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Vocabulary List

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supplier n. /səˈplaɪə/

a company that provides goods or services to another company

Family: supply (v./n.) **Use it with:** main supplier · reliable supplier

We changed **suppliers** after three late deliveries.
三次交货迟到后，我们更换了**供应商**。

supply chain phrase /səˈplaɪ tʃeɪn/

all the steps and companies involved in making a product and delivering it

Use it with: global supply chain

A fire at one factory stopped the whole **supply chain**.
一家工厂发生火灾，导致整个**供应链**中断。

logistics n. /ləˈdʒɪstɪks/

the planning and organisation of moving goods from place to place

Family: logistical (adj.) **Use it with:** logistics company

Our **logistics** team plans all deliveries to Europe.
我们的**物流**团队负责安排所有发往欧洲的货物。

warehouse n. /ˈweəhaʊs/

a large building where goods are stored

Use it with: warehouse manager · in the warehouse

The goods stay in the **warehouse** until a customer orders them.
货物存放在**仓库**里，直到有客户下订单。

stock n. /stɒk/

goods that a shop or company has available to sell

Family: stock (v.) **Use it with:** in stock · out of stock · stock level

That model is out of **stock** until June.
那款型号要到六月才有**库存**。

inventory n. /ˈɪnvəntri/

a list of all the goods a company has, or the goods themselves

Use it with: keep an inventory · inventory control

We check the **inventory** at the end of every month.
我们每个月底都会检查**库存**。

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shipment n. /ˈʃɪpmənt/

a load of goods sent together

Family: ship (v.) **Use it with:** a shipment of · delay a shipment **Tip:** Ship means send goods by any transport, not only by sea.

The next **shipment** arrives on Tuesday.
下一**批货**星期二到达。

consignment n. /kənˈsaɪnmənt/

a quantity of goods sent to a person or place

Use it with: a consignment of

The **consignment** of shoes was damaged on the way.
这**批**鞋在运输途中受损了。

delivery n. /dɪˈlɪvəri/

the act of taking goods to the person who ordered them

Family: deliver (v.) **Use it with:** delivery date · free delivery · late delivery

Delivery usually takes three working days.
送货通常需要三个工作日。

dispatch v. /dɪˈspætʃ/

to send goods to a customer

Family: despatch (BrE alternative) **Use it with:** dispatch an order · dispatch date

Your order was **dispatched** this morning.
您的订单今天上午已**发出**。

freight n. /freɪt/

goods carried by ship, plane, train or lorry

Use it with: air freight · freight charges

Freight costs have doubled since last year.
自去年以来，**货运**费用翻了一番。

container n. /kənˈteɪnə/

a very large metal box used to carry goods on ships and lorries

Use it with: shipping container · container ship

The **container** is still at the port in Rotterdam.
集装箱还在鹿特丹港。

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lead time phrase /liːd taɪm/

the time between ordering something and receiving it

Use it with: short lead time · reduce lead times

The **lead time** for new machines is twelve weeks.
新机器从订购到交货的**周期**是十二周。

just-in-time adj. /dʒʌst ɪn taɪm/

describes a system in which materials arrive only when they are needed

Family: JIT (abbr.) **Use it with:** just-in-time production

Just-in-time delivery means we keep very little stock.
准时制配送意味着我们只保留很少的库存。

track v. /træk/

to follow the progress of a delivery

Family: tracking (n.) **Use it with:** track an order · tracking number

You can **track** your parcel online.
你可以在线**追踪**包裹。

in transit phrase /ɪn ˈtrænsɪt/

being carried from one place to another

The goods were damaged **in transit**.
货物在**运输途中**受损。

courier n. /ˈkɜːrɪə/

a company or person that delivers documents and parcels quickly

Use it with: courier service · send by courier

A **courier** will collect the samples this afternoon.
今天下午会有**快递员**来取样品。

haulage n. /ˈhɔːlɪdʒ/

the business of carrying goods by road

Family: haulier (n.) **Use it with:** haulage firm · road haulage

The **haulage** company has 80 lorries.
这家**公路货运**公司有 80 辆卡车。

procurement n. /prəˈkjʊəmənt/

the process of buying goods and services for an organisation

Family: procure (v.) **Use it with:** procurement department

Procurement must approve every order over 50,000 yuan.
采购部门必须批准每一笔超过 50,000 元的订单。

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bulk n. /bʌlk/

a large quantity

Family: bulky (adj.) **Use it with:** buy in bulk · bulk order

Buying in **bulk** lowers the price per unit.
大批量购买可以降低每件商品的价格。

unit n. /ˈjuːnɪt/

a single item of a product

Use it with: per unit · unit cost

The price is 12 yuan per **unit**.
价格是每**件** 12 元。

shortage n. /ˈʃɔːtɪdʒ/

a situation in which there is not enough of something

Family: short (adj.) **Use it with:** a shortage of · supply shortage

A **shortage** of chips delayed car production.
芯片**短缺**延误了汽车生产。

backlog n. /ˈbæklɒg/

work or orders that should have been done but are waiting

Use it with: clear a backlog

After the holiday, we had a **backlog** of 400 orders.
假期过后，我们**积压**了 400 个订单。

reliable adj. /rɪˈlaɪəbl/

able to be trusted to do what is expected

Family: reliability (n.) **Use it with:** reliable supplier · reliable service

We need a **reliable** courier for urgent parcels.
我们需要一家**可靠的**快递公司来运送紧急包裹。

on schedule phrase /ɒn ˈʃedjuːl/

happening at the planned time

Family: schedule (n./v.) **Use it with:** behind schedule · ahead of schedule

The project is **on schedule** and on budget.
项目正**按计划**进行，费用也没有超出预算。

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fleet n. /fli:t/ a group of vehicles owned by one company **Use it with:** a fleet of vehicles · company fleet The firm is replacing its **fleet** of vans with electric ones. 这家公司正在把旗下的厢式货车**车队**换成电动车。	
distribution centre phrase /ˌdɪstrɪ'bju:ʃn 'sentə/ a large building from which goods are sent to shops or customers **Family:** distribution center (AmE) The new **distribution centre** serves all of eastern China. 新的**配送中心**为整个中国东部地区提供服务。	

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