspettare, stare nei paraggi	traîner	to wait or spend time somewhere, doing nothing	I hung around the station for an hour but he never came.
hang out	61	v	ˌhæŋ ˈaʊt	seine Zeit verbringen mit, zusammen sein	uscire con	traîner	to spend a lot of time in a particular place or with particular people	I don't really know who she hangs out with.
hang out	154	phr v	ˌhæŋ ˈaʊt	zusammensein, seine Zeit verbringen mit	uscire con	traîner	to spend a lot of time in a particular place or with particular people	I don't really know who she hangs out with.
hanker after	120	phr v	ˈhæŋkər ˌɑːftə	Verlangen haben nach	bramare	avoir envie de	to feel strongly that you want something	She hankered after a life in the country.
harassment	82	n	ˈhærəsmənt, hæ ˈræsmənt	Belästigung, Schikane	molestia	harcèlement	when someone behaves in an unpleasant or threatening way towards you	African-Americans have been complaining about police harassment for years.
hard to swallow	22	idiom	ˌhɑːd tə ˈswɒləʊ	kaum zu glauben	difficile da digerire	difficile à avaler	difficult to believe	I found his story a bit hard to swallow.
have a breather	83	v phr	hæv ə ˈbriːðə	eine Verschnaufpause machen	prendere una boccata d'aria, fare una pausa	faire une petite pause	to stop what you are doing for a short time in order to rest, especially when you are exercising	I'm really tired – let's stop for a while and have a breather!
have a clear idea about something	156	phr	ˌhæv ə ˈklɪər aɪ ˈdɪə əbaʊt ˌsʌmθɪŋ	eine klare Vorstellung von etwas haben	avere le idee chiare su qualcosa	avoir une idée claire de	to have a good understanding of something	I think I have a clear idea now of how it works.
have an idea of/about	156	phr	ˌhæv ən aɪ ˈdɪə əbaʊt	eine Idee haben, wie etwas	avere un'idea di qualcosa	avoir une idée au sujet de qc	to be fairly sure that something is true, without	I'm not sure where my necklace is, but I have

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have aspirations	120	v phr	hæv ˌæspə'reɪʃənz	Sehnsüchte, Aspirationen	avere ambizioni	aspirer à	to have a strong desire to have or achieve something	They had a lot of hopes and aspirations for the future.
have something to hide	152	idiom	hæv ˌsʌmθɪŋ tə 'haɪd	etwas zu verbergen haben	avere qualcosa da nascondere	avoir qc à cacher	to be secretly guilty of something	He told the jury that he is innocent, but they think he has something to hide.
hay fever	81	n	ˌheɪ 'fi:və	Heuschnupfen	febbre da fieno	rhume des foins	a medical condition like a bad cold, that is caused by breathing in pollen (= dust from	John always suffers badly from hay fever in the summer.
head straight for	116	v phr	ˌhed 'streɪt fə	ansteuern, sich direkt begeben nach	dirigersi direttamente verso	se diriger directement vers	to go or travel directly towards a particular place, without going anywhere else first	We headed straight for the capital.
heavy	157	adj	'hevi	schwer	pesante	lourd	weighing a lot	The wardrobe was too heavy for me to move on my own.
helpful	82	adj	'helpfəl	hilfreich	utile	utile	providing useful help in making a situation better or easier	Thank you for your advice; it's been very helpful.
heroic	154	adj	hɪ'rəʊɪk	heldenhaft, heroisch	eroico	héroïque	extremely brave or determined, and admired by many people	She made heroic efforts to save her family.
hesitate	82	v	'hezətet	zögern	esitare	hésiter	to pause before saying or doing something because you are nervous or not sure	Kay hesitated for a moment and then said 'yes'.
hesitate	154	v	'hezətet	zögern	esitare	hésiter	to pause before saying or doing something because you are nervous or not sure	Kay hesitated for a moment and then said 'yes'.
hit on an idea	107	phr	ˌhɪt ɒn ən aɪ'dɪə	einen Einfall haben	giungere alla conclusione	il vient une idée à qn	to have an idea or discover something suddenly or unexpectedly	Then we hit on the idea of asking viewers to donate money over the Net.
hit the big time	157	idiom	ˌhɪt ðə 'bɪg taɪm	großen Erfolg haben	raggiungere il successo	percer	to get to a position of being very famous or important, for example in the entertainment	The 46-year-old author has finally hit the big time.
home is where the household name	94 8	proverb n	ˌhəʊm ɪz weə ðə 'hɑ:t ɪz ˌhaʊshəʊld 'neɪm	Wo mein Herz ist, da bin ich berühmter Name	la casa è dove si trova il nome noto	où le cœur aime, là est le très connu	used to say that someone is more fond of their someone who is famous	I live in England, but home is where the heart is Barack Obama is a household name.
however	25	conj	haʊ'evə	jedoch	tuttavia	toutefois	used when saying something that seems different or surprising after your previous	He began his career as a mathematician. However, his main achievements were in
human rights	47	n pl	ˌhju:mən 'raɪts	Menschenrechte	diritti umani	droits de l'homme	the basic rights that many societies think every person should have to be treated in a fair	There are claims of human rights being violated in the country.
hush-hush	152	adj	ˌhʌʃ 'hʌʃ	streng geheim	top secret	top secret	very secret	Everything was very hush-hush.
hypothetical	157	adj	ˌhaɪpə'θetɪkəl	hypothetisch	ipotetico	hypothétique	based on a situation that is not real, but that might happen	Brennan brought up a hypothetical case to make his point.
iconic	14	adj	aɪ'kɒnɪk	kultig	iconico	emblématique	admired by many people and thought to represent an important idea	Have you seen that iconic picture of Churchill?
idealistic	149	adj	aɪ'diə'lɪstɪk	idealistisch	idealistico	idéaliste	believing that you should live according to high standards and principles, even if they cannot	Many people had idealistic values in the 1960s.
identical	154	adj	aɪ'dentɪkəl	identisch	identico	identique	exactly the same, or very similar	The sisters were identical in appearance and character.
ignore	157	v	ɪg'no:	ignorieren, nicht beachten	ignorare	ignorer	to behave as if you had not heard or seen someone or something	The phone rang, but she ignored it.
illegal immigration	47	n	ɪˌli:ɡəl ɪmə'ɡreɪʃən	illegale Einwanderung	immigrazione illegale	immigration illégale	the process of entering another country illegally in order to live there permanently	He called for a common European policy on illegal immigration.
illiteracy	151	n	ɪ'lɪtərəsi	Analphabetismus	analfabetismo	analphabétisme	the situation of not knowing how to read or write	Illiteracy in modern Britain cannot be permitted.
immediacy	82	n	ɪ'mɪ:diəsi	Unmittelbarkeit	immediatezza	immédiateté	when something is important or urgent because it relates to a situation or event that is happening now	Television brings a new immediacy to world events.

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impetuous	148	adj	ɪm'petʃuəs	impulsiv	impulsivo, impetuoso	ungestüm, impulsiv	tending to do things very quickly, without thinking carefully first, or showing this quality	He was high-spirited and impetuous.
important	45	adj	ɪm'pɔ:tənt	wichtig	importante	important	an important event, decision, problem etc has a big effect or influence on people's lives or on	It's important to explain the procedure to the patient.
impose	154	v	ɪm'pəʊz	auferlegen, verhängen	imporre, ordinare	imposer	if someone in authority imposes a rule, punishment, tax etc, they can force people to	The court can impose a fine.
impure	157	adj	ɪm'pjʊə	unrein	impuro	impur	not pure or clean, and often consisting of a mixture of things instead of just one	Unfortunately it was an impure crystal and therefore not worth very much.
in addition	25	phr	ɪn ə'dɪʃən	zusätzlich, außerdem	inoltre	de plus	used to add another piece of information to what you have just said	The company provides cheap Internet access. In addition, it makes shareware freely available.
in conclusion	25	phr	ɪn kən'klu:ʒən	abschließend, zum Abschluss	in conclusione	pour conclure	used in a piece of writing or a speech to show that you are about to finish what you are saying	In conclusion, I would like to say how much I have enjoyed myself today.
in danger	70	prep phr	ɪn 'deɪndʒə	in Gefahr	in pericolo	en danger	in a situation where something bad may happen	The party is in danger of being defeated in the next election.
in decline	70	prep phr	ɪn dɪ'klaɪn	im Abstieg, im Rückgang	in declino	sur le déclin	decreasing in quality, quantity, or importance	He disagrees with the widely held belief that educational standards are in decline.
in effect	70	prep phr	ɪn ɪ'fekt	tatsächlich	in effetti	en réalité	used when you are describing what you see as the real facts of a situation	In effect, we'll be earning less than we were last year.
in fact	25	phr	ɪn 'fækt	tatsächlich	infatti	en fait	used to emphasise that the truth about a situation is the opposite of what has been	They told me it would be cheap but in fact it cost me nearly £500.
in name only	8	idiom	ɪn 'neɪm 'əʊnli	nur dem Namen nach	solo di nome	seulement de nom	if a situation exists in name only, it does not really exist even though officially people say it does	That country is a democracy in name only.
in the limelight	157	idiom	ɪn ðə 'laɪmlaɪt	im Rampenlicht	sotto i riflettori	sous les projecteurs	a situation in which someone receives a lot of attention, especially from newspapers, television etc	Tad loves being in the limelight.
in vain	81	adv phr	ɪn 'veɪn	vergeblich	invano	en vain	without success in spite of your efforts	Police searched in vain for the missing gunman.
in years to come	92	adv phr	ɪn 'jɪəz tə 'kʌm	in künftigen Jahren	nei prossimi anni	dans les années à venir	in the future	In years to come, some of the practices we take for granted now will seem quite barbaric.
independence	86	n	ɪndə'pendəns	Unabhängigkeit	indipendenza	indépendance	the freedom and ability to make your own decisions in life, without having to ask other	Having a job gives you financial independence.
independent	82	adj	ɪndə'pendənt	unabhängig	indipendente	indépendant	an independent organisation is not owned or controlled by, or does not receive money from,	There are plans to split the corporation into a number of smaller independent companies.
infrastructure	38	n	'ɪnfre'strʌktʃə	Infrastruktur	infrastruttura	infrastructure	the basic systems and structures that a country or organisation needs in order to work	Some countries lack a suitable economic infrastructure.
inherit	28	v	ɪn'herət	erben	ereditare	hériter	to have the same character or appearance as your parents	I inherited my mother's curly hair.
injunction	62	n	ɪn'dʒʌŋkʃən	Anordnung, einstweilige Verfügung	ingiunzione	injonction	an order given by a court, which tells someone not to do something	The family is seeking an injunction against the book's publication.
innate talent	28	adj	ɪ'neɪt 'tælənt	angeborenes Talent	talento innato	talent inné	an innate talent is one you are born with	Children have an innate talent for learning languages.
inquisitive	12	adj	ɪn'kwɪzətɪv	neugierig, wissbegierig	curioso	curieux	interested in a lot of different things and wanting to find out more about them	He's a very inquisitive little boy.
insensitive	12	adj	ɪn'sensətɪv	unsensibel	insensibile	insensible	not noticing, or not taking the care to notice, other people's feelings, and not realising when	She's totally insensitive to Jack's feelings.



