Word Quest 2

List 28 · Useful linking words

Vocabulary and example	Write it

actually adv. /ˈæktʃuːəli/

in fact; really (often used to correct or surprise)

Family: actual (adj.) **Use it with:** well, actually **Tip:** Not the same as Chinese “ ” (now): “actually” means “in fact”.

I thought he was twenty, but he’s **actually** fifteen.

although conj. /ɔːlˈðəʊ/

even though; despite the fact that

Tip: Don’t use “but” in the same sentence: “Although…, …”

Although it was raining, we went for a walk.

case n. /keɪs/

a situation; also, a container

Family: cases **Use it with:** in case · in that case · in any case · a pencil case **Tip:** In case means because something might happen: Take an umbrella in case it rains.

In that **case**, let’s take a taxi.

however adv. /haʊˈevə/

but; despite this

Tip: Usually starts a new sentence and has a comma after it.

The test was hard. **However**, everyone passed.

instead adv. /ɪnˈsted/

in the place of something else

Use it with: instead of

We didn’t have rice, so we ate noodles **instead**.

link n./v. /lɪŋk/

a connection between two things; also, a web address you click

Family: links · linked **Use it with:** a link between · send a link

Click the **link** to watch the video.

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lose v. /luːz/

to not have something any more; also, to not win

Family: loses · lost · loss (n.) **Use it with:** lose a game · lose weight · lose your way **Tip:** One “o”: “lose”. Two “o”s: “loose” (not tight).

I always **lose** my keys.

loss n. /lɒs/

when you lose something or someone

Family: losses · lose (v.) **Use it with:** a loss of · weight loss

The team was sad after the **loss**.

nowhere adv. /ˈnəʊweə/

not in any place

Use it with: nowhere to go · nowhere near

My phone is **nowhere** to be found.

perhaps adv. /pəˈhæps/

maybe

Tip: A little more formal than “maybe”.

Perhaps it will snow tomorrow.

quit v. /kwɪt/

to stop doing something; or to leave a job

Family: quits · quit **Use it with:** quit a job · quit doing

My uncle **quit** smoking last year.

skip v. /skɪp/

to not do or not go to something; also, to jump lightly

Family: skips · skipped **Use it with:** skip a class · skip a meal · skipping rope

Don’t **skip** breakfast: you’ll be hungry in class.

Vocabulary and example	Write it

though adv./conj. /ðəʊ/

however; even if

Use it with: even though · as though **Tip:** At the end of a sentence, “though” means “however”.

The film was long. It was good, **though**.

unless conj. /ʌn'les/

if not; except if

Tip: Unless already contains “not”: “unless it rains”, not “unless it doesn’t rain”.

You can’t go **unless** you finish your homework.

unlike prep. /ʌn'laɪk/

different from

Tip: Opposite of “like” when it means “similar to”.

Unlike his brother, Tom loves vegetables.

whether conj. /'weðə/

used to talk about two choices: if

Use it with: whether or not **Tip:** Sounds like “weather”.

I don’t know **whether** to laugh or cry.

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