

# Life

UPPER-INTERMEDIATE

Wordlist

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# WORDLIST

## Word class abbreviations

The following abbreviations are used in the word list: (n) = noun, (v) = verb, (adv) = adverb, (adj) = adjective and (phr v) = phrasal verb.

## UNIT 1 RELATIONSHIPS

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context (n)  
marketing (n)  
mate (n)  
occasionally (adv)  
odd (adj)

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acquaintance (n)  
attribute (n)  
bond (n)  
characteristic (n)  
companion (n)  
compound (n)  
curiosity (n)  
fair-weather friend (n)  
fellow (adj)  
founder (n)  
fulfil (v)  
girlfriend (n)  
hug (v)  
hunt (v)  
striking (adj)  
viewer (n)  
workmate (n)  
wrestle (v)

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admire (v)  
aspiration (n)  
burden (n)  
concept (n)  
confuse (v)  
critical (adj)  
debate (n)  
duty (n)  
ideology (n)  
measurement (n)  
rebellious (adj)  
representative (adj)  
selfish (adj)  
slang (n)  
spoil (v)  
supplant (v)  
supportive (adj)

surpass (v)  
unavoidable (adj)

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announcement (n)  
dedication (n)  
desire (n)  
ethnic (adj)  
free spirit (n)  
forgetful (adj)  
intrigue (v)  
melting pot (n)  
pride (n)  
profession (n)  
railroad (n)  
reunion (n)  
settle (v)

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fancy (v)  
regard (n)  
rude (adj)  
rush (n)  
tanned (adj)

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contend with (v)  
democracy (n)  
discrimination (n)  
hardship (n)  
harsh (adj)  
homeland (n)  
leap (n)  
partition (v)  
tenement (n)  
typically (adv)  
wave (n)  
welcoming (adj)

## UNIT 2 STORYTELLING

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anecdote (n)  
archive (n)  
biased (adj)  
biography (n)  
essentially (adv)

focus (v)  
gripping (adj)  
impartial (adj)  
manipulate (v)  
narrator (n)  
objective (adj)  
rivalry (n)  
sentimental (adj)  
superior (adj)  
sympathetic (adj)  
unfair (adj)

### PAGES 22–23

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adaptation (n)  
alienate (v)  
author (n)  
best-seller (n)  
blockbuster (n)  
box office (n)  
budget (n)  
cast (n)  
chapter (n)  
compensate (v)  
faithful (adj)  
flop (n)  
flow (v)  
ingredient (n)  
loyal (adj)  
portrayal (n)  
producer (n)  
publisher (n)  
reader (n)  
scene (n)  
scenery (n)  
screenwriter (n)  
script (n)  
setting (n)  
spectacular (adj)  
spirit (n)  
storyline (n)  
substantial (adj)  
theme (n)  
trilogy (n)

### PAGES 24–25

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bonnet (n)  
bullet (n)  
crack (v)  
crash (v)  
distract (v)  
encounter (n)  
frequently (adv)  
frightening (adj)  
gouge (v)  
guard (n)  
hurriedly (adv)

incident (n)  
instinct (n)  
kick (v)  
leap (v)  
rifle (n)  
shave (n)  
skid (v)  
slam (v)  
sprint (v)  
stretch (v)  
tarmac (n)  
uninterested (adj)  
veer (v)

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coarseness (n)  
collection (n)  
core (n)  
devote (v)  
edition (n)  
emphasise (v)  
folklore (n)  
footnote (n)  
gender (n)  
magic (n)  
medieval (adj)  
nanny (n)  
obey (v)  
occupy (v)  
oral (adj)  
patriotic (adj)  
peasant (n)  
polish (v)  
popularity (n)  
punishment (n)  
reshape (v)  
royalty (n)  
scholarly (adj)  
strive (v)  
suppress (v)  
tale (n)  
thrive (v)  
universal (adj)  
villain (n)  
wise (adj)

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bend (v)  
burst (v)  
cry (v)  
handle (n)  
moan (v)  
occupant (n)  
panic-stricken (adj)  
reboot (v)  
snap (v)

storey (n)  
stranded (adj)  
tear (v)  
temporary (adj)  
trudge (v)