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inspirational	12	adj	ˌɪnspəˈreɪʃənəl	inspirierend	ispiratore, stimolante	inspirant	providing encouragement or new ideas for	Jones proved an inspirational figure in Welsh
insulator	35	n	ˈɪnsjələtə	Isolator, Isoliermaterial	isolante	isolant	a material or object which does not allow electricity, heat, or sound to pass through it	Wood is an excellent insulator.
intellectual property	47	n	ˌɪntələktʃuəl ˈprɒpəti	geistiges Eigentum	proprietà intellettuale	propriété intellectuelle	something which someone has invented or has the right to make or sell, especially something that cannot legally be copied by other people	I wrote this book, so it is my intellectual property.
interact	150	v	ˌɪntərˈækt	interagieren	interagire	interagir	if people interact with each other, they talk to each other, work together etc	Lucy interacts well with other children in the class.
interactive television	76	n phr	ˌɪntəræktɪv ˈteləvɪʒən	interaktives Fernsehen	TV interattiva	télévision interactive	an interactive television allows you to	We don't have an interactive television – you
interchangeable	150	adj	ˌɪntəˈtʃeɪndʒəbəl	austauschbar	intercambiabile	interchangeable	things that are interchangeable can be used instead of each other	These two words are almost interchangeable.
intercontinental	150	adj	ˌɪntəkɒntəˈnenti	interkontinental	intercontinentale	intercontinental	going from one continent to another, or happening between two continents	An intercontinental flight between the USA and Europe has lost contact with air traffic control.
introverted	148	adj	ˈɪntroʊvɜːtəd	introvertiert	introverso	introverti	someone who is introverted is quiet and shy	Jenny is quite introverted and doesn't enjoy
intuitively	59	adv	ɪnˈtjuːətɪvli	intuitiv	intuitivamente	intuitivement	if you do something intuitively you do it based on a feeling rather than on knowledge or facts	He knew what to do intuitively.
investigation	81	n	ɪnˌvestɪˈgeɪʃən	Untersuchung	investigazione, indagine	recherche, investigation	an official attempt to find out the truth about or the cause of something such as a crime,	The investigation continued for nearly three years.
investigative journalism	62	n	ɪnˌvestəgətɪv	investigativer Journalismus	giornalismo investigativo, giornalismo d'inchiesta	journalisme d'investigation	work or activities that involve investigating something	He's a well-known investigative journalist.
jazz up	61	phr v	ˌdʒæz ˈʌp	aufpeppen	vivacizzare, ravvivare	animer, égayer	to make something more attractive or exciting	Jazz up your everyday meals with our new range of seasonings.
join forces	149	idiom	ˌdʒɔɪn ˈfɔːsɪz	Kräfte bündeln	unire le forze	unir ses forces	to work together so that you can deal with a problem, be more powerful etc	Local schools have joined forces with each other to share facilities.
jokey	35	adj	ˈdʒəʊki	spaßig, witzig	scherzoso	comique	not serious, and tending to make people laugh	Dave was a sweet man, very jokey about everything.
journey	118	n	ˈdʒɜːni	Reise	viaggio	voyage	an occasion when you travel from one place to another, especially over a long distance	The novel is an account of his African journey.
just in time	98	phr	ˌdʒʌst ɪn ˈtaɪm	rechtzeitig, termingerecht,	appena in tempo	juste à temps	only moments before the time by which it is	She finished her essay just in time.
keep on	61	phr v	ˌkiːp ˈɒn	fortfahren mit	continuare	continuer à	to continue doing something, or to do something many times	You just have to keep on trying.
keep up with	156	phr v	ˌkiːp ˈʌp wɪð	mithalten mit	tenere il passo con	suivre	to manage to do as much or as well as other people	Jack's having trouble keeping up with the rest of the class.
keep your nose clean	155	proverb	ˌkiːp jə ˈnəʊz kliːn	sich aus etwas raushalten	tenersi fuori dai guai	se tenir à carreau	to make sure you do not get into trouble, or do anything wrong or illegal	Sid's got to keep his nose clean or he'll end up back in prison.
keep your opinions to yourself	149	phr	ˌkiːp jər əˈpɪnjənz tə ˈjərˈself	seine Meinung für sich behalten	tenere per sé le proprie opinioni	garder ses opinions pour soi-même	to not say what you really think	As the youngest person there, I knew enough to keep my opinions to myself.
keep yourself to yourself	56	idiom	ˌkiːp jəˈself tə ˈjəˈself	die Gesellschaft anderer meiden	stare in disparte, tenersi in disparte	mener une vie retirée	to live a very quiet private life and not do many things that involve other people	We hardly knew them – they kept themselves to themselves.
keep/stay schtum	56	idiom	ˌkiːp, ˌsteɪ ˈʃtʊm	sich über etwas ausschweigen	stare zitto	ne rien dire	to keep or stay quiet or silent	The boss of the failed company is keeping schtum about his role in the disaster.
kill off	152	phr v	ˌkɪl ˈɒf	ein Ende machen, abtöten	sterminare	éliminer	to stop or remove something completely	These figures kill off any hope that the economy is poised for recovery.

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kindliness	154	n	'kaɪndlɪnəs	Freundlichkeit, Liebenswürdigkeit	gentilezza	gentillesse	the quality of being kind and caring for other people	Mrs Smith's kindliness to my wife was much appreciated.
language barrier	71	n	'læŋgwɪdʒ ,bæriə	Sprachbarriere	barriera linguistica	barrière linguistique	the problem of understanding people who do not speak the same language	Living in China was hard for me at first because of the language barrier.
late shift	81	n	'leɪt ʃɪft	Spätschicht	ultimo turno	équipe du soir	a particular period of time worked during the later part of the day, or the workers who work	Nobody wants to do the late shift.
latest thing	74	n phr	'leɪtəst 'θɪŋ	das Neueste	ultima moda, ultima novità	le dernier cri	the most recent or the newest or most popular	These handbags are the latest thing in
launch	81	v	lɔ:ntʃ	aufnehmen, beginnen, starten	lanciare	lancer	to start something, usually something big or important	The authorities are planning to launch a full-scale investigation into the crash.
launch a campaign	149	phr	lɔ:ntʃ ə kæm'peɪn	eine Werbekampagne starten	lanciare una campagna	lancer une campagne	to start something, usually something big or important	The organisation has launched a campaign to raise £150,000.
lead	81	v	li:d	leiten	condurre, guidare	guider	to be in charge of a group of people who are trying to do something	The investigation is being led by a senior detective.
learning experience	116	n	'lɜ:nɪŋ ɪk ,spɪəriəns	Lernerfahrung	esperienza formativa	expérience d'apprentissage	an experience through which you learn a new skill	Everyone in the centre has had quite a learning experience this week.
legalise	82	v	'li:ɡələz	legalisieren	legalizzare	légaliser	to make something legal so that people are	Rules to legalise casino gambling could be
let it slip	56	idiom	let it 'slɪp	etwas rutscht jmd heraus	lasciarsi sfuggire	laisser échapper	to say something without meaning to, when you had wanted it to be a secret	He let it slip that they were planning to get married.
let the cat out of the bag	56	idiom	let ðə ,kæt aʊt əv ðə 'bæg	die Katze aus dem Sack lassen	vuotare il sacco	cracher le morceau, vendre la mèche	to tell someone a secret, especially without intending to	The engagement ring on her finger rather let the cat out of the bag.
let your feelings fly	110	v phr	let jɔ: ,fi:lɪŋz 'flaɪ	seinen Gefühlen freien Lauf lassen	dare sfogo ai propri sentimenti	laisser libre cours à ses sentiments	to say exactly what you think about things	You don't have to hold back on what you say, you can let your feelings fly.
let your hair down	83	v phr	let jə 'heə daʊn	sich gehen lassen, aus sich herausgehen	lasciarsi andare	se détendre, se laisser aller	to enjoy yourself and start to relax, especially after working very hard	The party gave us all a chance to really let our hair down.
liberal	148	adj	'lɪbərəl	liberal	liberale	libéral	willing to understand and respect other people's ideas, opinions, and feelings	I had quite liberal parents.
life and soul of the party	13	idiom	laɪf ən ,səʊl əv ðə 'pɑ:ti	Partymittelpunkt, Stimmungskanone	l'anima della festa	vedette de la soirée	someone who enjoys social occasions and is fun and exciting to be with	We must ask Sylvia to come – she's the life and soul of the party.
lifelong passion	28	phr	laɪflɒŋ 'pæʃən	lebenslange Leidenschaft	passione di tutta una vita	passion durable	a very strong liking for something, that has lasted all someone's life	Gardening was her lifelong passion.
lightweight	157	adj	'laɪtweɪt	leicht	leggero	léger	weighing less than average	He wore a lightweight jacket.
like it was yesterday	155	v phrase	laɪk ɪt wəz 'jestədi, -deɪ	als wäre es gestern gewesen	come se fosse ieri	comme si c'était hier	very well, as if it happened only a short time ago	I remember meeting you for the first time like it was yesterday.
likelihood	154	n	'laɪklihʊd	Wahrscheinlichkeit	probabilità	probabilité	the degree to which something can reasonably be expected to happen	Using a seatbelt will reduce the likelihood of serious injury in a car accident.
likewise	25	adv	'laɪkwaɪz	ebenso	allo stesso modo	de même	in the same way	The meat was delicious. Likewise, the aubergine was excellent.
live up to your name	8	phr	lɪv ,ʌp tə jɔ: 'neɪm	seinem Namen alle Ehre machen	essere all'altezza del proprio nome, essere all'altezza della	faire honneur à son nom	if someone lives up to their name, they do as well as they were expected to because of what	The boss has certainly lived up to his name.
loneliness	82	n	'ləʊnlɪnəs	Einsamkeit	solitudine	solitude	being unhappy because you are alone or do not have anyone to talk to	Her loneliness is caused by being on her own all day.
look back	61	phr v	lʊk 'bæk	zurückblicken	ripensare	repenser	to think about something that happened in the past	When I look back on those days I realise I was desperately unhappy.

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look down on	156	phr v	ˌlʊk ˈdaʊn ɒn	herabschauen auf	guardare dall'alto in basso	regarder de haut	to think that you are better than someone else, for example because you are more successful,	Mr Garcia looks down on anyone who hasn't had a college education.
look furtive	152	phr	ˈfɜːtɪv	verstohlen, heimlich, hinterhältig aussehen	avere un'aria furtiva	avoir l'air furtif	behaving as if you want to keep something secret	There was something furtive about his actions.
look in on	156	phr v	ˌlʊk ˈɪn ɒn	vorbeischauen	fare una breve visita a	passer voir, faire un saut chez	to make a short visit to someone, while you are going somewhere else, especially if they are ill	I promised to look in on Dad and see if he's feeling any better.
look over	61	phr v	ˌlʊk ˈəʊvə	drüberschauen	rivedere	jeter un coup d'oeil à	to examine (something or someone) quickly, without paying much attention to detail	Do you have a few minutes to look these samples over?
look up	152	phr v	ˌlʊk ˈʌp	besser werden	migliorare	aller mieux, s'améliorer	if a situation is looking up, it is improving	Now the summer's here, things are looking up!
loose cannon	148	idiom	ˌluːs ˈkænən	wandelndes Pulverfass	mina vagante	incontrôlable, danger public	someone who cannot be trusted because they say or do things you do not want them to	Don't send John to the meeting because he's a bit of a loose cannon.
lose appeal	74	v phr	ˌluːz ə ˈpiːl	seinen Reiz verlieren	perdere il proprio fascino	perdre son attrait	to no longer have the quality that makes people like something or someone	This kind of music has lost its appeal for the under-20s.
lounge around	152	phr v	ˌlaʊndʒ ə ˈraʊnd	herumsitzen	poltrire, bighellonare	paresser	to spend time relaxing and doing nothing, often when you should be doing something	James does nothing but lounge around the apartment.
magnificent	32	adj	mæɡ ˈnɪfəsənt	großartig, hervorragend	magnifico	formidable	very good or beautiful, and very impressive	The twelve-mile coastline has magnificent scenery.
maiden name	8	n	ˈmeɪdn neɪm	Mädchenname	cognome da nubile	nom de jeune fille	a woman's family name before she got married and started using her husband's family name	I'm Mrs Mary Smith, but my maiden name is Mary Black.
make a killing	149	idiom	ˌmeɪk ə ˈkɪlɪŋ	ein Riesengeschäft machen	fare una fortuna	faire fortune	to make a lot of money in a short time	He made a killing on the stock exchange.
make a name for yourself	8	idiom	ˌmeɪk ə ˈneɪm	sich einen Namen machen	farsi una reputazione	se faire un nom	to become famous for something	He made a name for himself as a conductor of the Berlin Orchestra.
make compromises	122	v phr	ˌmeɪk ˈkɒmprəmaɪzɪz	Kompromisse machen	scendere a compromessi	faire des compromis	coming to agreements that are achieved after everyone involved accepts less than what they wanted at first	Marriage involves being tolerant and making compromises.
make concessions	122	n	ˌmeɪk kən ˈseʃənz	Zugeständnisse machen	fare delle concessioni	faire des concessions	something that you allow someone to have in order to end an argument or disagreement	He was ready to make concessions on many of the issues raised.
married name	8	n	ˌmæɪrɪd ˈneɪm	Ehename	cognome da sposata	nom marital	a woman's last name, when she has changed it to her husband's name	She gave them Brenda's married name and address.
massive	82	adj	ˈmæsɪv	gewaltig, wuchtig	massiccio, grande	énorme	very large, solid, and heavy	The bell is massive, weighing over 40 tons.
master	118	v	ˈmɑːstə	meistern	conoscere perfettamente, padroneggiare	maîtriser	to learn a skill or a language so well that you have no difficulty with it	I never quite mastered the art of walking in high heels.
mastermind	52	n	ˈmɑːstəmaɪnd	Drahtzieher, führender Kopf	mente	génie, cerveau	someone who plans and organises a complicated operation, especially a criminal operation	He is suspected of being the mastermind behind the bombings.
mature	12	adj	mə ˈtʃʊə	reif, erwachsen	maturo	mûr	sensible – someone, especially a child or young person, who is mature behaves in a sensible and reasonable way, as you would expect an	We're mature enough to disagree on this issue but still respect each other.
may well be	68	phr	ˌmeɪ ˈwel	kann sehr gut sein	può ben essere	il se peut bien que	used to say that something is likely to happen or is likely to be true	What you say may well be true.

