# Most frequently used words in English

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### VOCABULARY (15 words):

authority	[əˈθɔːrəţi]
She had a problem with the authorities.	
protect; protection	[prəˈtekt,
He will always protect you.	[prəˈtekʃən]
temperature	[ˈtɛmprətʃər]
What is the temperature of the water?	
burn-burnt-burnt; burn out	[bɜ:rn-bɜ:rnt]
A lot of people suffer from burnout	
syndrome.	
comfort; comfortable	[ˈkʌmfərt <i>,</i>
You should step out of your comfort zone.	ˈkʌmfərtəbl]
dish; dishes; dishwasher	[dɪʃ, ˈdɪʃɪz,
Could you wash the dishes?	ˈdɪˌʃwɑʃər]
note	[noʊt]
Take notes, please.	
bakery	[ˈbeɪkəri]
I'm just going to pop into the bakery.	
inside	[ɪnˈsaɪd]
Look inside.	
soap	[soʊp]
Pass me the soap, please.	
menu	[ˈmenjuː]
I would like a menu.	
stable/unstable	[ˈsteɪbl, ʌnˈsteɪbl]
I consider them a stable couple.	
employ; employee; employer	[ɪmˈplɔɪ, ɪmˈplɔɪiː,
They employ foreigners.	[ɪmplɔɪˈər]
knife	[naɪf]
That knife is not very sharp.	
refrigerator, fridge	[rɪˈfrɪdʒəˌreɪţər,
Our fridge broke down.	frɪdʒ]

US pronunciation: = primary stress = secondary stress Br. E. =British English  $\mathbf{\hat{\sigma}}$  (allow),  $\mathbf{\hat{\sigma}}$  (this),  $\mathbf{\theta}$  (thank),  $\mathbf{\hat{x}}$  (apple),  $\mathbf{\eta}$  (bank),  $\mathbf{dz}$  = (angel),  $\mathbf{z}$  (pleasure),  $\mathbf{tJ}$  (cheese),  $\mathbf{J}$  = (show),  $\mathbf{n}$ =a (mud),  $\mathbf{z}$ ;  $\mathbf{z}$  = 0:, o (corner),  $\mathbf{z}$  =  $\mathbf{a}$  +u (good),  $\mathbf{a}$ :,  $\mathbf{a}$  = o: + a:, a+o (sauce),  $\mathbf{t}$  = d (later),  $\mathbf{r}$  = i (miss),  $\mathbf{z}$ :,  $\mathbf{\hat{z}}$ : =  $\mathbf{a}$ :,  $\mathbf{a}$ : (hurdle),  $\mathbf{c}$ =e (red)

#### **OTHER PHRASES AND IDIOMS:**

soap opera	
inside lane, slow lane	
get burned	
burn-out syndrome	
employment/unemployment	
like a (hot) knife through butter	

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average	[ˈævrɪdʒ]
What is the average salary in your country?	
reduce; reduction	[rɪˈduːs, rɪˈdʌkʃn]
Cost reduction is inevitable.	
level	[ˈlevl]
What is your level of English?	
street	[striːt]
What street do you live on?	
member; membership	[ˈmɛmbər,
I don't want to lose my membership.	ˈmɛmbər,ʃɪp]
destination	[ˌdestəˈneɪʃən]
Finally we changed the destination.	
compromise	[ˈkɑːmprəmaɪz]
Marriage is about compromises.	
around	[əˈraʊnd]
Something around 20 minutes.	
suck	[sʌk ]
Stop sucking your thumb.	
grow-grew-grown	[groʊ-gruː-groʊn]
Do you grow your own herbs?	
pet	[pet]
I wish I had a pet.	
stick; stick-stuck-stuck; get/be stuck	[stɪk-stʌk]
We're stuck in a traffic jam.	
till, until	[tɪl, ənˈtɪl]
You have to wait until tomorrow.	
coat; raincoat	[koʊt, ˈreɪŋkoʊt]
Are you taking a raincoat with you?	
for	[fɔːr, fər]
Who is it for? What is it for? What for?	

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#### **OTHER PHRASES AND IDIOMS:**

above sea level	
For how long?	
before noon	
coating	
pet peeve, What are your pet peeves?	
Just stick to it.	

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#### TIME CLAUSES [taɪm 'klɔ:zɪz]

-refer to the future but use the present simple or present perfect tense after the conjunctions -conjunctions: **as soon as, when, after, before, by the time, while, until** 

[æz su:n æz, wɛn, ˈæftər, bɪˈfɔ:r, baɪ ðə taɪm, waɪl, ənˈtɪl]

note: do not confuse time clauses with object clauses that follow after: I wonder..., I don't know..., Tell me...., Ask me...., Don't tell me....Don't ask me.....