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agility (n)  
arcade (n)  
aristocracy (n)  
cabinet (n)  
captivate (n)  
entrancing (adj)  
envision (v)  
flickering (adj)  
illusion (n)  
imagination (n)  
inauguration (n)  
inconceivable (adj)  
landmark (n)  
loop (n)  
melodrama (n)  
nickelodeon (n)  
peep (v)  
projection (n)  
spectacle (n)  
tinseltown (n)  
tremendous (adj)  
unravel (v)  
vaudeville (n)

## UNIT 3 SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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commercial (adj)

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adjust (v)  
biofuel (n)  
bomb (n)  
boost (v)  
colony (n)  
committee (n)  
consume (v)  
density (n)  
disappointed (adj)  
dud (n)  
economist (n)  
expectancy (n)  
famine (n)  
fee (n)  
hopeful (adj)  
lazy (adj)  
mankind (n)  
nanotechnology (n)  
optimism (n)

overpopulation (n)  
sincere (adj)  
specific (adj)  
starve (v)  
wartime (n)

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absorb (v)  
ATM (n)  
augment (v)  
enormously (adv)  
etch (v)  
float (v)  
generate (v)  
inconspicuous (adj)  
interface (n)  
marine (n)  
overload (v)  
project (v)  
reality (n)  
sophisticated (adj)  
superimpose (v)  
transcript (n)  
unfamiliar (adj)  
user-friendly (adj)  
virtual (adj)  
wraparound (adj)

### PAGES 38–39

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capability (n)  
deploy (v)  
emission (n)  
empower (v)  
fleet (n)  
harness (v)  
industrialised (adj)  
intermediate (adj)  
means (n)  
philosophy (n)  
purifier (n)  
relatively (adv)  
reliant (adj)  
shell (v)  
straw (n)  
value (v)  
ventilation (n)

### PAGES 40–41

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direction (n)  
paste (v)  
possibility (n)  
trouble (n)

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asylum (n)  
blueprints (n)

cockpit (n)  
determine (v)  
firefighter (n)  
handheld (adj)  
imagery (n)  
laborious (adj)  
motivation (n)  
obscure (v)  
oriented (adj)  
overlay (v)  
pedestrian (adj)  
prototype (n)  
tracking (n)  
windscreen (n)

## UNIT 4 ART AND CREATIVITY

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acrobat (n)  
circus (n)  
impose (v)  
poetry (n)  
private (adj)  
shy (adj)

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accessible (adj)  
appreciate (v)  
artistic (adj)  
buzz (n)  
carnival (n)  
cosmopolitan (adj)  
difference (n)  
fringe (n)  
inhabitant (n)  
minority (n)  
muddy (adj)  
participate (v)  
venue (n)

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campaign (n)  
commission (v)  
consideration (n)  
dirt (n)  
drastic (adj)  
fire (v)  
fixed (adj)  
graffiti (n)  
hose (n)  
involve (v)  
merely (adv)  
motorist (n)  
pleasing (adj)  
political (adj)

portrait (n)  
reverse (v)  
scrape (v)  
statement (n)  
suspicious (adj)  
uncomfortable (adj)  
various (adj)

### PAGES 50–51

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alleyway (n)  
bankrupt (n)  
booming (adj)  
brag (v)  
chant (v)  
conscious (adj)  
defiant (adj)  
deny (v)  
disc jockey (n)  
distribution (n)  
embrace (v)  
explode (v)  
expose (v)  
globe (n)  
injustice (n)  
looped (adj)  
macho (adj)  
out-chat (v)  
outrage (n)  
pavement (n)  
permeate (v)  
pose (v)  
scratch (v)  
suburban (adj)  
suffering (n)  
turntable (n)  
version (n)

### PAGES 52–53

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bear (v)  
comic (n)  
complement (v)  
congregate (v)  
convex (adj)  
curve (n)  
delightful (adj)  
exception (n)  
generally (adv)  
moving (adj)  
nerve (n)  
particularly (adv)  
plains (n)  
recommend (v)  
spellbound (adj)  
tint (n)  
visually (adv)