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meander	157	v	mi'ændə	umherschlendern	vagare	vagabonder, errer	to walk somewhere in a slow, relaxed way rather than take the most direct way possible	We meandered through the ancient streets.
memory lapse	155	n	'meməri ,læps	Gedächtnislücke	vuoto di memoria	trou de mémoire	a short period of time during which you cannot remember something	He had a complete memory lapse and couldn't remember my name.
mess around	61	phr v	'mes ə'raʊnd	herumwurschteln, sich ziellos beschäftigen	oziare	traîner	to spend time lazily, doing things slowly and in a way that is not planned	He spent his vacation messing around on the farm.
metropolis	150	n	mə'trɒpələs	Großstadt, Metropole	metropoli	métropole	a very large city that is the most important city in a country or area	The city has become a huge, bustling metropolis.
middle name	8	n	'mɪdl 'neɪm	zweiter Vorname	secondo nome	deuxième prénom	the name that is between your first name and your family name	Harry Potter's middle name is James.
migraine	81	n	'mi:greɪn, 'maɪ-	Migräne	emicrania	migraine	an extremely bad headache, during which you feel sick and have pain behind your eyes	I won't be coming this evening – I'm suffering from migraines.
mind	23	n	maɪnd	Verstand, Geist	mente, mentalità	esprit	your thoughts or your ability to think, feel, and imagine things	It's important to keep an open mind as you study the topic.
mind your language	71	v	'maɪnd jə 'læŋgwɪdʒ	auf seine Ausdrucksweise	essere attento al linguaggio	soigner son langage	to be careful so that you do not offend anyone	She gave him a frown and told him to mind his
minicab	150	n	'mɪnɪkæb	Minicab (Taxi in London)	taxi a chiamata	taxi	a taxi that you have to order by telephone, not one that you can stop in the street	I've arranged for a minicab for 10 tomorrow morning.
minimal	157	adj	'mɪnɪməl	minimal, geringfügig	minimo	minimal, minime	very small in degree or amount, especially the smallest degree or amount possible	The storm caused only minimal damage.
minimise	150	v	'mɪnɪməaɪz	verkleinern, verringern, minimieren	minimizzare	réduire au maximum	to reduce something that is difficult, dangerous, or unpleasant to the smallest	The rail company is bringing in more trains in an effort to minimise disruption to travellers.
miniskirt	150	n	'mɪnɪskɜ:t	Minirock	minigonna	minijupe	a very short skirt	Lots of young women wore miniskirts in the 1960s.
mobile device	61	n	'məʊbaɪl dɪ'vaɪs	Mobilgerät	dispositivo mobile	appareil mobile	an electronic machine, especially a phone or computer, that you can carry with you and use	This app will work on all your mobile devices.
mobile phone	61	n	'məʊbaɪl 'fəʊn	Handy, Mobiltelefon	cellulare	téléphone mobile	a telephone that you can carry with you and use in any place	The latest mobile phones are on sale here.
modernise	82	v	'mɒdənaɪz	modernisieren	modernizzare	moderniser	to make something such as a system or building more modern	They need more funds to modernise the country's telephone system.
mollycoddle	86	v	'mɒli,kɒdl	verhätscheln	viziare	couver	to treat someone too kindly and to protect them too much from anything unpleasant	He had been mollycoddled as a young boy.
motivate	82	v	'məʊtəveɪt	motivieren	motivare	motiver	to be the reason why someone does something	Was he motivated solely by his desire for power?
mull over	61	phr v	'mʌl 'əʊvə	nachdenken über	rimuginare	réfléchir à	to consider something for a long time	We mulled over the candidates and finally chose one.
musician	82	n	mju:ˈzɪʃən	Musiker/in	musicista	musicien/ne	someone who plays a musical instrument, especially very well or as a job	She was a talented young musician.
myth	59	n	mɪθ	Mythos	mito	mythe	an idea or story that many people believe, but which is not true	The first myth about motherhood is that new mothers instantly fall in love with their babies.
name after	8	phr v	'neɪm ,ɑ:ftə	benennen nach	chiamare come, dare il nome di	donner le nom de	give someone or something the same name as another person or thing	He was named after his father.
narrow down	61	phr v	'nærəʊ 'daʊn	eingrenzen	restringere, ridurre	limiter, restreindre	to reduce the number of things included in a range	The police have narrowed down their list of suspects.
narrow-minded	23	adj	'nærəʊ 'maɪndəd	engstirnig	di vedute ristrette	étroit d'esprit	unwilling to accept or understand new or different ideas, opinions, or customs	His attitude is narrow-minded and insensitive.

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nationalist	154	adj, n	'næʃənəlist	nationalistisch	nazionalista	nationaliste	a nationalist organisation, party etc wants to gain or keep political independence for their country and people	We have seen the rise of the nationalist movement in the country.
natural	157	adj	'nætʃərəl	natürlich	naturale	naturel	existing in nature and not caused, made, or controlled by people	The need for natural light in offices cannot be contested.
nature	100	n	'neɪtʃə	Natur	natura	nature	everything in the physical world that is not controlled by humans, such as wild plants and animals, earth and rocks, and the weather	We grew up in the countryside, surrounded by the beauties of nature.
naughty	35	adj	'nɔ:ti	ungezogen, frech	disubbidiente	vilain	a naughty child does not obey adults and behaves badly	You're a very naughty boy! Look what you've done!
need a good talking to	153	idiom	'ni:d ə gud 'tɔ:kɪŋ tu	eine Standpauke benötigen	fare una bella chiacchierata con	avoir droit à un savon	to need to be talked to in an angry way, especially of a child or someone who is below	I can see that young man needs a good talking to.
neurotic	12	adj	nju'rotɪk	neurotisch	nevrotico	névrosé	unreasonably anxious or afraid	He seemed a neurotic, self-obsessed man.
nevertheless	25	adv	'nevəðə'les	nichtsdestotrotz	ciò nonostante	néanmoins	in spite of the fact that you have just mentioned	What you said was true. It was, nevertheless, a little unkind.
night shift	81	n	'naɪt ʃɪft	Nachtschicht	turno di notte	équipe de nuit	a particular period of time worked during the night, or the workers who work during one of	She found it hard to stay awake during her night shifts at the factory.
no rest for the wicked	155	proverb	nəʊ 'rest fə ðə 'wɪkɪd	es gibt keine Ruhe für die Schuldigen	non c'è pace tra gli ulivi	point de paix pour les méchants	used to say that you have no opportunity to stop working	Well, I had better get back to work – no rest for the wicked, you know!
nomad	35	n	'nəʊmæd	Nomade	nomade	nomade	a member of a tribe that travels from place to place instead of living in one place all the time,	The herdsmen were nomads who did not stay in one place for long.
not have the faintest idea about something	156	phr	'nɒt hæv ðə 'feɪntəst aɪ'diə əbaʊt 'sʌmθɪŋ	nicht die geringste Vorstellung von etwas haben	non avere la minima idea di qualcosa	ne pas avoir la moindre idée de qc	to not have even a general understanding of something	I don't have the faintest idea what to get Rachel for her birthday.
not make head or tail of	153	idiom	'nɒt meɪk 'hed ɔ: 'teɪl ɒv	nicht schlau aus etwas werden	non capire niente di	ne pas pouvoir comprendre	to be completely unable to understand something	I couldn't make head or tail of the instructions.
novel idea	107	adj	'nɒvəl aɪ'diə	neuartige Idee	idea originale	idée originale	an idea that is not like anything known before, and unusual or interesting	What a novel idea!
obstinate	12	adj	'ɒbstənət	stur	ostinato	obstiné	determined not to change your ideas, behaviour, opinions etc, even when other	He was the most obstinate man I've ever met.
off balance	153	prep phr	'ɒf 'bæləns	aus dem Gleichgewicht	sbilanciato	déséquilibré	in an unsteady position and likely to fall	The sudden movement of the ship knocked them both off balance.
off course	153	prep phr	'ɒf 'kɔ:s	ab vom Kurs	fuori rotta	dévié de son cours	going in the wrong direction	The ship was blown off course.
off the beaten track	116	idiom	'ɒf ðə 'bi:tn 'træk	abseits der ausgetretenen Pfade	su percorsi poco battuti	hors des sentiers battus	a place that is off the beaten track is not well known and is far away from the places that people usually visit	We want to visit all the places that are off the beaten track for a change.
off the pace	153	prep phr	'ɒf ðə 'peɪs	im Rückstand	essere indietro	décroché, distancé	not going fast enough	I was off the pace and decided to retire from the race.
offbeat	104	adj	'ɒf'bi:t	ungewöhnlich, exzentrisch	insolito	excentrique, décalé	unusual and not what people normally expect,	She's a little offbeat, but she's a wonderful
offensive language	71	adj	ə'fensɪv 'læŋgwɪdʒ	beleidigende Sprache	linguaggio offensivo	langage injurieux	very rude or insulting and likely to upset people	I found her language deeply offensive.
official language	71	n	ə'fɪʃəl 'læŋgwɪdʒ	offizielle Sprache	lingua ufficiale	langue officielle	a language used by people in authority, especially the government of a country	Hindi is one of the official languages of India.
old hand	13	idiom	'əʊld 'hænd	alter Hase	esperto/-a del mestiere	personne très expérimentée	someone who has a lot of experience of something	He's an old hand at the job.

