



# Word Group List

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| Category       | Sub-category       | Word          | Context Sentence  |
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| Geography      | Oceans 1           | Atlantic      | The Atlantic Ocean is wide and deep.                              |
| Geography      | Deserts 1          | Gobi          | The Gobi Desert has many sand storms.                             |
| Geography      | Deserts 1          | Kalahari      | My faithful guide took me through the Kalahari Desert.            |
| Geography      | General 1          | latitude      | Lines of longitude and latitude help us navigate.                 |
| Geography      | General 1          | longitude     | You measure longitude east or west from Greenwich.                |
| Homonyms       | List               | practise      | Every day we would practise our lines for the play.               |
| Homonyms       | List               | practice      | The doctor's practice is open tomorrow.                           |
| Homonyms       | List               | stationary    | We remained stationary until the lights turned green.             |
| Homonyms       | List               | stationery    | She used scented stationery on which to write her love letter.    |
| In the Home    | Games 1            | baccarat      | Most card players prefer a simple game of poker to baccarat.      |
| In the Home    | Games 1            | charade       | A charade is a game where a word or a phrase is mimed.            |
| In the Home    | Games 1            | chess         | I like to play a game of chess with my dad.                       |
| In the Home    | Meats 2            | mutton        | Meat from an old sheep is called mutton.                          |
| In the Home    | Meats 2            | pepperoni     | Pepperoni is a great ingredient to have on pizza.                 |
| In the Home    | Vegetables 1       | asparagus     | Asparagus shoots are a tasty salad vegetable.                     |
| In the Home    | Vegetables 1       | broccoli      | Broccoli looks a little bit like a green cauliflower.             |
| Language       | Terms 3            | predicate     | In "Kim is two", "Kim" is the noun and "is two" is the predicate. |
| Language       | Terms 3            | morpheme      | A morpheme is a word that cannot be reduced and still make sense. |
| Language       | Sentence Builders  | because       | We eat fruit because it is good for us and tastes nice.           |
| Language       | Sentence Builders  | either        | You may have either ice cream or cake, but not both.              |
| Language       | Collective Nouns 1 | anthology     | A collection of poems is called an anthology.                     |
| Language       | Collective Nouns 1 | catalogue     | In a catalogue I saw a picture of a toy I'd like to buy.          |
| Maths          | Geometry 2         | parallelogram | Opposite sides of a parallelogram are equal.                      |
| Maths          | Geometry 2         | quadrilateral | A quadrilateral is any two dimensional shape with four sides.     |
| People         | Jobs 5             | actor         | An actor may play many parts.                                     |
| People         | Jobs 5             | carpenter     | The ship's carpenter repaired the damaged hull and we sailed on.  |
| People         | Jobs 5             | electrician   | An electrician installed our new lights.                          |
| People         | Health 4           | physio        | My mum went to the physio because of her bad back.                |
| People         | Health 4           | prescription  | You must take this prescription to the chemist.                   |
| People         | Health 4           | surgeon       | The skilful surgeon operated to save the man's life.              |
| People         | Sports 2           | netball       | Netball is played by two teams of seven players.                  |
| People         | Sports 2           | handball      | Handball is a good game to play at lunchtime.                     |
| People         | Sports 2           | rugby         | Rugby was first played at a school of that name in England.       |
| People         | Sports 2           | shinty        | Shinty is a simple form of hockey from Scotland.                  |
| People         | Sports 2           | soccer        | Soccer is also known as football.                                 |
| Science        | Space 1            | asteroid      | An asteroid is hurtling through space towards earth!              |
| Science        | Space 1            | astronaut     | Every astronaut is carefully trained for space travel.            |
| Science        | Space 1            | atmosphere    | Too much pollution is ruining our atmosphere.                     |
| Science        | Space 1            | Earth         | Earth is the planet we live on.                                   |
| Science        | Space 1            | gravity       | Gravity is the force that stops you floating off the planet.      |
| Science        | Space 1            | Jupiter       | Jupiter is the largest planet in our Solar System.                |
| Science        | Water Cycle 1      | temperature   | It's snowing today and the temperature is below freezing.         |
| Science        | Water Cycle 1      | evaporation   | The heat of the sun caused the evaporation of the water hole.     |
| Science        | Water Cycle 1      | precipitation | We opened our umbrellas when a light precipitation began to fall. |
| Science        | Water Cycle 1      | condensation  | After his hot shower he had to wipe condensation off the mirror.  |
| Social Studies | Places We Know 1   | church        | Our family goes to church every Sunday.                           |
| Social Studies | Places We Know 1   | cinema        | We go to the cinema to watch new movies.                          |
| Social Studies | Places We Know 1   | supermarket   | Each Saturday we go shopping at the supermarket.                  |
| Social Studies | Places We Know 1   | hospital      | Sick people go to the hospital to get better.                     |
| Social Studies | Places We Know 1   | surgery       | I went to the dentist's surgery to have my tooth pulled.          |

