Word Quest 1

List 16 · Talking and language

Vocabulary and example	Write it

advice n. /əd'vaɪs/

an opinion about what someone should do

Use it with: give advice · take advice · a piece of advice **Tip:** Uncountable noun: "some advice", not "an advice". The verb is "advise".

My sister gave me good **advice**: start revising early.

advise v. /əd'vaɪz/

to tell someone what you think they should do

Family: advises · advised · adviser (n.) **Use it with:** advise someone to do something **Tip:** Verb with "s" (sounds like z); noun "advice" with "c".

The doctor **advised** me to drink more water.

agree v. /ə'gri:/

to have the same opinion as someone

Family: agrees · agreed · agreement (n.) **Use it with:** agree with someone · agree to do · agree on **Tip:** Say "I agree", not "I am agree".

I **agree** with you: this film is boring.

ask v. /æsk/

to say a question to someone

Family: asks · asked **Use it with:** ask a question · ask for help · ask someone to do something **Tip:** Ask for something you want: ask for water.

Can I **ask** you a question?

chat v./n. /tʃæt/

to talk in a friendly, relaxed way

Family: chats · chatted **Use it with:** chat with · have a chat · online chat

We **chatted** on the phone for two hours.

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contact v./n. /ˈkɒntækt/

to speak or write to someone

Family: contacts · contacted **Use it with:** contact someone · keep in contact · contact details **Tip:** No “to” or “with” after the verb: “contact me”, not “contact to me”.

Please **contact** me if you need help with the project.

describe v. /dɪˈskraɪb/

to say what someone or something is like

Family: describes · described · description (n.) **Use it with:** describe something to someone **Tip:** No “about”: “describe the place”, not “describe about the place”.

Can you **describe** the man who took your bag?

description n. /dɪˈskrɪpʃn/

words that tell what someone or something is like

Family: descriptions · describe (v.) **Use it with:** a description of · give a description **Tip:** Spelling: des-CRIP-tion, with “p”.

Write a short **description** of your best friend.

detail n. /ˈdiːteɪl/

a small fact or piece of information

Family: details · detailed (adj.) **Use it with:** in detail · more details · attention to detail

Tell me every **detail**! What did she say?

discuss v. /dɪˈskʌs/

to talk about something with other people

Family: discusses · discussed · discussion (n.) **Use it with:** discuss a problem · discuss with someone **Tip:** No “about”: “discuss the plan”, not “discuss about the plan”.

Let’s **discuss** our project after class.

language n. /ˈlæŋgwɪdʒ/

the words and system people use to speak and write

Family: languages **Use it with:** a foreign language · first language · body language

How many **languages** can you speak?

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lie v./n. /laɪ/

to say something you know is not true

Family: lies · lied · lying · liar (n.) **Use it with:** tell a lie · lie to someone **Tip:** This "lie" has past form "lied". "Lie down" (rest) has past form "lay".

He **lied** about his homework: the dog didn't eat it.

mail n./v. /meɪl/

letters and parcels sent by post; also, messages sent by computer

Family: mails · mailed **Use it with:** send mail · check your mail · by mail

Did any **mail** come for me today?

message n. /'mesɪdʒ/

a piece of written or spoken information sent to someone

Family: messages **Use it with:** send a message · leave a message · a text message

I sent my mum a **message**: "I'm at Lily's house."

nope adv. /nəʊp/

an informal way to say "no"

Use it with: nope, never **Tip:** Only for friends and family; not in essays or exams.

"Did you finish your homework?" "**Nope**, not yet."

refuse v. /rɪ'fjuːz/

to say you will not do or accept something

Family: refuses · refused · refusal (n.) **Use it with:** refuse to do · refuse an offer

My little brother **refused** to eat his vegetables.

secret n./adj. /'siːkrɪt/

something that only a few people know

Family: secrets · secretly (adv.) **Use it with:** keep a secret · tell a secret · in secret

Can you keep a **secret**?

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Vocabulary and example	Write it

shout v. /ʃaʊt/

to say something very loudly

Family: shouts · shouted **Use it with:** shout at someone · shout for help **Tip:** Shout at someone often means angrily; "shout to" means so they can hear.

Don't **shout**! I'm right next to you.

sign n./v. /saɪn/

a board with words or pictures, or a gesture that tells you something

Family: signs · signed **Use it with:** a road sign · a sign of · sign your name **Tip:** As a verb, "sign" means write your name.

The **sign** said "No swimming", but some boys jumped in anyway.

speech n. /spiːtʃ/

a talk that someone gives to a group of people

Family: speeches · speak (v.) **Use it with:** give a speech · make a speech

The head teacher's **speech** lasted forty minutes.

symbol n. /ˈsɪmbl/

a picture or shape that means something

Family: symbols **Use it with:** a symbol of · a chemical symbol

The heart is a **symbol** of love.

talk v./n. /tɔːk/

to say things to someone; to have a conversation

Family: talks · talked **Use it with:** talk to someone · talk about · have a talk

We **talked** about our holiday plans.

text n./v. /tekst/

written words; also, a message sent on a phone

Family: texts · texted **Use it with:** send a text · read the text

Text me when you get home, OK?

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