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on average	70	prep phr	ɒn 'ævərɪdʒ	im Durchschnitt	in media	en moyenne	based on a calculation about how many times something usually happens, how much money	On average, men still earn more than women.
on the other hand	25	phr	ɒn ði 'lðə hænd	andererseits	dall'altro lato	d'autre part	used to give another opinion or fact that should be considered as well as the one you have just given	I'd like to eat out, but on the other hand I should be trying to save money.
on the road	116	phr	ɒn ðə 'rəʊd	unterwegs	in viaggio	sur la route	travelling	They're on the road for six months out of every year.
on the tip of your tongue	155	idiom	ɒn ðə 'tɪp əv jə 'tʌŋ	auf der Zunge	sulla punta della lingua	sur le bout de la langue	if a word, name etc is on the tip of your tongue, you know it but cannot remember it	What is her name? It's on the tip of my tongue. Joan. Joan Simpson. That's it!
on track	70	prep phr	ɒn 'træk	in der Geraden, auf Kurs	sulla via, sulla strada	en bonne voie de	to be likely to achieve a particular result	We're still on track for 10% growth.
on trial	70	prep phr	ɒn 'traɪəl	zur Probe	in prova	à l'essai	a short period during which you use or do something or employ someone to find out whether they are satisfactory for a particular purpose or job	They let me have the computer on trial for thirty days.
once-in-a-lifetime	155	adj	ˌwʌns ɪn ə 'laɪftaɪm	einmalig, einmalige Chance im Leben	irripetibile	unique	the best that you will ever have	It was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.
one-hit wonder	157	idiom	ˌwʌn hɪt 'wʌndə	Eintagsfliege	meteora	tube sans lendemain	if someone has success with one song, book, etc. only, they are a one-hit wonder	She made a lot of money with that song, but she turned out to be a one-hit wonder.
open-minded	12	adj	ˌəʊpən 'maɪndəd	aufgeschlossen, unvoreingenommen	di mentalità aperta	ouvert d'esprit	willing to consider and accept other people's ideas and opinions	She's quite open-minded about what job she wants to do.
opinion is divided	149	phr	əˌpɪnjən ɪz dɪ'vaɪdəd	die Meinung ist geteilt	i pareri sono discordi	les avis sont partagés	people have different opinions about something	Opinion was divided as to whether the program will work.
opinionated	149	adj	əˌpɪnjənɪɪtəd	eigensinnig, rechthaberisch	saccente, presuntuoso	qui a des avis très arrêtés	expressing very strong opinions about things	I found him very arrogant and opinionated.
opportunity	82	n	ˌɒpə'tju:nəti	Gelegenheit	opportunità	occasion	a chance to do something or an occasion when it is easy for you to do something	I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you all.
organised crime	151	n	ˌɔ:gənaɪzd 'kraɪm	organisiertes Verbrechen	crimine organizzato	crime organisé	a large and powerful organisation of criminals	Organised crime is involved in drug trafficking.
original idea	107	n	əˌrɪdʒənəl aɪ'diə	originelle Idee	idea originale	idée originale	an idea that is completely new and different from anything that anyone has thought of	I don't think George is capable of having original ideas!
ostracise	157	v	'ɒstrəsaɪz	ausgrenzen	ostracizzare	ostraciser	if a group of people ostracise someone, they refuse to accept them as a member of the	He was ostracised by the other students.
out of control	70	prep phr	ˌaʊt əv kəntrəʊl	außer Kontrolle	fuori controllo	incontrôlable	not having the ability or power to make someone or something do what you want or	The economy is worsening and out of control.
out of necessity	70	prep phr	ˌaʊt əv nə'sesəti	notgedrungen, gezwungenermaßen	per necessità	par nécessité	used when something happens in a particular way because that is the only possible way it	Many of the jobs are temporary out of necessity.
out of sight	70	prep phr	ˌaʊt əv 'saɪt	unsichtbar, außer Sicht	nascosto	hors de vue	hidden	Voters suspected the real political agenda was being kept out of sight.
out of sight, out of mind	94	proverb	aʊt əv 'saɪt aʊt əv 'maɪnd	aus den Augen, aus dem Sinn	lontano dagli occhi, lontano dal cuore	loin des yeux, loin du coeur	used to say that people soon stop thinking about something or someone if they do not	I forgot all about her. Out of sight, out of mind, I suppose.
outlast	150	v	aʊt 'lɑ:st	länger halten (als etwas anderes), überdauern	durare più a lungo di	vivre/durer plus longtemps que	to continue to exist or be effective for a longer time than something else	A leather sofa will usually outlast a cloth one.
outplay	150	v	aʊt 'pleɪ	jmd gegen die Wand spielen, besser spielen als jmd	battere	surpasser, dominer	to beat an opponent in a game by playing with more skill than they do	Murray outplayed his opponent in the final.
outrage	88	n	'aʊtreɪdʒ	Empörung	indignazione	indignation	a feeling of great anger and shock	The response to the jury's verdict was one of outrage.

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outsell	150	v	ˌaʊtˈsel	mehr verkaufen als jmd anderes	vendere di più di	se vendre mieux que	to sell more goods or products than a competitor	Australia now outsells the US in wines.
outset	92	n	ˌɔɪˈaʊtset	Anfang, Beginn	inizio, principio	début	the beginning of an event or process	It was clear from the outset that there were
over the hill	22	idiom	ˌəʊvəˈðəˈhɪl	die beste Zeit hinter sich haben	attempato	sur le déclin	no longer young, and therefore no longer attractive or good at doing things	Kathleen thinks she's over the hill, but she's only 32.
over the hill	153	prep phr	ˌəʊvəˈðəˈhɪl	auf dem absteigenden Ast	attempato	ne plus être tout jeune	no longer young, and therefore no longer attractive or good at doing things	Kathleen thinks she's over the hill, but she's only 32.
over the moon	153	prep phr	ˌəʊvəˈðəˈmuːn	im siebten Himmel	essere al settimo cielo	sur un petit nuage	very happy	I was over the moon when I won the championship.
over the top	153	adj	ˌəʊvəˈðəˈtɒp	überspannt, übertrieben	fuori luogo, esagerato	exagéré	remarks, behaviour etc that are over the top are so extreme or unreasonable that they	He was a bit over the top with his drinking last night.
over-ambitious	12	adj	ˌəʊvərˈæmˈbɪʃəs	übermäßig ehrgeizig	eccessivamente ambizioso	trop ambitieux	too determined to be successful, rich, powerful etc :	The over-ambitious health reform programme failed.
overnight success	120	idiom	ˌəʊvənɪtˈsəkˈses	über Nacht berühmt	fama istantanea	succès du jour au lendemain	a success that happens surprisingly quickly	The show was an overnight success.
overpopulated	150	adj	ˌəʊvəˈpɒpjəleɪtəd	übervölkert	sovrapopolato	surpeuplé	if a place is overpopulated there are too many people living in it	Most of our cities are overpopulated.
over-protectiveness	86	n	ˌəʊvərˈprɒˈtektɪvənəs	Überbehütung	l'essere troppo protettivo	sur-protection	the quality of being so anxious to protect	He was guilty of over-protectiveness towards
overrated	104	adj	ˌəʊvərˈreɪtəd	überbewertet	sopravvalutato	surfait	not as good or important as some people think	The new film was vastly overrated.
pain in the neck	13	idiom	ˌpeɪn ɪn ðəˈnek	Nervensäge	spina nel fianco	Casse-pieds	someone who is very annoying	Joshua is a pain in the neck.
pass the time	98	phr	ˌpɑːs ðəˈtaɪm	die Zeit verkürzen	passare il tempo	faire passer le temps	to make time seem to go by more quickly	We played cards to pass the time.
passing trend	74	n phr	ˌpɑːsɪŋˈtrend	vorübergehender Trend	moda passeggera	tendance passagère	a fashion, activity, type of music etc that suddenly becomes very popular, but only	I'm sure it's just a passing trend.
pay off	157	phr v	ˌpeɪˈɒf	sich auszahlen	ripagare, dare buoni risultati	porter ses fruits	if something you do pays off, it is successful or has a good result	Teamwork paid off.
pay your dues	120	idiom	ˌpeɪ jɔːˈdjuːz	seine Beiträge zahlen / sich beweisen	fare il proprio dovere	faire ses preuves	to make regular payments, or fulfil obligations, to an organisation of which you are a member	You have to start at the bottom of the career ladder and pay your dues.
pension off	61	phr v	ˌpenʃənˈɒf	in Rente/Pension schicken	mandare in pensione	mettre à la retraite	to make someone leave their job when they are old or ill and pay them a pension, or to get	Many of the old ships have been pensioned off.
perception	59	n	pəˈsepʃən	Wahrnehmung	percezione	perception	the way you think about something and your idea of what it is like	Art is a great way to discover children's perceptions of the world.
perceptive	12	adj	pəˈseptɪv	scharfsinnig	perspicace	perspicace	someone who is perceptive notices things quickly and understands situations, people's feelings etc well – used to show approval	You're right. That's very perceptive of you.
personable	154	adj	ˈpɜːsənəbəl	sympathisch	piacevole, gradevole	plaisant, aimable	someone who is personable is attractive and pleasant	She is a very personable young woman.
personal opinion	149	phr	ˌpɜːsənəl əˈpɪnjən	persönliche Meinung	opinione personale	avis personnel	what you yourself think about something or someone	My personal opinion is that his first film was better.
perspective	23	n	pəˈspektɪv	Perspektive	prospettiva	perspective, point de vue	a way of thinking about something, especially one which is influenced by the type of person you are or by your experiences	His father's death gave him a whole new perspective on life.
persuasive	82	adj	pəˈsweɪsɪv	überzeugend	persuasivo	persuasif	able to make other people believe something or do what you ask	Trevor can be very persuasive.

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physically gifted	28	adj	ˈfɪzɪkli ˈɡɪftəd	sportlich begabt	fisicamente dotato	talent sportif	having a natural physical ability to do one or more things extremely well	He was a physically gifted gymnast.
pick up	106	phr v	ˈpɪk ˈʌp	in die Hand nehmen	raccogliere, sollevare	prendre, ramasser	to lift something or someone up	He picked up the letter and read it.
picturesque	32	adj	ˈpɪktʃəˈresk	pittoresk	pittoresco	pittoresque	a picturesque place is pretty and interesting in an old-fashioned way	It was a quiet fishing village with a picturesque harbour.
play devil's advocate	26	idiom	ˈdevəlz ˈædvəkət	des Teufels Advokat spielen	fare l'avvocato del diavolo	faire l'avocat du diable	to pretend to disagree with someone in order to have a good discussion about something	To play devil's advocate for a moment, what if the factory did close?
poignant	104	adj	ˈpɔɪnjənt	schmerzlich, ergreifend	commovente	poignant	making you feel sad or full of pity	The statue is a poignant reminder of our nation's great sacrifices.
point out	106	phr v	ˈpɔɪnt ˈaʊt	hinweisen auf	far notare	signaler, indiquer	to tell someone something that they did not already know or had not thought about	He was always very keen to point out my mistakes.
point to	68	v phr	ˈpɔɪnt tu	hindeuten auf	far supporre	désigner	to suggest that something is true	Everything points to her having died from a drugs overdose.
poky	35	adj	ˈpəʊki	eng, klein	stretto, angusto	exigu	too small and not very pleasant or comfortable	The whole family was crammed into two poky little rooms.
police raid	44	n	pəˈli:s ˈreɪd	Razzia der Polizei	irruzione della polizia	descente de police	a surprise visit made to a place by the police to search for something illegal	Two suspects were arrested during the police raid.
pore over	61	phr v	ˈpɔ:r ˈəʊvə	genau studieren	leggere attentamente	lire attentivement, examiner de près	to read or look at something very carefully for a long time	She was poring over a book.
poverty	151	n	ˈpɒvəti	Armut	povertà	pauvreté	the situation or experience of being poor	Millions of elderly people live in poverty.
practise what you preach	94	proverb	ˈpræktɪs wɒt ju ˈpri:tʃ	lass Worten Taten folgen	predicare bene ma razzolare male	mettre en pratique ce que l'on prêche	to do the things that you advise other people to do	She didn't always practise what she preached.
preconception	23	n	ˈpri:kənˈsepʃən	Vorurteil	preconcetto	idée préconçue	a belief or opinion that you have already formed before you know the actual facts, and that may be wrong	I had the same preconceptions about life in South Africa that many people have.
predicament	50	n	prɪˈdɪkəmənt	Zwickmühle, missliche Lage	situazione difficile	situation délicate	a difficult or unpleasant situation in which you do not know what to do, or in which you have	She went to the office to explain her predicament.
prejudiced	12	adj	ˈpredʒədəst	voreingenommen	prevenuto	qui a des préjugés	having an unreasonable dislike of someone or something, especially a dislike of a group of	Some officers were racially prejudiced.
presume	81	v	prɪˈzju:m	annehmen	supporre, presumere	présumer	to think that something is true, although you are not certain	From the way he talked I presumed, wrongly, that he was your boss.
presumed dead	81	phr	prɪˈzju:m ˈded	vermutlich tot	si presume che sia morto	préssumé mort	to accept that someone is dead until it is shown to not be true, especially in law	Their nephew was missing, presumed dead.
presumed innocent	81	phr	prɪˈzju:m ˈɪnəsənt	vermutlich unschuldig	si presume che sia innocente	préssumé innocent	to accept that someone is innocent until it is shown to not be true, especially in law	The defendant is presumed innocent until he or she is found guilty.
pretence	82	n	prɪˈtens	Vortäuschung	messinscena, simulazione	faux-semblant	a way of behaving which is intended to make people believe something that is not true	How long are you going to keep up the pretence of being ill?
previous	44	adj	ˈpri:vɪəs	vorherig, vorhergehend	precedente	précédent	having happened or existed before the event, time, or thing that you are talking about now	I've met him before on two previous occasions.
primitive	35	adj	ˈprɪmətɪv	primitiv	primitivo	primitif	belonging to a simple way of life that existed in the past and does not have modern industries	The village buildings were quite primitive.
prioritise	82	v	praɪˈɒrətaɪz	Prioritäten setzen	dare priorità	classer par ordre de priorité	to put several things, problems etc in order of importance, so that you can deal with the most	You need to prioritise your tasks.
production	82	n	prəˈdʌkʃən	Produktion	produzione	production	the process of making or growing things to be sold, especially in large quantities	The production of consumer goods has slowed recently.



