

ACADEMIC WORD LIST – SUB-LIST 1.1

SUB-LIST 1: Practice (1)

Exercise 1: Transcribe the phonemic words below into texts, and then match them to the correct definition:

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| 1. kən'sɪst | Consist d | a. Part of a place, piece of land or country |
| 2. ə'prəʊtʃ | Approach g | b. Able to be bought, used, or reached |
| 3. 'eriə | Area a | c. Principle or idea |
| 4. ə'sju:m | Assume j | d. Comprised or made up of |
| 5. ə'veɪləbəl | available | e. A helpful or good effect |
| 6. ə'θɔ:rəti | authority f | f. The moral or legal right to control |
| 7. 'benɪfɪt /
'ben.ə.fɪt/ | benefit e | g. To come nearer to something |
| 8. 'kɒn sept | Concept c | h. Evaluate |
| 9. 'ænə,ləɪz | Analyse i | i. To study or examine |
| 10. ə'ses | assess | j. To accept as true without question or proof |

Exercise 2: Use a word from the list in exercise 1 to complete each sentence.

- Job creation is a **benefit** that the discovery of oil brought to the town.
- Scientists are working in the laboratory to **analyse** water samples taken from streams for contamination. It is important to check them carefully.
- It is very difficult to define the **concept** of beauty.
- Every **area** of the country will have some rain tonight.
- Is this dress **available** in a larger size?
- I think you should **approach** your boss politely to ask for a pay rise.
- I **assume** (that) you knew each other because you went to the same school.
- The United Nations has used its **authority** to restore peace in the area.
- America is known to **consist** of fifty states.
- Examinations are not the only way to **assess** a student's ability.

Exercise 3. Give the correct form of the following words.

- Some experts think that the agency may have exceeded its (**authoritative**) _____.
- We must be (**consist**) _____ in applying the rules.
- We need to challenge some of the basic (**assume**) _____ of Western philosophy.
- An adequate environmental (**assess**) _____ was not carried out on the bypass project.
- They finally came to a mutually (**benefit**) _____ agreement.
- The summit was (**approach**) _____ only from the south.
- Such luxuries are (**availability**) _____ to ordinary people.
- Futher (**analyze**) _____ revealed significant regional variations in the results.
- He has no (**concept**) _____ understanding of physics at all.

Exercise 4. Choose the word which has the CLOSEST meaning to the underlined word.

1. Reseachers have **analyzed** the results in detail using specialist software.

A. read B. scrutinized C. looked for D. reported

2. She took the wrong **approach** in her dealings with them.

- A. tactic B. channel C. gateway D. track

3. Accurately **assessing** environmental impacts is very complex.

- A. disregarding B. condoning C. tolerating D. estimating

4. Most **available** evidence suggest that home-schooled children are getting a good education.

- A. obtainable B. off-limits C. inaccessible D. scarce

5. Her work is sometimes good, but the problem is she's not **consistent**.

- A. changing B. harmonious C. unvarying D. compatible

SUB-LIST 1: Practice 2

Exercise 1: Match the word to the correct definition:

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| 1. ,distri'bju:ən | _____ | a. the air, water and land in or on which people, animals and plants live |
| 2. 'kɒn tekst | _____ | b. to form or make up something |
| 3. 'kɒn trækt | _____ | c. information, especially facts or numbers |
| 4. 'deɪtə | _____ | d. the system of trade and industry by which the wealth of a country is made and used |
| 5. 'kɒn sti tʃu:t | _____ | e. to say what the meaning of something, especially a word, is |
| 6. di'raɪv | _____ | f. to make something new, especially to invent something |
| 7. ek ə 'nɒm ɪk | _____ | g. to get something from something else |
| 8. ɪn'vaɪrənmənt | _____ | h. the situation within which something exists or happens, and that can help explain it |
| 9. ,defɪ'nɪʃən | _____ | i. a legal document that states and explains a formal agreement |
| 10. kri'eɪt | _____ | j. to give something out to several people, or to spread or supply something |

Exercise 2: Use a word from the list in exercise 1 to complete each sentence.

- The _____ was/were collected by various researchers.
- These institutes _____ most of their money from foreign investments. They get only a small amount from domestic investments.
- Women _____ about 10% of Parliament. Men make up the remaining 90%.
- Tourism contributes largely to the country's _____ growth. It has helped prevent the country from going into recession.
- In this dictionary the _____ of 'reality' is given as 'the state of things as they are, rather than as they are imagined to be'.
- They could take legal action against you if you break (the terms of) the _____.
- Certain chemicals have been banned because of their damaging effect on the _____.
- It's important to _____ a good impression when you meet a new client.
- It is important to see all the fighting and bloodshed in his plays in historical _____.
- They will _____ free books to local schools. They are given out for free because schools do not have much money to spend.

