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Words and phrases

1 Transport and transportation

Replace each definition with a group of people from the box.

cyclists passengers commuters urban planners pedestrians

- 1 Every year a growing number of *people who ride bicycles* are injured when motorists knock them off their bikes cyclists .
- 2 Thousands of *people who travel to work* find the traffic stressful.
- 3 More inner city areas should be allocated to *people who walk* only.
- 4 *People who design our cities* should make the roads safer for cyclists.
- 5 *People paying to use the bus* in Switzerland know they can rely on an efficient service.

Complete each sentence with a term from the box.

electronic fuel injection a hybrid an electric vehicle a catalytic converter

- 6 relies on a battery and outlets where it can obtain electricity.
- 7 relies on a smaller battery and a conventional car engine.
- 8 removes pollutants from exhaust gases before they leave the car.
- 9 reduces the volume of pollutants by making combustion more efficient.

Match 10–17 with a–h to make suitable compound nouns.

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| 10 traffic .. ^e | a recall |
| 11 rush | b network |
| 12 fuel | c efficiency |
| 13 driver | d limit |
| 14 product | e congestion |
| 15 emissions | f alertness |
| 16 bus | g hour |
| 17 speed | h laws |

Complete each sentence with one of the compounds from 10–17 above. Some of the compounds will not be used.

- 18 Our tough emissions laws have reduced the number of old cars on the road.
- 19 Accidents caused by faulty wiring led to an immediate
- 20 The question is whether the legal driving age should be increased or the reduced instead?
- 21 will only be reduced if fewer private cars are on the road.
- 22 Manufacturers claim the car is second to none in terms of its
- 23 New technology will prevent collisions often caused by failures in

2 Priority and order

Underline the correct option. Sometimes both are correct.

- 1 Amelia Earhart was a pioneering/ground-breaking female aviator and the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean.
- 2 When offered a choice between a job that was creatively satisfying but low-paid and a job that was mundane but paid well, most people chose the latter/second.
- 3 Students were chosen at random/out of order to take part in the experiment.
- 4 The government must give priority/precedence to improving the conditions of the underclass.
- 5 Our old buildings with traditional architecture should be preserved for posterity/afterwards.
- 6 In this case, the benefits clearly outweigh/overtake the drawbacks.
- 7 As a former/prior criminal himself, David was able to understand some of the attitudes held by the young offenders.
- 8 Preliminary/Early findings suggest that the vaccine has been effective.
- 9 Sijbren observed that the birds came back to the island for four consecutive/successive years, and then failed to return.
- 10 The neoclassical style of art dominated European art for almost a half-century and is one of the precursors/predecessors of modern painting.
- 11 It was a style of music that was considered ahead of its time/avant garde.

3 Confusing words

Underline the correct words in each pair of sentences.

- 1 The chemical had no affect/effect on the majority of the test group.
Few people cannot be affected/effected by the sight of a hungry child.
- 2 Would you mind if I lent/borrowed your notes from the lecture?
I hope the bank will lend/borrow me enough money for my tuition fees next term.
- 3 We require/request you to show your passport before you take the exam.
I requested/required an extension for my essay from my tutor.
- 4 We must take measures to reduce/decline the amount of waste we produce.
The amount of waste has been reducing/declining over the last few years.
- 5 So far, I have avoided/prevented taking a test in English.
My job prevented/avoided me from coming to England to study before now.
- 6 In my country, I live/stay in Riyadh with my parents and sisters.
I'll be living/staying in a hotel in Riyadh when I visit Saudi Arabia.
- 7 We have to find out/find an alternative source of energy instead of fossil fuel.
I expect to find out/find the results of my test on Friday.
- 8 It is the duty of parents to educate/bring up their children with a sense of social duty.
More people need to be educated/brought up about good eating habits.

4 Prefix *un-*

Complete each sentence with a form of the word in CAPITALS, using the prefix *un-*. Make any other spelling or form changes that are needed.

- 1 In many respects, the future of civilization is *unpredictable*. PREDICT
- 2 People may consume GM food as it not clearly labelled. KNOW
- 3 It may be the case that true equality in society is ATTAIN
- 4 Allowing urban development to spread onto land set aside for conservation purposes is JUST
- 5 Last year, the number of fell by 3%. EMPLOY
- 6 It would be to expect a reduction in government spending. REAL
- 7 Another factor is that some practitioners of alternative medicine are QUALIFICATION
- 8 It is impossible to remain by the sight of so much poverty. AFFECT
- 9 It is that television has a huge influence over young minds. DENY
- 10 There is still some as to whether the project will go ahead. CERTAIN

5 Meet

Complete each sentence with a word from the box.

criteria	deadline	demand	halfway
opposition	standards	needs	obstacles

- 1 'Make sure your essay *meets* all the *criteria* .
- 2 Self-confidence allows a person to overcome any he or she may *meet*.
- 3 'I decided to study academic English because it *meets my* more.'
- 4 'I'm worried that I won't *meet* next week's for the assignment.'
- 5 Whenever the government proposes to raise the legal driving age, this proposal is often *met with* strong from rural populations.'
- 6 Legislation was passed to ensure all imports *met the* minimum safety
- 7 Production was increased to *meet the* for the new vaccine.
- 8 After long negotiations, the two countries agreed to *meet* on the new trade agreement.

6 Suffixes *-able, -ial, -ive*

Complete each sentence with the word in CAPITALS, using one of the suffixes above. Make any other spelling or form changes that are needed.

- 1 I think my city is *relatively*.. safe compared to others. RELATE
- 2 That's quite a issue, I think. CONTROVERSY
- 3 Personally, it would be to live abroad for ever. IMAGINE
- 4 I don't have to work hard, so I don't mind my job. EXCESS
- 5 I think journalism has a duty to show you the truth. INVESTIGATE
- 6 My goal is to run a successful company, one day. COMMERCE
- 7 It's whether 'fame' means the same thing as 'success'. DEBATE
- 8 I used to have a position in my last job. MANAGER