Word Quest 1

List 21 · Describing things 2

Vocabulary and example	Write it

edge n. /edʒ/

the outside end or side of something

Family: edges **Use it with:** on the edge of · the edge of the table

Don't stand so close to the **edge** of the cliff!

effect n. /ɪˈfekt/

a change that happens because of something else

Family: effects · effective (adj.) **Use it with:** have an effect on · side effect · special effects **Tip:** Noun "effect"; verb "affect": Coffee affects me.

Coffee has a strong **effect** on me: I can't sleep.

empty adj. /ˈempti/

with nothing inside

Family: emptier · emptied (v.) **Use it with:** an empty box · empty the bin

The fridge is **empty**. Who ate everything?

excellent adj. /ˈeksələnt/

extremely good

Family: excellently (adv.) · excellence (n.) **Use it with:** excellent work · an excellent idea

Your essay is **excellent**: well done!

false adj. /ˌef eɪ el es ˈiː/

not true or not real

Family: falsely (adv.) **Use it with:** true or false · false teeth

Is this sentence true or **false**?

flat adj./n. /flæt/

smooth, with no high or low parts; also, an apartment

Family: flatter · flats **Use it with:** a flat tyre · flat ground **Tip:** In British English a "flat" is an apartment.

The Netherlands is a very **flat** country with no mountains.

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great adj. /greɪt/

very good; also, very big

Family: greater · greatest **Use it with:** a great idea · a great deal · great!

We had a **great** time at the water park.

green adj./n. /griːn/

the colour of grass and leaves

Family: greener · greenest **Use it with:** dark green · go green **Tip:** Go green means live in a way that is good for nature.

The traffic light turned **green**, so we crossed.

hole n. /həʊl/

an empty space in something

Family: holes **Use it with:** dig a hole · a hole in

There's a **hole** in my sock: I can see my toe.

huge adj. /hjuːdʒ/

extremely big

Family: hugely (adv.) **Use it with:** a huge mistake · a huge crowd

A **huge** dog ran towards me, and I froze.

inside prep./adv. /ɪnˈsaɪd/

in or into a room, building or container

Use it with: inside the box · go inside · inside out **Tip:** Inside out means with the inner side showing.

It's raining. Let's play **inside**.

item n. /ˈaɪtəm/

one thing in a list or group

Family: items **Use it with:** an item on the list · news item

I bought every **item** on the shopping list.

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keep v. /kiːp/

to have something and not give it back; also, to stay a certain way

Family: keeps · kept **Use it with:** keep calm · keep doing · keep in touch **Tip:** Past form: kept. "Keep + -ing" means continue: keep trying.

Can I **keep** this pen? I lost mine.

large adj. /lɑːdʒ/

big

Family: larger · largest **Use it with:** a large number · a large amount

Can I have a **large** cola, please?

loud adj. /laʊd/

making a lot of noise

Family: louder · loudly (adv.) **Use it with:** a loud noise · out loud **Tip:** Read out loud means read so people can hear.

The music at the party was too **loud**.

match n./v. /mætʃ/

a game between two teams; also, a small stick that makes fire

Family: matches · matched **Use it with:** a football match · light a match · match with **Tip:** As a verb, "match" means go well together: Your socks don't match.

Our class won the basketball **match** 40–38.

40–38

middle n. /ˈmɪdl/

the centre; the part between the start and the end

Use it with: in the middle of · middle school

I sat in the **middle** of the back row.

modern adj. /ˈmɒdn/

new; of the present time

Use it with: modern art · modern technology

Our school has a very **modern** library with computers everywhere.

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noise n. /nɔɪz/

a sound, often loud or unpleasant

Family: noises · noisy (adj.) **Use it with:** make a noise · a loud noise

What's that strange **noise** in the kitchen?

normal adj. /ˈnɔːml/

usual and ordinary

Family: normally (adv.) **Use it with:** back to normal · a normal day

It's **normal** to feel nervous before an exam.

perfect adj. /ˈpɜːfekt/

with nothing wrong; as good as possible

Family: perfectly (adv.) · perfection (n.) **Use it with:** a perfect day · perfect for **Tip:** Not "very perfect": it already means the best.

Your English pronunciation is **perfect**!