Examples: I don't know when he will come. Don't tell me when he will come.

### Examples of time clauses:

I will call you as soon as I get there.
When I see him, I will let you know.
Wait until he has gone.
Before I go, I'd like to ask you something.
I'll come after I've finished. I'll come as soon as I am done. I'll come when I have finished.
I would like to do it while I'm on my vacation.
We'll be done by the time you get there.

# PREFERENCE - rather, d'better, prefer

['prɛfərəns, 'ræðər, d´'bɛtər, prɪ'fɜ:r]

# PREFER TO/-ING

I prefer to live in a village. I prefer living in a village. I prefer cats to dogs. I prefer to live in a village rather than live in a town. I'd prefer to live in a village (rather than live in a town).

# RATHER / RATHER NOT + infinitive without "to"

I'd rather go alone. I would rather go alone. I 'd rather not go there alone. I'd rather go there than stay here.

# <u>´D RATHER SB. DID ST.</u>

I'd rather you did it. I'd rather you didn't tell anyone.



<u>´D BETTER</u> = had better, <u>D´ BETTER NOT</u> ......these are similar to "should, shouldn´t" or "it would be better if"

I'd better leave earlier. You'd better take a raincoat. I'd better do it right now.

**RELATIVE CLAUSES** ['rɛlətɪv 'klɔ:zɪz] -pronouns that are used here: who, which, that, whose, whom, where, why, when [hu:, wɪtʃ, ðæt, hu:z, hu:m, wɛr, waɪ, wɛn] -they give us essential or extra information about the subject or an object of the sentence -we use WHO, THAT, WHICH (only for things), WHOSE, WHOM, WHERE (talking about places), WHAT (= the things that /everything that; not after: superlatives; everything, something, nothing, anything, some, any, no, little, few, all!), WHY (talking about reasons), WHEN (talking about time) Examples: The woman (who/that/whom) I wanted to speak to was already gone. The place where we met was closed. The reason **why** I left was very simple. Those girls **whose** parents are not here were uncontrollable. All those places where he took me were magic. The boys (who/that) I work with are very kind. The boys with whom I work are very kind. Mr. Smith, to whom I feel grateful (who I feel grateful to), will open the ceremony. I met John, who/whom I hadn't seen for 10 years. Do you know what I mean? Show me what you mean. Those times **when** we were kids are gone. **1. defining relative clauses** define a person or a thing, they cannot be omitted, they are not separated by commas. They provide essential information. When the relative pronoun refers to the object, it can be omitted: She is the one (who / that) I love. She is the woman (who / that) I want to marry. When the relative pronoun refers to the subject, it cannot be omitted:

This is the girl whose parents sponsored it.

The woman who lives on the second floor is crazy.

**2. non-defining relative clauses** provide extra information, they can be omitted and are separated by commas.

Martina, the woman that I love, is going there with us. Martina, the woman who I want to marry, will be there too. Mr. Jones, who you spoke about, was very energetic. She shouted at the kids, which was very bad of her.

Compare defining relative clauses: We stayed at the hotel that Peter recommended. We stayed at the hotel which Peter recommended. We stayed at the hotel Peter recommended. We have a few friends who work in Paris.

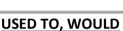


And non-defining: We stayed at the Clarion Hotel, which Peter recommended/which was recommended by Peter. David, who is my brother, is going to visit us. Note:

-none, neither, any, either, some, many, much, (a) few, both, a lot of, half, each, most, one, two, three.... + **OF** + **WHICH/WHOM** 

-nothing of which, the cause of which, the name of which......

They have two children, both of whom are girls. They have two children, neither of whom is a girl. They have two children, either of whom can study abroad. They have two cars, both of which are Renault. They have many children, none of whom is a musician. They have many cars, three of which are white.



[ju:zd tu, wʊd]



-something happened regularly or repeatedly in the past but it does not happen anymore or the intensity is lower

I used to play tennis when I was a kid. (And I don't play it anymore).
Here used to be my playground. (And it is not there anymore).
She used to have long hair.
I used to eat chocolate much more than I do these days.
Did you use to eat it when you were a child?

I didn't **use to** like her but now I do.

-"would" can be used in similar meaning: The dog **would** bark every day and it made me crazy. Whenever he rode his bike, he **would** visit his grandma.