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caution (v)  
collector (n)  
dimension (n)  
distinctive (adj)  
exposure (n)  
highlight (v)  
innovative (adj)  
inventive (adj)  
piece (n)  
reversal (n)  
uninhibited (adj)  
urban (adj)  
vilify (v)

## UNIT 5 DEVELOPMENT

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congestion (n)  
simultaneous (adj)

### PAGES 58–59

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capitalist (n)  
consider (v)  
convert (v)  
creek (n)  
demolish (v)  
dock (v)  
fantasy (n)  
gateway (n)  
heritage (n)  
intersection (n)  
invest (v)  
lend (v)  
modernise (v)  
pearl (n)  
redevelop (v)  
residential (adj)  
sleepy (adj)  
waterfront (n)

### PAGES 60–61

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cultivate (v)  
demonstrator (n)  
equal (adj)  
fertile (adj)  
hectic (adj)  
lagoon (n)  
literate (adj)  
model (n)  
mortality (n)  
regret (v)  
remarkable (adj)  
sociological (adj)  
strike (n)

tolerant (adj)  
tranquil (adj)  
well-off (adj)

### PAGES 62–63

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activist (n)  
amenity (n)  
bamboo (n)  
convenient (adj)  
estimate (v)  
fauna (n)  
flora (n)  
fund (v)  
harm (n)  
hydroelectric (adj)  
infrastructure (n)  
livelihood (n)  
readjust (v)  
rely (v)  
resettle (v)  
revitalise (v)  
safeguard (n)  
sanitation (n)  
showpiece (n)  
stalk (n)  
standard (n)

### PAGES 64–65

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arrogant (adj)  
complete (v)  
facility (n)  
lay (v)  
monument (n)  
prepare (v)  
recreation (n)  
summary (n)  
wrong (adj)

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advantageous (adj)  
camouflage (n)  
lawyer (n)  
major (v)  
mess up (v)  
overall (adj)  
poison dart (n)  
vehicle (n)

## UNIT 6 ALTERNATIVE TRAVEL

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carve (v)  
chandelier (n)  
chilly (adj)  
dramatic (adj)

fitting (n)  
ice (n)  
obvious (adj)

### PAGES 70–71

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attractive (adj)  
drumming (n)  
pack (v)  
postcard (n)  
sight (n)  
souvenir (n)  
thrill (n)

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accommodation (n)  
airfare (n)  
building (n)  
bush (n)  
cub (n)  
expense (n)  
fence (n)  
field (n)  
gap (n)  
monastery (n)  
opt (v)  
poach (v)  
register (v)  
reserve (n)  
restoration (n)  
safari (n)  
wildlife (n)

### PAGES 74–75

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antique (adj)  
balustrade (n)  
cabin (n)  
claustrophobic (adj)  
corridor (n)  
ghost (n)  
gold-rush (n)  
hang up (phr v)  
historical (adj)  
hospitality (n)  
inhabit (v)  
iron (n)  
jail (n)  
mattress (n)  
mutinous (adj)  
open-air (adj)  
primitive (adj)  
prison (n)  
prospector (n)  
publicity (n)  
sailor (n)  
sweet (adj)

tourism (n)  
unpleasant (adj)  
vision (n)

### PAGES 76–77

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complicated (adj)  
couch (n)  
crossroad (n)  
hop (v)  
obligation (n)

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anxious (adj)  
asset (n)  
emerging (adj)  
expatriate (n)  
go-ahead (n)  
intrepid (adj)  
meagre (adj)  
militia (n)  
predicament (n)  
rampage (v)  
recovery (n)  
relation (n)  
ruin (v)  
stunned (adj)

## UNIT 7 NATURAL RESOURCES

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broken (adj)  
decorating (n)  
recyclable (adj)  
switch off (phr v)

### PAGES 82–83

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basin (n)  
brine (n)  
bring up (phr v)  
brush (v)  
conserve (v)  
desalination (n)  
divert (v)  
rainwater (n)  
recharge (v)  
run out of (phr v)  
spring (n)  
waste (n)  
wetlands (n)