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professor	82	n	prə'fesə	Professor/in	professore/professoressa	professeur	a teacher of the highest rank in a university department	She's been named the professor of English.
pros and cons	50	n phr	ˌprəʊz ən 'kɒnz	Vor- und Nachteile	vantaggi e svantaggi	le pour et le contre	the advantages and disadvantages of something	We discussed the pros and cons of going to university.
protest	44	v	prə'test	beteuern	protestare	clamer, proclamer	to state very firmly that something is true, when other people do not believe you	Years later, he is still protesting his innocence.
prove	44	v	pru:v	beweisen	provare	prouver, démontrer	to show that (something) is true by providing facts, information etc	He claims the police destroyed records that could prove the officer's innocence.
provenance	52	n	'prɒvənəns	Herkunft	provenienza	provenance	the place where something originally came	The provenance of the paintings is unknown.
provocative	14	adj	prə'vɒkətɪv	provokant	provocatorio	provocateur	provocative behaviour, remarks etc are intended to make people angry or upset, or to	The minister's provocative remarks were widely reported in the press.
pursue	81	v	pə'sju:	aufnehmen, verfolgen	proseguire, portare avanti	poursuivre	to continue trying to find out about or persuade someone about a particular subject	A private detective was hired to pursue the investigation.
push the boat out	76	idiom	ˌpʊʃ ðə 'bəʊt aʊt	auf den Putz hauen	fare le cose in grande	faire les choses en grand	to spend more money than you usually do, on something special	Push the boat out and get tickets to the theatre or ballet.
pushed for time	98	phr	ˌpʊʃt fə 'taɪm	es eilig haben	avere i minuti contati	être à court de temps	if you are pushed for time you are very busy and have little time to spare	He was pushed for time so couldn't stay to help her.
put away	61	phr v	ˌpʊt ə'weɪ	wegräumen, weglegen	mettere a posto	ranger	to put (something) in the place where it is usually kept	He put his toys away every night.
put success down to	28	phr	ˌpʊt sək'ses daʊn tə	Erfolg zurückführen auf	attribuire il successo a	attribuer le succès à	to think that a success is caused by something else	I put the team's success down to good management.
put up with	106	phr v	pʊt 'ʌp wɪð	dulden, ertragen	tollerare	supporter, tolérer	to accept an unpleasant situation or person without complaining	She put up with his violent temper.
put your best foot forward	155	proverb	pʊt jɔ: ˌbest fʊt 'fɔ:wəd	sein Bestes geben	dare il meglio di sé	faire de son mieux	used to describe a situation where you have to make your best attempt at success	OK, put your best foot forward and we'll find out the results tomorrow.
put your name forward	8	phr	pʊt 'fɔ:wəd	sich aufstellen lassen, kandidieren	candidarsi, fare il proprio nome	se proposer	to suggest formally that you should be considered for a particular job, membership of	He put his name forward as a candidate for governor.
quaint	150	adj	kweɪnt	pittoresk, malerisch	pittoresco	pittoresque	unusual and attractive, especially in an old-fashioned way	We stayed in a quaint little village.
quarantine	64	n	'kwɒrənti:n	Quarantäne	quarantena	quarantaine	a period of time when a person or animal is kept apart from others in case they are	The monkeys were kept in quarantine for 31 days.
quit your job	116	v phr	ˌkwɪt jə 'dʒɒb	seine Stelle kündigen, seinen Job aufgeben	licenziarsi	quitter son emploi	to leave a job, especially without finishing it completely	He quit his job after an argument with a colleague.
raise	81	v	reɪz	schlagen, auslösen (Alarm)	lanciare (l'allarme)	donner (l'alarme)	to warn people that something bad is happening	Neighbours raised the alarm when they smelled smoke.
ramshackle	150	adj	'ræmfækəl	baufällig, marode	cadente, traballante	délabré	a ramshackle building or vehicle is in bad condition and in need of repair	They lived in a ramshackle old cottage.
rant	110	v, n	rænt	schimpfen	inveire	râler contre	to talk or complain in a loud, excited and rather confused way because you feel strongly	She was ranting about the unfairness of it all.
rave	110	v, n	reɪv	schwärmen	entusiasarsi	s'extasier sur	to talk about something you enjoy or admire in an excited way	Now I understand why travellers rave about Lapland.
reach the peak	22	idiom	ˌri:tʃ ðə 'pi:k	den Gipfel erreichen (fig.)	raggiungere la vetta	atteindre le sommet	the time when something or someone is best,	Most athletes reach their peak in their mid 20s.
ready	35	adj	'redi	bereit, fertig	pronto	prêt	if you are ready, you are prepared for what you are going to do	When the doorbell rang he was ready and waiting.

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realise	82	v	'ri:əlaɪz	bemerken, realisieren	rendersi conto	se rendre compte de	to know and understand something, or suddenly begin to understand it	I suddenly realised that the boy was crying.
reappearance	82	n	,ri:ə'piərəns	Wiedererscheinen	ricomparsa	réapparition	the act of appearing again after not being seen for some time	Many of these ideas make a reappearance in his later books.
rebellious	12	adj	ri'beljəs	rebellisch	ribelle	rebelle	deliberately not obeying people in authority or rules of behaviour	He's always had a rebellious streak (= a tendency to rebel).
rebellious	82	adj	ri'beljəs	aufmüpfig, rebellisch	ribelle	rebelle	deliberately not obeying people in authority or rules of behaviour	How would you like to take charge of a class of rebellious teenagers?
recollection	82	n	,reke'leɪʃən	Erinnerung	ricordo	souvenir	something from the past that you remember	My earliest recollections are of my mother bending over my cot.
redundant	82	adj	ri'dʌndənt	arbeitslos	in esubero	licencié	if you are redundant, your employer no longer has a job for you	Seventy factory workers were made redundant in the resulting cuts.
refuge	35	n	'refju:dʒ	Zufluchtsort	rifugio	refuge	shelter or protection from someone or something	During the frequent air-raids, people took refuge in their cellars.
regeneration	38	n	ri:'dʒenə'reɪʃən	Regeneration, Erholung	rinascita	régénération	the process of making something develop and grow strong again	The Marshall Plan brought about the regeneration of the shattered Europe of 1947.
regurgitate	22	v	ri'gɜ:dʒətet	nachplappern	ripetere a pappagallo	répéter, ressortir	to repeat facts, ideas etc that you have read or heard without thinking about them yourself – used to show disapproval	She tried to get students to think critically, not just regurgitate facts.
rehabilitation	64	n	,ri:həbɪlə'teɪʃən	Rehabilitation, Rehabilitierung	riabilitazione	rééducation	helping someone to live a healthy, useful, or active life again after they have been seriously	He was sent to a special rehabilitation unit for stroke patients.
religious freedom	47	n	ri'lɪdʒəs'fri:dəm	Religionsfreiheit	libertà religiosa	liberté religieuse	freedom to have any religious beliefs	The people were given religious freedom for the first time in the country's history.
remission	154	n	ri'mɪʃən	Abklingen	remissione	rémission	a period when a serious illness improves for a time	The cancer has gone into remission.
renovate	82	v	'renəveɪt	renovieren	rinnovare	rénover	to repair a building or old furniture so that it is in good condition again	The hotel has been renovated and redecorated.
repetition	154	n	,repə'tɪʃən	Wiederholung	ripetizione	répétition	doing or saying the same thing many times	The job involved the constant repetition of the same movements.
report	44	v	ri'pɔ:t	anzeigen, berichten	denunciare, segnalare	rapporter, signaler	to tell the police or someone in authority that an accident or crime has happened	I'd like to report a crime.
resourceful	82	adj	ri'zɔ:sfəl, -'sɔ:s-	einfallsreich, erfinderisch	ingegnoso	ingénieux	good at finding ways of dealing with practical problems	She is a woman who is energetic and resourceful.
respectful	82	adj	ri'spektfəl	respektvoll	rispettoso	respectueux	feeling or showing respect	They listened in respectful silence.
responsive	154	adj	ri'spɒnsɪv	eingehend auf, reagierend auf	reattivo	réagir rapidement à	reacting quickly, in a positive way	We try to be responsive to the needs of the customer.
rest on somebody's shoulders	88	idiom	,rest ɒn ,sʌmbədɪz'ʃəʊldəz	auf jmds Schultern ruhen	gravare sulle spalle di qualcuno	reposer sur les épaules de qn	if blame or a difficult job rests on somebody's shoulders, they have to take responsibility for	The blame rests squarely on Jim's shoulders.
revealing	14	adj	ri'vi:lɪŋ	aufschlussreich, verräterisch	rivelatore	révélateur	something that is revealing shows you something interesting or surprising about a	The programme gave a revealing insight into her life.

