

Vocabulary & Text Types

IGCSE English • Topic 11

IGCSE English



Vocabulary & Text Types

What we will cover

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



1 Vocabulary

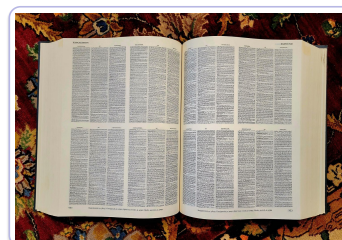
Vocabulary & Text Types

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

Vocabulary & Text Types

Vocabulary

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.

Vocabulary & Text Types

Vocabulary

The text types

email – one person

article – many readers

report – facts for a boss

review – an opinion

essay – argue a view

notice – short info

Vocabulary & Text Types
└ Vocabulary

The text types

email to a friend
informal

article - review

report - formal letter
essay

Short forms, chatty, warm and friendly

Early text date, calls for "you"

Full forms, polite, no slang

Every text type sits somewhere on the line from informal to formal

Each writing task is a **text type** 文本类型 with its own rules.

Vocabulary & Text Types
└ Vocabulary

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?

2

Recap

Vocabulary & Text Types
└ 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.

Vocabulary & Text Types
└ Recap

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

Vocabulary & Text Types
└ Recap

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?

A

文

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