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appoint (v)  
block (v)  
compensation (n)

consequence (n)  
extract (v)  
hectare (n)  
initiative (n)  
madness (n)  
oil field (n)  
oil refinery (n)  
oil reserves (n)  
oil rig (n)  
oil slick (n)  
oil tanker (n)  
oil well (n)  
proposal (n)  
spokesperson (n)

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amazement (n)  
axe (n)  
blessed (adj)  
casualty (n)  
cheerful (adj)  
conservatory (n)  
cyclone (n)  
deplore (v)  
erode (v)  
exceptional (adj)  
majestic (adj)  
medicinal (adj)  
monetary (adj)  
obsess (v)  
optimistic (adj)  
rejoice (v)  
riches (n)  
target (n)  
tension (n)  
timber (n)  
trap (n)  
wide-eyed (adj)

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analogy (n)  
environmental (adj)  
excuse (n)  
global warming (n)  
pollute (v)  
prevent (v)  
regional (adj)

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adverse (adj)  
alien (adj)  
archipelago (n)  
barrier (n)  
cliché (n)  
contaminant (n)

corporation (n)  
destruction (n)  
domain (n)  
eruption (n)  
evolve (v)  
footprint (n)  
haven (n)  
isolation (n)  
lava (n)  
leak (n)  
mainland (n)  
newcomer (n)  
old-timer (n)  
relic (n)  
revenue (n)  
run aground (v)  
salvation (n)  
skyrocket (v)  
splendid (adj)  
wake-up call (n)

## UNIT 8 THE NEWS

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correspondent (n)  
gym (n)  
mass (n)  
parental (adj)  
policy (n)  
report (n)  
sleep-in (phr v)  
urge (v)  
witness (v)

### PAGES 94–95

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admit (v)  
agree (v)  
carefree (adj)  
erase (v)  
iconic (adj)  
refugee (n)  
stranger (n)  
untypical (adj)  
weathered (v)

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amusing (adj)  
antioxidant (n)  
appealing (adj)  
charming (adj)  
cure (n)  
decay (n)  
encouraging (adj)  
graze (v)  
greedy (adj)  
hunter (n)



hydrate (v)  
inconclusive (adj)  
inspiring (adj)  
poverty (n)  
quirky (adj)  
sign (n)  
snack (n)  
supplement (n)  
wrinkle (n)  
zinc (n)

### PAGES 98–99

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accuse (v)  
betray (v)  
depressed (adj)  
enquiry (n)  
evacuate (v)  
hero (n)  
incompetent (adj)  
investigation (n)  
invitation (n)  
issue (v)  
mayday call (n)  
miraculously (adv)  
playboy (n)  
praise (v)  
refuse (v)  
risky (adj)  
runway (n)  
sense (v)  
split-second (n)  
ultimately (adv)  
voluntary redundancy (n)  
wrongdoing (n)

### PAGES 100–101

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argument (n)  
driver (n)  
frustrated (adj)  
heated (adj)  
narrow (adj)  
noise (n)  
opposite (adj)  
pinch (n)  
proportion (n)  
questioning (n)  
reckon (v)  
supposedly (adv)  
surprisingly (adv)  
tend (v)  
wake (v)

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amusement park (n)  
appease (v)

bento box (n)  
bonding (n)  
bulldozer (n)  
conical (adj)  
emotional (adj)  
goddess (n)  
matter (n)  
misty (adj)  
persevere (v)  
pilgrimage (n)  
purification (n)  
spiritual (adj)  
typhoon (n)  
vending machine (n)  
worship (v)

## UNIT 9 TALENTED PEOPLE

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assign (v)  
bathe (v)  
command (n)  
extreme (adj)  
extremely (adv)  
intimate (adj)  
pair (n)  
patience (n)  
traditionally (adv)  
understanding (n)