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revere	88	v	ri'viə	verehren	ammirare	révérer	to respect and admire someone or something very much	He is revered as a national hero.
ridiculous idea	107	n	ri'dikjələs aɪ'diə	lächerlicher Gedanke, lächerliche Idee	idea ridicola	idée saugrenue	a very silly or unreasonable idea	Going to school in your pyjamas is a ridiculous idea!
rise dramatically	74	v phr	'raɪz drə'mætɪkli	dramatisch ansteigen	aumentare drasticamente	augmenter considérablement	to increase greatly and suddenly	Output has risen dramatically since last month.
risk-averse	86	adj	'rɪsk ə'vɜ:s	risikoscheu	avverso al rischio	prudent, frileux	not willing to take risks	Shareholders are more risk-averse than they used to be.
Rome wasn't built in a day	94	proverb	'rəʊm wɒzənt 'bɪlt ɪn ə 'deɪ	Rom wurde nicht an einem Tag erbaut	Roma non fu fatta in un giorno	Rome n'a pas été construite en un jour	a phrase meaning that it takes time to achieve something important, and you should not expect to succeed immediately	Take it slowly – Rome wasn't built in a day.
roomy	35	adj	'ru:mi	geräumig	spazioso	spacieux	a house, car etc that is roomy is large and has a lot of space inside it	This car is roomy enough for a large family.
rotten apple	148	idiom	'rɒtn 'æpəl	Miesepeter	grugnone	grincheux/-euse	one person who has a bad effect on all others in a group	Oliver was the rotten apple – people started arguing when he arrived.
run	157	v	rʌn	rennen	correre	courir	to move very quickly, by moving your legs more quickly than when you walk	I ran down the stairs as fast as I could.
run something by somebody	153	idiom	'rʌn sʌmθɪŋ 'baɪ sʌmbədi	etw mit jmd kurz besprechen	fare vedere qualcosa a qualcuno, fare esaminare	montrer qc à qn, soumettre qc à qn	to tell someone something so that they can give you their opinion	I just wanted to run it by you and see what you thought.
run-down	32	adj	'rʌn 'daʊn	heruntergekommen	cadente, fatiscente	décrépit	a building or area that is run-down is in very bad condition	Something needs to be done about the run-down inner city areas.
sarcasm	154	n	'sɑ:kæzəm	Sarkasmus	sarcasmo	sarcasme	a way of speaking or writing that involves saying the opposite of what you really mean in order to make an unkind joke or to show that	'Good of you to arrive on time,' George said, with heavy sarcasm.
saunter	157	v	'so:ntə	bummeln, flanieren	passaggiare, camminare senza fretta	flâner	to walk in a slow, relaxed way, especially so that you look confident or proud	He came sauntering down the road with his hands in his pockets.
scandalous	82	adj	'skændələs	skandalös	scandaloso	scandaleux	completely unfair and wrong	That's a scandalous waste of public money!
scenic	150	adj	'si:nɪk	malerisch	scenico	pittoresque	surrounded by views of beautiful countryside	This is a region of scenic beauty.
science	100	n	'saɪəns	Wissenschaft	scienza	science	knowledge about the world, especially based on examining, testing, and proving facts	Many leading scientists do not consider that science can give absolutely reliable knowledge.
scoop	62	n	sku:p	Knüller	scoop	scoop	an important or exciting news story that is printed in one newspaper or shown on one	He managed to get the scoop of the year when he broke the news.
scrap	120	n	skræp	Stück, Krümel, Fetzen	straccio, pezzo	petit bout	a small amount of information, truth etc	There isn't a single scrap of evidence.
secluded	150	adj	sɪ'klu:dəd	abgelegen, abgeschieden	isolato	isolé, perdu	very private and quiet	We sunbathed on a small secluded beach.
second thoughts	23	n pl	'sekənd 'θɔ:ts	Zweifel	ripensamento	doute, regret	doubts about a decision you have made	You're not having second thoughts, are you?
seem like a good idea at the time	107	idiom	'si:m laɪk ə 'ɡʊd aɪ'diə ət ðə 'taɪm	schien zu jenem Zeitpunkt eine gute Idee zu sein	sembrare inizialmente una buona idea	sembler une bonne idée à ce moment-là	what you decided to do seemed sensible at first, but it turned out to be a poor decision	"Why did you jump in the lake?" "Well, it seemed like a good idea at the time."

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selfish	148	adj	'selfɪʃ	egoistisch	egoista	égoïste	caring only about yourself and not about other people – used to show disapproval	How can you be so selfish?
semicolon	150	n	'semi 'kəʊlən	Semikolon	punto e virgola	point-virgule	a punctuation mark (;) used to separate different parts of a sentence or list	Many people who have spoken and written English from birth have difficulty with
semi-retired	150	adj	'semi rɪ'taɪəd	in Altersteilzeit	pensionato che continua a svolgere un'attività lavorativa	en semi-retraite	someone who is semi-retired continues to work, but not for as many hours as they used	I'm semi-retired, but I still do work when people offer it.
semi-skimmed	150	adj	'semi 'skɪmd	teilentrahmt	parzialmente scremato	demi-écrémé	semi-skimmed milk has had some of the fat removed	Can you get me a bottle of semi-skimmed milk, too, please?
senility	154	n	sə'nɪləti	Senilität	senilità	sénilité	being mentally confused or behaving strangely, because of old age	His senility is becoming more of a problem.
sensitive information	62	n	'sensətɪv ɪnfə'meɪʃən	vertrauliche Information	informazioni sensibili	informations sensibles	sensitive information needs to be dealt with very carefully, because it is secret or because it may offend people	She has access to sensitive information about national security.
serve an apprenticeship	120	n	'sɜ:v ən ə'prentəsɪp	eine Lehre machen	fare un tirocinio	faire un apprentissage	the job of being an apprentice (= someone who works for an employer for a fixed period of	He's serving an apprenticeship as a printer.
set in her ways	13	idiom	'set ɪn hə 'weɪz	in ihren Gewohnheiten festgefahren	inflexibile	inflexible, avoir ses (petites) habitudes	having particular habits	Marc was 65 and very set in his ways.
set off	81	phr v	'set 'ɒf	auslösen	azionare	déclencher	to make (an alarm) start ringing	Smoke from a cigarette will not normally set off a smoke alarm.
set off	116	phr v	'set 'ɒf	aufbrechen, sich auf den Weg machen	mettersi in viaggio, partire	partir, se mettre en route	to start to go somewhere	Jerry and I set off on foot for the beach.
set up	106	phr v	'set 'ʌp	gründen	fondare	fonder, créer	to start a company, organisation, committee	They want to set up their own import-export
set your heart on	157	idiom	'set jə 'hɑ:t ɒn	sein Herz an etwas hängen	desiderare ardentemente	tenir absolument à	to want very much to have or achieve something, or to be determined to do	Ellen has completely set her heart on buying that house.
shabby	32	adj	'ʃæbi	schäbig, abgetragen	malandato, dimesso	abîmé, miteux	shabby clothes, places, or objects are untidy and in bad condition because they have been	Hugh's old jacket was torn and shabby.
shady	35	adj	'ʃeɪdi	schattig	in ombra	ombragé	protected from the sun or producing shade	It was nice and shady under the trees.
shame	45	n	'ʃeɪm	Schande	peccato	honte	used when you wish a situation was different,	It's a shame that you have to leave so soon.
shape	28	v	'ʃeɪp	formen	influenzare	influencer	to influence something such as a belief, opinion etc and make it develop in a particular way	People's political beliefs are shaped by what they see in the papers.
share and share alike	155	proverb	'ʃeə ən 'ʃeə ə'laɪk	brüderlich teilen	dividere in parti uguali	partager	used to say that you should share things fairly and equally between everyone	Give each child three sweets – share and share alike.
shine	149	v	'ʃaɪn	glänzen	brillare	briller	to be very good at something	The concert will give young jazz musicians a chance to shine.
shoot to fame	120	idiom	'ʃu:t tə 'feɪm	plötzlich berühmt werden	avere un successo fulmineo	connaître une célébrité fulgurante	to suddenly become very famous	Brian, an air steward, shot to fame on the television show 'Big Brother'.
shopping mall	61	n	'ʃɒpɪŋ mə:l	Einkaufszentrum	centro commerciale	centre commercial	a group of shops together in one large covered building	She goes to the shopping mall with her friends at the weekend.
shun	157	v	'ʃʌn	scheuen, vermeiden	evitare, schivare	fuir, éviter	to deliberately avoid someone or something	She was a shy woman who shunned publicity.
sincere	157	adj	sɪn'sɪə	aufrichtig	sincero	sincère	a feeling, belief, or statement that is sincere is	Please accept my sincere apologies.
sit on the fence	26	idiom	'sɪt ɒn ðə 'fens	nicht Partei beziehen	rimanere neutrale	être indécis	to avoid saying which side of an argument you support	Stop sitting on the fence and tell us what you really think!

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slip back	152	phr v	ˌslɪp ˈbæk	wieder hineinrutschen	ricadere, scivolare	retomber	to gradually start being in a particular condition again or doing things in the way they	He had begun to slip back into debt.
slow down	61	phr v	ˌsləʊ ˈdaʊn	verlangsamen, einen Gang herunterschalten	rallentare	ralentir	to become slower or to make (something) slower	The ice on the road slowed us down.
smart thermostat	76	n phr	ˌsmɑ:t ˈθɜ:məstæt	smarter Thermostat	termostato intelligente	thermostat intelligent	a smart thermostat is an instrument used for keeping a room or a machine at a particular	Our new smart thermostat changes the room temperature whenever it senses changes in
smart watch	76	n	ˈsmɑ:t wɒtʃ	Smartwatch	smart watch, orologio intelligente	smartwatch	a smart watch is controlled by computers and is designed to provide information in a suitable	Have you seen the company's latest smart watch?
so	25	conj	səʊ	daher	così, perciò, quindi	alors, donc	used to say that something happens or is true as a result of the situation you have just stated	There are no buses, so you'll have to walk.
social networking website	61	n	ˌsəʊʃəl ˈnetwɜ:kɪŋ ˌweɪbsaɪt	soziales Netzwerk	sito di social networking	site de réseautage social	a website where people put information about themselves and can send messages to other	Facebook is probably the best-known social networking website.
soldier on	152	phr v	ˌsəʊldʒər ˈɒn	unermüdlich weitermachen	persistere	persévérer envers et contre tout	to continue working in spite of difficulties	We'll just have to soldier on without him.
solitary	12	adj	ˈsɒlətəri	einsam, einzelgängerisch	solitario	solitaire	spending a lot of time alone, usually because you like being alone	Pandas are solitary creatures.
someone's idea of a joke	156	phr	ˌsʌmwʌnz aɪ ˈdɪə əv ə ˈdʒɔ:k	etwas witzig finden	propria idea di scherzo	ce que qn appelle s'amuser	used when you are surprised and often rather annoyed by what someone has said or done	"She wants you to do it by tomorrow." "Is that your idea of a joke?"
sound	81	v	saʊnd	auslösen (Alarm)	far suonare	faire sonner	to warn people that something bad is happening	His bankers sounded the alarm when they discovered that money had gone missing from
source	62	n	sɔ:s	Quelle	risorsa	source	a person, book, or document that supplies you	I've heard from reliable sources that the
spacious	118	adj	ˈspeɪʃəs	geräumig	spazioso	spacieux	a spacious house, room etc is large and has plenty of space to move around in	There is a spacious living area facing out onto the pool.
speak out	61	phr v	ˌspi:k ˈaʊt	seine Meinung sagen	far sentire la propria voce	dire ce que l'on pense	to publicly speak in protest about something, especially when protesting could be dangerous	Five students who had spoken out against the regime were arrested.
speak your mind	26	idiom	ˌspi:k jə ˈmaɪnd	seine Meinung sagen	esprimere la propria opinione	dire ce que l'on pense	to tell people exactly what you think, even if it offends them	He was a tough politician who wasn't afraid to speak his mind.
speak your mind	110	v phr	ˌspi:k jə ˈmaɪnd	sagen, was man denkt	esprimere la propria opinione	dire ce que l'on pense	to tell people exactly what you think, even if it offends them	He was a tough politician who wasn't afraid to speak his mind.
speed up	61	phr v	ˌspi:d ˈʌp	beschleunigen	accelerare	accélérer	to move or happen faster, or to make (something) move or happen faster	The truck speeded up going down the hill.
spill the beans	56	idiom	ˌspɪl ðə ˈbi:nz	alles ausplaudern	vuotare il sacco	vendre la mèche	to tell something that someone else wanted you to keep a secret	I spilt the beans when I told her that he wasn't at the conference at all.
spirit	35	n	ˈspɪrɪt	Geist	spirito	esprit	a creature without a physical body that some people believe exists, such as an angel or a	Although Laurie is dead, I can feel his spirit with me.
split shift	81	n	ˈsplɪt ʃɪft	Teilschicht	orario spezzato	poste fractionné	a period of work that is divided into two or more parts on the same day, or the workers	She hates doing split shifts – they disrupt her sleep patterns.
spotlight	120	n	ˈspɒtlɑ:t	Rampenlicht	luce della ribalta	le devant de la scène	a place or position that gets a lot of attention in newspapers, on television etc	Education is once again in the spotlight.
sprawling	150	adj	ˈsprɔ:lɪŋ	ausufernd, ausladend	tentacolare	qui s'étend, tentaculaire	spreading over a wide area in an untidy or unattractive way	Mexico is a sprawling city of more than 20 million inhabitants.
spring to mind	155	v phrase	ˌsprɪŋ tə ˈmaɪnd	in den Sinn kommen	venire in mente	venir à l'esprit	if someone or something springs to mind, you immediately think of it or them	Two questions spring to mind.
squabble	157	v	ˈskwɒbəl	zanken	litigare, discutere	se chamailler, se disputer	to argue about something unimportant	They're always squabbling over money.
stand around	61	phr v	ˌstænd ə ˈraʊnd	herumstehen	trattenersi, restare in giro	rester debout à ne rien faire	to stand somewhere and not do anything	We stood around saying goodbye for a while.
stand out	61	phr v	ˌstænd ˈaʊt	auffallen, herausstechen	spiccare, distinguersi	se démarquer, ressortir	to be very easy to see or notice or to be much better than other similar people or things	That day still stands out as the greatest day in my life.

