

Vocabulary & Text Types

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What we will cover

- 1 Learn words well
- 2 Natural phrases
- 3 The text types
- 4 Match style to type



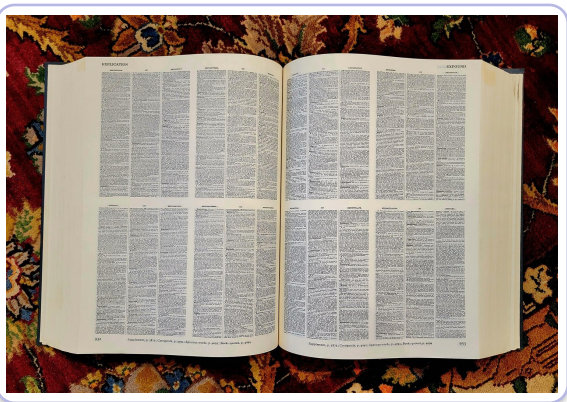
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Vocabulary

Learn words well

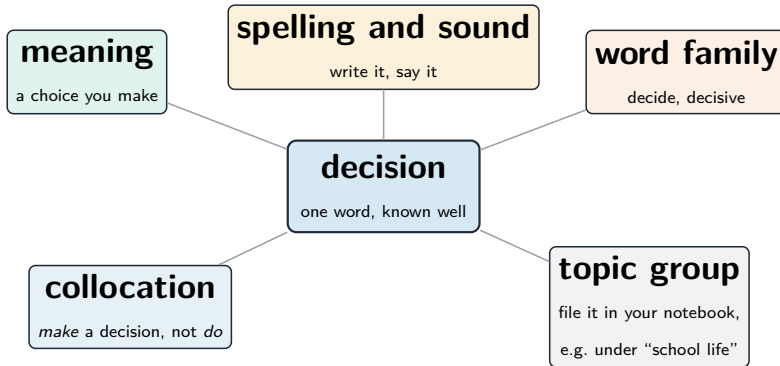
- meaning, spelling, sound – three ways
- keep a **vocabulary** 词汇 notebook by topic

Notice useful words in every text type and practise them in your own writing.



Grow vocabulary by reading and collecting words

Learn words well



Natural phrases

collocations 词语搭配

make a decision;
heavy rain

**set
phrases** 固定短语

common fixed
expressions

**phrasal
verbs** 短语动词

give up; look after

Using natural phrases makes your English sound **fluent** 流利.

The text types

email – one person

article –
many readers

report – facts
for a boss

review – an opinion

essay – argue a view

notice – short info

The text types



Match style to type

purpose 目的

reader

tone

Each **text type** 文本类型 has its own purpose, reader & tone. Before writing, ask: **what type** is this, and what style does it need?

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Recap

Worked example – identifying a text type

A text has a headline, a byline, short paragraphs, quotations from witnesses, and no “I”. What is it?

- Headline + byline ⇒ it was **published**, so not a letter or an email.
- **Quotations from witnesses** ⇒ it reports what happened to **other people**.
- No “I” and no opinion ⇒ **impersonal**, so not an article or a review.
- ⇒ **a news report**.

Identify the type from its **features**, then match your writing to them. Report = facts, impersonal. Article = opinion, a voice. Review = judgement + recommendation.

Topic 11 – key takeaways

1

Learn words

meaning, spelling & sound; a notebook

2

Phrases

collocations, set phrases, phrasal verbs

3

Text types

email, article, report, review, essay...

4

Style

match purpose, reader & tone to the type

Check yourself

- 1 What three things make a collocation?
(give an example)
- 2 Which text type argues a point of view?
- 3 Which text type gives facts to a person
in charge?
- 4 What three things must match the text
type?



Answers 1. words that go together (heavy rain) 2. an essay 3. a report 4. purpose, reader & tone