### PAGES 106–107

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accept (v)  
aerospace (n)  
aircraft (n)  
attention (n)  
corporate (adj)  
experimental (adj)  
oblige (v)  
opening (n)  
propulsion (n)  
public (n)  
reflection (n)  
remain (v)  
talented (adj)  
visor (n)

### PAGES 108–109

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anthropology (n)  
award (n)  
common (n)  
marine (adj)  
storyteller (n)  
undiscovered (adj)

## PAGES 110–111

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affairs (n)  
assume (v)  
beard (n)  
coffin (n)  
convention (n)  
custom (n)  
divine (adj)  
frustration (n)  
headdress (n)  
heir (n)  
inscribe (v)  
irony (n)  
minor (adj)  
obelisk (n)  
positively (adv)  
precise (adj)  
proclaim (v)  
radically (adv)  
relegate (v)  
reunite (v)  
revenge (n)  
sarcophagus (n)  
shrine (n)  
smash (v)  
stepson (n)  
successor (n)  
supreme (adj)  
tomb (n)  
undisturbed (adj)

## PAGES 112–113

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bright (adj)  
committed (adj)  
consultancy (n)  
cope (v)  
economics (n)  
faith (n)  
familiar (adj)  
follow-up (phr v)  
knowledgeable (adj)  
paperwork (n)  
program (n)  
software (n)  
specialised (adj)  
spreadsheet (n)

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charmed (adj)  
controversy (n)  
distort (v)  
elegant (adj)  
grief (n)  
infuriate (v)  
murder (n)  
overjoyed (adj)

pursuit (n)  
seize (v)  
uncertain (adj)

## UNIT 10 CUSTOMS AND BEHAVIOUR

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behave (v)  
behaviour (adj)  
courtesy (n)  
interrupt (v)  
manners (n)  
nutshell (n)  
offensive (adj)  
quotation (n)  
slouch (v)  
stare (v)  
well-behaved (adj)

### PAGES 118–119

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contribution (n)  
controversial (adj)  
demands (n)  
direct (adj)  
doubt (n)  
hesitate (v)  
homemade (adj)  
honesty (n)  
laid-back (adj)  
misbehave (v)  
nag (v)  
pester (v)  
rear (v)  
rebel (v)  
self-discipline (n)  
shame (v)  
soft (adj)  
stereotypical (adj)

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carbohydrate (n)  
chocolate bar (n)  
consist (v)  
disgusted (adj)  
fungi (n)  
indigestible (adj)  
moss (n)  
offering (n)  
protein (n)  
rice (n)  
unconventional (adj)

### PAGES 122–123

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bored (adj)  
bow (v)

comparison (n)  
distracted (adj)  
eyebrow (n)  
facial (adj)  
frown (v)  
gesture (n)  
glassy (adj)  
greet (v)  
insult (n)  
outstretched (adj)  
posture (n)  
restless (adj)  
role (n)  
sensitivity (n)  
shake (v)  
tap (v)

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bride (n)  
hen night (n)  
henna (n)  
stag night (n)  
veil (n)

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brim (v)  
bug (n)  
candy (n)  
caramel (n)  
garnish (n)  
gourmet (n)  
munch (v)  
niche (n)  
revolting (adj)  
snob (n)  
stomach (v)  
swat (v)  
toffee (n)  
trend (n)

## UNIT 11 KNOWLEDGE AND LEARNING

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grasp (n)  
intuition (n)  
judgement (n)  
mechanics (n)  
motoring (adj)  
reasoned (adj)  
suitable (adj)

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distinguish (v)  
engage (v)  
fascination (n)

ignorant (adj)  
indigenous (adj)  
mish-mash (n)  
take in (phr v)

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blank (adj)  
curse (v)  
evoke (v)  
exact (adj)  
internal (adj)  
retrieve (v)  
selective (adj)  
stimulate (v)

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capable (adj)  
cartoon (n)  
categorise (v)  
cognitive (adj)  
deliberately (adv)  
dynamics (n)  
edible (adj)  
entirely (adv)  
evidence (n)  
futile (adj)  
moody (adj)  
ripe (adj)  
troublesome (adj)  
unripe (adj)  
walnut (n)

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