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stand up to	106	phr v	ˌstænd ˈʌp fə	jmd Paroli bieten, standhalten, gewachsen sein	difendere, lottare per	tenir tête à, résister à	to refuse to accept unfair treatment from a person or organisation	He'll respect you more if you stand up to him.
stereotype	23	n	'steriətaɪp	Stereotyp	stereotipo	stéréotype	a belief or idea of what a particular type of person or thing is like, often unfair or untrue	She is someone who doesn't fit the stereotype of the good mother.
stilts	35	n pl	stɪlts	Stelzen	palafitta	pilotis	a set of poles that support a building above the ground or above water	He lives in a house built on stilts in the heart of the jungle.
straightforward	157	adj	ˌstreɪt ˈfɔːwəd	unkompliziert	semplice	simple	simple and easy to understand	Installing the program is relatively straightforward.
strengthen	82	v	'streŋθən, 'strenθən	stärker werden	rafforzare	(se) renforcer	to become stronger or make something stronger	Our friendship has steadily strengthened over the years.
strike a chord	74	v phr	ˌstraɪk ə ˈkɔːd	einen Nerv treffen	avere risonanza	toucher la corde sensible	to say or do something that other people agree with or have sympathy with	Their story is bound to strike a chord with all parents.
strike while the iron's hot	155	proverb	ˌstraɪk waɪl ði ˌaɪənz ˈhɒt	das Eisen schmieden, solange es heiß ist	battere il ferro finché è caldo	battre le fer pendant qu'il est chaud	to do something immediately rather than waiting until a later time when you are less	Go and see her now! Strike while the iron's hot!
striking	14	adj	'straɪkɪŋ	auffällig	straordinario, singolare	frappant	attractive in an unusual way that is easy to notice	A dark man with striking features walked up to me.
striking	104	adj	'straɪkɪŋ	markant, auffällig	straordinario, singolare	frappant, saisissant	attractive in an unusual way that is easy to notice	A dark man with striking features walked up to me.
stroke of luck	157	n phr	ˌstrʊk əv ˈlʌk	Glücksfall, Glückstreffer	colpo di fortuna	coup de chance	something lucky that happens to you unexpectedly	In a stroke of luck, a suitable organ donor became available.
stroll	157	v	strɒl	schlendern, bummeln	passaggiare	se balader	to walk somewhere in a slow, relaxed way	We were strolling along, laughing and joking.
stunning	32	adj	'stʌnɪŋ	atemberaubend, überwältigend	stupendo, splendido	éblouissant	extremely attractive or beautiful	You look absolutely stunning in that dress.
stupidity	82	n	stjuːˈpɪdəti	Dummheit	stupidità	stupidité	behaviour or actions that show a lack of good sense or good judgment	Saying that showed his complete stupidity!
stylish	104	adj	'stɑɪlɪʃ	schick	elegante, alla moda	élégant, classe	attractive in a fashionable way	They went to a stylish restaurant in the West End.
substantial	157	adj	səbˈstænʃəl	beträchtlich	notevole	considérable	large in amount or number	We have the support of a substantial number of parents.
subtitle	150	n	'sʌb ˌtaɪtl	Untertitel	sottotitolo	sous-titre	the words printed over a film in a foreign language to translate what is being said by the	It's a French film with English subtitles.
subtle	104	adj	'sʌtl	subtil	sottile	subtil	not easy to notice or understand unless you pay careful attention	The pictures are similar, but there are subtle differences between them.
subway	150	n	'sʌbweɪ	Unterführung	sottopassaggio	passage souterrain	a path for people to walk under a road or railway	Take the subway – it's less dangerous than walking across the road.
sub-zero	150	adj	ˌsʌb ˈzɪərəʊ	unter dem Gefrierpunkt	sotto zero	en dessous de zéro	below zero in temperature	They lived and worked in sub-zero temperatures for months.
suffer from	81	phr v	'sʌfə frəm, frɒm	leiden an	soffrire di	souffrir de	to have (a particular disease or medical condition), especially for a long time	Craig suffers from a rare bone disease.
suggest	68	v	səˈdʒest	nahelegen	suggerire	suggérer que	to make someone think that a particular thing is true	Opinion polls suggest that only 10% of the population trust the government.

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supermodel	150	n	'su:pə,mɒdl	Supermodel	top model	top-modèle	a very famous fashion model	One of the best-known supermodels of recent times was Naomi Campbell.
supernatural	150	adj	,su:pə'nætʃərəl	übernatürlich	supernaturale	surnaturel	impossible to explain by natural causes, and therefore seeming to involve the powers of	She has supernatural powers that help her defeat her enemies.
superpower	150	n	'su:pə,pauə	Supermacht	superpotere	superpuissance	a nation that has very great military and political power	The USA and China are two of the world's superpowers.
support a theory	149	phr	sə,pɔ:t ə 'θiəri	eine Theorie unterstützen	supportare la teoria	appuyer une théorie	to make people believe an idea or set of ideas that is intended to explain something about life or the world, especially an idea that has not yet	Her findings supported Darwin's theory of evolution.
supposedly	82	adv	sə'pəʊzədli	vermutlich, vermeintlich	presumibilmente	soi-disant	used when saying what many people say or believe is true, especially when you disagree with them	How could a supposedly intelligent person be so stupid?
surname	8	n	'sɜ:neɪm	Nachname, Familienname	cognome	nom de famille	the name that you share with your parents, or often with your husband if you are a married	The actor Michael Caine's real surname is Micklewhite.
suspend	44	v	sə'spend	(eine Strafe) zur Bewährung aussetzen	sospendere	suspendre (une peine)	if a criminal's sentence is suspended, they are told they will be sent to prison if they do	The judge suspended his sentence for two years.
suspicious	82	adj	sə'spɪʃəs	misstrauisch	sospettoso	méfiant	thinking that someone might be guilty of doing something wrong or dishonest	Some of his colleagues at work became suspicious of his behaviour.
switch off	61	phr v	,swɪtʃ 'ɒf	ausschalten	spegnere	éteindre	to turn off a machine, light, radio etc using a switch	The burglar alarm was switched off.
switch off	83	phr v	,swɪtʃ 'ɒf	abschalten	staccare la spina	se décontracter, se distraire	to relax for a short time	They switch off by listening to music.
sympathy	154	n	'sɪmpəθi	Mitgefühl, Verständnis	compassione, solidarietà	compassion	the feeling of being sorry for someone who is in a bad situation	I have a lot of sympathy for her; she had to bring up the children on her own.
tactful	122	adj	'tæktfəl	taktvoll	diplomatico, discreto	discret, diplomatique	not likely to upset or embarrass other people	There was no tactful way of phrasing what he wanted to say.
take	76	n	teɪk	Ansicht	punto di vista, opinione	point de vue, avis	someone's opinion about a situation or idea	What's your take on this issue?
take away	61	phr v	,teɪk ə'weɪ	wegnehmen	portare via	enlever	to remove (someone or something), or make (something) disappear	She whisked the tray off the table and took it away.
take into consideration	50	v phr	,teɪk ɪntə kən,sɪdə'reɪʃən	in Betracht ziehen	prendere in considerazione	prendre en considération	to remember to think about (something important) when you are making a decision or	We will take your recent illness into consideration when marking your exams.
take off	74	phr v	,teɪk 'ɒf	abheben	decollare	décoller	to suddenly start being successful	Mimi became jealous when Jack's career started taking off.
take off	76	phr v	,teɪk 'ɒf	abheben	decollare	décoller	to suddenly start being successful	Mimi became jealous when Jack's career started taking off.
take risks	86	v phr	,teɪk 'rɪks	etwas riskieren	correre dei rischi	prendre des risques	to do things that might have bad results	Isn't he taking risks in coming here?
take time out	83	v phr	,teɪk taɪm 'aʊt	sich Zeit nehmen, sich eine Auszeit nehmen	fare una pausa	prendre le temps	to rest or do something different from your usual job or activities	In between jobs, Liz always took time out to return to her first love – travelling.
take you back	95	phr v	,teɪk ju 'bæk	zurückversetzen	riportare, far ricordare	ramener qn	to make you remember a time in the past	Having the grandchildren around takes me back to the days when my own children were
take your mind off	83	v phr	,teɪk jə 'maɪnd ɒf	sich ablenken, auf andere Gedanken bringen	distogliere la mente da	cesser de penser à	to stop thinking and worrying about (something), or to make someone do this	Going back to work helped take my mind off Ian's death.
talk at cross purposes	153	idiom	,tɔ:k ət ,krɒs 'pɜ:pəsɪz	aneinander vorbeireden	parlare di cose diverse	avoir un dialogue de sourds	if two people talk at cross purposes, they do not understand each other because they are	I think we're talking at cross purposes.
talk over	152	phr v	,tɔ:k 'əʊvə	etwas besprechen	discutere di	discuter de	to discuss a problem with someone before deciding what to do	Talk over any worries with your GP.