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| Social Studies | Meeting Needs 1 | comfort       | The mother was able to comfort her crying baby by feeding it.     |
| Social Studies | Meeting Needs 1 | different     | Everyone is different in some way from everyone else.             |
| Social Studies | Celebrations 1  | birthday      | My birthday is the best day of the year.                          |
| Social Studies | Celebrations 1  | celebrate     | We celebrate Christmas in December each year.                     |
| Social Studies | Celebrations 1  | Christmas     | Christmas is when we remember the birth of Jesus.                 |
| Social Studies | Celebrations 1  | national      | We have a national holiday to remember the end of the war.        |
| Social Studies | Celebrations 1  | party         | All my friends and family came to my party.                       |
| Social Studies | Governments 2   | majority      | Paul won the majority of votes and became class captain.          |
| Social Studies | Governments 2   | minister      | The minister of education gave a speech at today's assembly.      |
| Social Studies | Governments 2   | opposition    | The opposition party often challenges government policies.        |
| Social Studies | Governments 2   | parliament    | A parliament is the assembly of elected representatives.          |
| Social Studies | Governments 2   | preferential  | In preferential voting the voter numbers the candidates in order. |
| Social Studies | Disasters 1     | avalanche     | The avalanche thundered down the snow-laden mountain.             |
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| Word Origins   | Arabic 1        | Arab          | Many people living in the Middle East are of Arab descent.        |
| Word Origins   | Arabic 1        | bazaar        | While visiting Cairo we purchased lots of presents at the bazaar. |
| Word Origins   | Arabic 1        | hadj          | Hadj refers to the religious journey made to Mecca by Muslims.    |
| Word Origins   | Arabic 1        | hakim         | A hakim is a traditionally trained Muslim doctor.                 |
| Word Origins   | Arabic 1        | harem         | The Caliph of Baghdad kept six wives in his harem.                |
| Word Origins   | French 1        | chamois       | He cleaned his car and then dried it with a chamois cloth.        |
| Word Origins   | French 1        | charade       | A charade is a game where a word or a phrase is mimed.            |
| Word Origins   | French 1        | chauffeur     | The chauffeur drove the bride to her wedding in a limousine.      |
| Word Origins   | French 1        | espionage     | The spy conducted espionage to gather secret information.         |
| Word Origins   | French 1        | rouge         | The actress applied a light, red rouge to hide her pale cheeks.   |
| Word Origins   | From People 2   | mesmerism     | The hypnotist used mesmerism to control the man's actions.        |
| Word Origins   | From People 2   | newton        | A newton is a measurement unit of force.                          |
| Word Origins   | From People 2   | ohm           | An ohm is a unit in the measure of electrical resistance.         |
| Word Origins   | From People 2   | sandwich      | For lunch I had a sandwich and a piece of fruit.                  |
| Word Origins   | From People 2   | siemens       | The conductivity of a substance is measured in siemens.           |
| Word Origins   | From People 2   | spoonerism    | "Let me sow you to your sheet", is an example of a spoonerism.    |
| Word Origins   | German 1        | kindergarten  | Kids in the kindergarten learned to write, paint and play.        |
| Word Origins   | German 1        | glockenspiel  | She used the two wooden hammers to play the glockenspiel.         |
| Word Origins   | German 1        | nickel        | Nickel is a metal commonly used in coins.                         |
| Word Origins   | German 1        | stein         | A large mug designed for holding beer is called a stein.          |
| Word Origins   | German 1        | blitz         | They carried out a bombing blitz on the enemy's capital city.     |
| Word Origins   | Greek 3         | sphinx        | We travelled to Egypt and saw the pyramids as well as the sphinx. |
| Word Origins   | Greek 3         | biophysics    | Biophysics applies the science of physics to living organisms.    |
| Word Origins   | Greek 3         | biotechnology | Biotechnology is where the study of life and technology meet.     |
| Word Origins   | Greek 3         | biography     | He wrote a biography about the life of a famous person.           |
| Word Origins   | Greek 3         | biology       | Biology is the study of living things.                            |
| Word Origins   | Japanese 2      | ninja         | A ninja is skilled in the Japanese martial art of ninjutsu.       |
| Word Origins   | Japanese 2      | origami       | Origami is the art of folding paper into complex shapes.          |
| Word Origins   | Japanese 2      | sensei        | The sensei is my karate teacher.                                  |
| Word Origins   | Japanese 2      | soy           | I like soy sauce on my rice.                                      |
| Word Origins   | Japanese 2      | sukiyaki      | Sukiyaki is a Japanese dish of fried meat and vegetables.         |
| Word Origins   | Latin 1         | abduct        | Kidnappers abduct people and hold them for ransom.                |
| Word Origins   | Latin 1         | annul         | We must annul and cancel the contract because we can't agree.     |
| Word Origins   | Latin 1         | antecedent    | The creation of the wheel was antecedent to that of the car.      |
| Word Origins   | Latin 1         | bonus         | The teacher gave us bonus marks for our really good project.      |
| Word Origins   | Latin 1         | domestic      | Washing, cleaning and cooking are all domestic tasks.             |