Word Quest 3

List 26 · Life and people

Vocabulary and example	Write it

anniversary n. /ˌænɪˈvɜːsəri/

the day exactly one or more years after an important event

Family: anniversaries **Use it with:** a wedding anniversary

Today is my parents' twentieth wedding **anniversary**.

arise v. /əˈraɪz/

to begin or appear, especially a problem

Family: arises · arose · arisen **Use it with:** a problem arises

Call me if any problems **arise**.

background n. /ˈbækgraʊnd/

a person's family, education and experience; also, the area behind the main thing

Family: backgrounds **Use it with:** in the background · family background

She comes from a farming **background**.

birthplace n. /ˈbɜːθpleɪs/

the place where someone was born

Family: birthplaces

Shaoshan is the **birthplace** of Mao Zedong.

celebrity n. /səˈlebrɪti/

a famous person

Family: celebrities **Use it with:** a TV celebrity

A **celebrity** came to open the new mall.

ceremony n. /ˈserɪməni/

a formal event for a special occasion

Family: ceremonies **Use it with:** an opening ceremony · a prize ceremony

The wedding **ceremony** was beautiful.

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chief n./adj. /tʃiːf/

the leader of a group; or most important

Family: chiefs **Use it with:** chief of police · the chief reason

The fire **chief** praised his team.

environment n. /enˈvaɪrənmənt/

the natural world; also, the conditions around you

Family: environments · environmental (adj.) **Use it with:** the natural environment · a working environment

We must protect the **environment**.

fame n. /feɪm/

being known by many people

Family: famous (adj.) **Use it with:** rise to fame

She found **fame** after one funny video.

fireworks n. /ˈfaɪəwɜːks/

small explosives that make colourful lights in the sky

Family: firework (sing.) **Use it with:** set off fireworks · a fireworks show

We watched the **fireworks** at New Year.

funeral n. /ˈfjuːnərəl/

a ceremony for a person who has died

Family: funerals **Use it with:** attend a funeral

Many people came to his grandfather's **funeral**.

generation n. /ˌdʒenəˈreɪʃn/

all the people born at about the same time

Family: generations **Use it with:** the younger generation

Three **generations** live in our flat: my grandparents, my parents and me.

Vocabulary and example	Write it

gentleman n. /ˈdʒentəlmən/

a polite man; also, a polite word for any man

Family: gentlemen **Use it with:** ladies and gentlemen

He's a real **gentleman**: he always holds the door open.

groom n. /gruːm/

a man on his wedding day

Family: grooms · bridegroom **Use it with:** the bride and groom

The **groom** looked nervous before the wedding.

individual n./adj. /ˌɪndɪˈvɪdʒuːəl/

one person, separate from a group

Family: individuals · individually (adv.)

Every **individual** in the class is different.

mark n./v. /mɑːk/

a sign or spot; also, a score for school work; or to show or celebrate

Family: marks · marked **Use it with:** full marks · mark an occasion

There's a dirty **mark** on your shirt.

participate v. /pɑːˈtɪsɪpeɪt/

to take part in something

Family: participates · participated · participation (n.) **Use it with:** participate in

Everyone **participated** in the school sports day.

postpone v. /pəʊstˈpəʊn/

to change an event to a later time

Family: postpones · postponed **Use it with:** postpone until

The match was **postponed** because of the rain.

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