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talk shop	153	idiom	ˈtɔ:k ˈʃɒp	über Geschäftliches/die Arbeit reden	parlare di lavoro	parler boutique	to talk about things that are related to your work, especially in a way that other people find	I'm fed up with you two talking shop.
target	149	v	ˈtɑ:gət	abzielen auf	essere rivolto a	orienter vers	to make something have an effect on a particular limited group or area	The programme is targeted at improving the health of women of all ages.
temperamental	148	adj	ˌtempərəˈmentl	launisch, temperamentvoll	lunatico	caractériel, lunatique	likely to suddenly become upset, excited, or angry – used to show disapproval	Preston is particularly good at handling temperamental people.
tendency	82	n	ˈtendənsi	Neigung	tendenza	tendance	if someone or something has a tendency to do	Greg's tendency to be critical made him
text message	61	n	ˈtekst ˌmesɪdʒ	Textnachricht	SMS, messaggio di testo	message texte	a written message that is sent or received on a mobile phone	Send me a text message once you've arrived.
the days are over	68	phr	ðə ˌdeɪz ər ˈəʊvə	die Tage sind vorüber	i giorni sono finiti	le temps est révolu	the time when something could happen is in the past	The days are over when you could buy a cinema ticket for sixpence.
the early bird catches the worm	155	proverb	ði ˌɜ:lɪ ˈbɜ:d ˌkætʃəz ðə ˈwɜ:m	der frühe Vogel fängt den Wurm	il mattino ha l'oro in bocca	l'avenir appartient à ceux qui se lèvent tôt	used to say that if you do something early or before other people, you will be successful	Well, I'm getting up early tomorrow – the early bird catches the worm!
the foreseeable future	92	n phr	ðə ˈfɔ: ˌsi:əbəl ˈfju:tʃə	vorhersehbar, absehbar	il prossimo futuro	un avenir proche	as long as it is possible to know what is likely to happen	The situation is likely to continue for the foreseeable future.
the general opinion	149	phr	ðə ˌdʒenərəl ə ˈpɪnjən	die allgemeine Meinung	l'opinione generale	avis général	the opinion that most people have about something	The general opinion seems to be that the government has made a mess of the war.
the pen is mightier than the sword	155	proverb	ðə ˌpen ɪz ˌmaɪtiə ðən ðə ˈsɔ:d	Die Feder ist mächtiger als das Schwert.	ne uccide più la penna che la spada	la plume est plus forte que l'épée	used to say that writing a complaint, encouragement etc is often more effective	His eloquent letter had the desired effect and proved that the pen is mightier than the sword.
the signs are	68	phr	ðə ˌsaɪnz ˈɑ:	die Zeichen deuten darauf hin	i segnali sono	les signes indiquent	there are things that show that something is happening	The signs are that the country is likely to recover soon.
think back	61	phr v	ˌθɪŋk ˈbæk	zurückdenken	ripensare a	se souvenir	to think about things that happened in the past	Thinking back, it amazes me how we survived on so little sleep.
think over	61	phr v	ˌθɪŋk ˈəʊvə	überdenken	pensarci	(bien) réfléchir à	to consider (something) carefully before	Why don't you think it over and give me a call
think through	50	phr v	ˌθɪŋk ˈθru:	durchdenken	riflettere a fondo	bien réfléchir	to think carefully about the possible results of (something)	It's my fault. I didn't think it through.
thought-provoking	104	adj	ˈθɔ:t prəˌvʊkɪŋ	zum Nachdenken anregend	che fa riflettere	qui invite à réfléchir	making people think seriously about a particular subject	They wrote a very thought-provoking article.
tidy up	152	phr v	ˌtaɪdi ˈʌp	aufräumen, klar Schiff machen	riordinare	ranger, mettre en ordre	to make a place look neatly arranged with everything in the right place	It's time we tidied up the office.
time on your hands	98	phr	ˈtaɪm ɒn jə ˌhændz	Zeit zur Verfügung	tempo a disposizione	temps libre	if you have time on your hands, you do not	Now the children have left home, she has too
time to spare	98	phr	ˌtaɪm tə ˈspeə	Zeit übrig haben	tempo libero	avoir du temps à perdre	if you have time to spare you have time available to do something	June had little time to spare for making her own clothes.
time to yourself	98	phr	ˌtaɪm fə ˌjəˈself	Zeit für sich	tempo per se stessi	du temps pour soi	if you have time to yourself, you are free to do what you want to do	She couldn't wait till all the visitors has left so she could have time to herself.
tiredness	82	n	ˈtaɪədnes	Müdigkeit	stanchezza	fatigue	the feeling that you want to sleep or rest	He began to fall asleep from tiredness.
to no avail	81	adv phr	tʊ ˌnəʊ ə ˈveɪl	erfolglos	invano	en vain	if something you do is to no avail, you do not	We searched the whole area but all to no avail.
to remember	155	v phrase	tə rɪ ˈmembə	sich erinnern	ricordare	se souvenir de	to have a picture or idea in your mind of	I can't remember her exact words.
to say the least	153	idiom	tə ˌseɪ ðə ˈli:st	gelinde gesagt	a dir poco	c'est le moins que l'on puisse dire	used to show that something is worse or more serious than you are actually saying	His teaching methods were strange, to say the least.
to the fore	76	phr	tə ðə ˈfɔ:	in den Vordergrund	alla luce	au premier plan	to or in a position of importance or influence	Environmental issues came to the fore in the 1980s.
toll	38	n	təʊl	Maut	pedaggio	péage	the money you have to pay to use a particular	I avoid the motorways in France because I
top secret	152	adj	ˌtɒp ˈsi:kri:t	streng geheim	top secret, segretissimo	top secret	top secret documents or information must be kept completely secret	They used a top secret code to prevent the enemy from knowing what they were saying.
tough cookie	148	idiom	ˌtʌf ˈkʊki	zäher Knochen, harter Hund	tipo/-a tosto/-a, osso duro	dur à cuire	someone who is very determined to do what they want and not what other people want	Ask Alice to help, she's a tough cookie.



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toy with an idea	107	phr	ˌtɔɪ wɪð ən aɪˈdɪə	mit einer Idee spielen	accarezzare l'idea	jouer avec une idée	to think about an idea or possibility, usually for a short time and not very seriously	I've been toying with the idea of going to Japan to visit them.
trait	28	n	treɪ, treɪt	Charakterzug	tratto, caratteristica	trait	a particular quality in someone's character	His most noticeable trait was his charm.
tranquil	32	adj	ˈtræŋkwəl	ruhig	tranquillo	tranquille, paisible	pleasantly calm, quiet, and peaceful	We stayed in a small, tranquil village.
trial run	116	n	ˌtraɪəl ˈrʌn	Probelauf	test, prova	essai	an occasion when you test a new method or system to see if it works well	This year is something of a trial run for the new service.
trigger	81	v	ˈtrɪɡə	auslösen	innescare, avviare	déclencher	to make (an alarm) start ringing	A window blew open, triggering the alarm.
troublesome	154	adj	ˈtrʌbəl səm	störend, lästig	problematico, difficile	difficile, pénible	causing problems, in an annoying way	Her three-year-old son was quite troublesome.
unadulterated	157	adj	ˌʌnəˈdʌltəreɪtəd	ungetrüb	genuino	naturel, pur	complete or total, or not mixed with other less pure substances	These recipes are intended to be unadulterated bliss.
unambiguous	157	adj	ˌʌnæmˈbɪɡjuəs	unmissverständlich	inequivocabile	sans ambiguïté	a statement, instruction etc that is unambiguous is clear and easy to understand	Such communications should be clear and unambiguous.
unconventional	104	adj	ˌʌnkənˈvenʃənəl	unkonventionell	non convenzionale	non conformiste	very different from the way people usually	She had very unconventional political views.
uncover	59	v	ʌnˈkʌvə	enthüllen, entdecken	scoprire	découvrir	to find out about (something that has been kept secret)	Customs officials uncovered the truth about a plot to smuggle weapons into the country.
under oath	153	prep phr	ˌʌndər ˈəʊθ	unter Eid	sotto giuramento	sous serment	obliged by the law to tell the truth in court	The evidence was given under oath.
under the impression	153	prep phr	ˌʌndə ðɪ ɪmˈpreʃən	den Eindruck haben, dass	avere l'impressione	avoir l'impression que	believing that something is true when it is not	I'm sorry, I was under the impression that you
under the weather	153	prep phr	ˌʌndə ðə ˈweðə	unpässlich	sentirsi giù di corda, sentirsi così così	pas dans son assiette	slightly ill	You look a bit under the weather.
unhappiness	82	n	ʌnˈhæpɪnəs	Traurigkeit, Elend	tristezza	tristesse	being not happy	Leslie had a lot of unhappiness in her childhood.
uninhabited	32	adj	ˌʌnɪnˈhæbətəd	unbewohnt	disabitato	inhabité	an uninhabited place does not have anyone living there	The island was uninhabited.
uninhabited	64	adj	ˌʌnɪnˈhæbətəd	unbewohnt	disabitato	inhabité	an uninhabited place does not have anyone living there	They found an uninhabited island in the Caribbean.
universe	100	n	ˈjuːnɪvɜːs	Universum	universo	univers	all space, including all the stars and planets	The new programme studies the universe.
unspoilt	32	adj	ˌʌnˈspɔɪlt	unverdorben	incontaminato	intact	an unspoilt place is beautiful because it has not changed for a long time and does not have a lot of new buildings	The countryside in the area is completely unspoilt.
unsupervised	86	adj	ʌnˈsuːpəvaɪzɪd	unbeaufsichtigt	non controllato, senza	sans surveillance, sans	without being in the charge of, or looked after	You need to be good at working alone
unwind	83	v	ʌnˈwaɪnd	sich entspannen	rilassarsi	se détendre, se relaxer	to relax and stop feeling anxious	The country hotel was the perfect place to unwind.
verify	59	v	ˈverɪfaɪ	überprüfen	verificare	vérifier	to discover whether something is correct or true	A computer program verifies that the system is working.
video game	61	n	ˈvɪdiəʊ ˌgeɪm	Videospiel	videogioco	jeu vidéo	a computer game in which you move images on a screen using electronic controls	There are always ads for video games on the TV these days.

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visible	82	adj	'vɪzəbəl	sichtbar	visibile	visible	something that is visible can be seen	The outline of the mountains was clearly visible.
watch out for	156	phr v	'wɒtʃ 'aʊt fə	achten auf, Ausschau halten nach	stare attento a	faire attention à	to pay close attention in a particular situation because you are expecting something to happen or you want to avoid something bad	What problems should I watch out for when buying an old house?
weigh up	50	phr v	'weɪ 'ʌp	abwägen	soppesare, valutare	comparer, considérer	to consider (something) carefully so that you can make a decision about it	We're still weighing up the pros and cons of the two options.
welcome	157	v	'welkəm	willkommen heißen	accogliere	souhaiter la bienvenue, accueillir	to be glad to accept something or someone	The college welcomes applications from people of all races.
well-received	104	adj	'wel rɪ'si:vɪd	positiv aufgenommen	ben accetto	bien accueilli	happily accepted, or considered to be correct, by many people	The news was well-received by all the people in the room.
wet blanket	148	idiom	'wet 'blæŋkət	Spielverderber	guastafeste	Rabat-joie	someone who seems to want to spoil other people's fun, for example by refusing to join	Don't ask Sarah, she's such a wet blanket.
while away	154	phr v	'waɪl ə'weɪ	seine Zeit verträdeln	trascorrere, passare il tempo	passer le temps	to spend time in a pleasant and lazy way	The evenings were whiled away in endless games of cards.
whistle-blowing	62	adj	'wɪsəl 'bləʊɪŋ	verräterisch	che denuncia irregolarità	qui dénonce	telling people in authority or the public about dishonest or illegal practices	The company had paid out substantial sums to discourage whistle-blowing employees.
white-collar crime	151	n	'waɪt kɒlə 'kraɪm	Wirtschaftskriminalität	reato commesso dai colletti bianchi	criminalité en col blanc	crimes by professional people that involve ways of illegally getting money	White-collar crime costs American companies over \$100 billion a year.
whizzkid	13	n	'wɪzki:d	Wunderkind	bambino/-a prodigio	petit prodige	a young person who is very skilled or successful at something	He's a financial whizzkid in the City.
wonder	45	n	'wʌndə	Wunder	meraviglia	miracle	used to say that you are not surprised by something	It's no wonder you've got a headache, the amount you drank last night.
word of mouth	74	n phr	'wɜ:d əv 'maʊθ	Mundpropaganda, persönliche Empfehlung	passaparola	bouche à oreille	information you get by someone telling you	Word of mouth is one of the best ways of getting business.
work all hours	154	idiom	'wɜ:k kɔ:l 'aʊəz	durchgehend, pausenlos arbeiten	lavorare a tutte le ore	travailler sans arrêt	to work for a long time	He's been working all hours trying to get the business up and running.
wrongful conviction	44	n	kən'vɪkʃən	ungerechtfertigte Verurteilung, Verurteilung eines Unschuldigen	condanna ingiusta	condamnation injustifiée	a wrongful conviction is unfair or illegal because the person affected by it has done nothing wrong	Her wrongful conviction meant that she went to prison for an offence she didn't commit.
yes-man	13	n	'jes mæn	Jasager	chi dice sempre di sì, persona accondiscendente	béni-oui-oui	someone who always agrees with and obeys their employer, leader etc in order to gain	You can't expect Jim to disagree with the boss – he's a complete yes-man.