Exercise 3. Give the correct form of the following words.

1. He was _____ in all areas of his life. (**economic**)
2. They are Japan's largest software _____ (**distribute**).
3. There is no agreed _____ of what a comprehensive school should be. (**define**)
4. "Detestable" is a _____ of "detest". (**derive**)
5. He had been with the company since its _____ in 1990. (**create**)
6. Their main objective is to promote _____ protection. (**environment**)
7. We are _____ obliged to deal with this firm. (**contract**)
8. You have to _____ the remark in the overall discussion to fully understand what was meant. (**context**)
9. Poverty is a constitutive element of a particular form of economic growth. (**constitute**)

Exercise 4. Choose the word which has the CLOSEST meaning to the underlined word.

1. Hospitals have a duty to provide a safe working **environment** for all staff.
A. terrain B. habitat C. situation D. surroundings
2. They studied the geographical **distribution** of the disease.
A. arrangement B. allocation C. Confusion D. sequence
3. You could **economize** on food by not eating in restaurants all the time.
A. cut expenditure B. reduce earnings C. accumulate savings D. make profit
4. It's impossible to understand completely an isolated word without some **contextual** clues.
A. actual B. circumstantial C. practical D. available

SUB-LIST 1: Practice (3)

Exercise 1: Transcribe the phonemic words below into texts, and then match them to the correct definition:

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| 1. aɪ'dentɪfaɪ | _____ | a. to start a company or organization that will continue for a long time / to discover or get proof of something |
| 2. 'eɪdɪnt | _____ | b. to send goods to another country for sale |
| 3. 'eksɜːpt | _____ | c. a standard or accepted way of doing or making something / mathematical rule |
| 4. 'fæktər | _____ | d. money that is earned from doing work or received from investments |
| 5. 'fɔːmjələ | _____ | e. easily seen or understood; obvious |
| 6. 'ɪn.dɪ.kət | _____ | f. a fact or situation which influences the result of something |
| 7. 'ɪn.kʌm | _____ | g. to show something, point to something, or make something clear |
| 8. 'ɪstæblɪʃ | _____ | h. to guess the cost, size, value, etc. of something |
| 9. 'estə,meɪt | _____ | i. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are |
| 10. 'faɪ,næns | _____ | j. the monetary resources and affairs of a state, organization, or person / to provide funding for a person or organisation |

Exercise 2: Use a word from the list in exercise 1 to complete each sentence.

1. Our clothes sell so well in this country that we have no need to _____.
2. From the smell it was _____ that the drains had been blocked for several days.
3. The _____ of the veins is to carry blood to the heart.
4. They are planning to _____ a new school in the local area.
5. We have changed the _____ of the washing powder. There are now less chemicals in it.

6. It was difficult to _____ how many trees had been destroyed, but it was somewhere between 10 and 15 thousand.
7. More help is needed for people on low _____. They don't have enough money to live on.
8. Price will be a major _____ in the success of this new product.
9. Police have been able to _____ the gunman in Wednesday's attack as Lee Giggs, an unemployed truck driver.
10. The _____ of the company are in a mess. They cannot account for over 3 million dollars.

Exercise 3. Give the correct form of the following words.

1. Both weddings and funerals are important _____ of status in Hong Kong. (**indicate**)
2. The _____ of the crash victims was a long and difficult task. (**identify**)
3. The hospital will soon be _____. (**function**)
4. The necessary _____ basis for her claim is lacking. (**evidence**)
5. They _____ his ability when they promoted him. Actually, he was not qualified enough for that position. (**estimate**)
6. The power station should be fully _____ by the end of the year. (**function**)
7. The _____ of a U.N. peacekeeping force was supposed to reduce the number of conflicts internationally. (**establish**)
8. The recipe for our cookies has been _____ to contain less fat. (**formula**)
9. Children in Canada generally become _____ independent of their parents in their 20s. (**finance**)

Exercise 4. Choose the word which has the CLOSEST meaning to the underlined word.

1. They are establishing a network of pumps and pipelines to move the oil.
A. launching B. rebutting C. refuting D. demonstrating
2. Passengers were asked to identify their own suitcase before they were put on the plane.
A. conceal B. disguise C. simulate D. pick out
3. The project will only go ahead if they can raise the necessary finance.
A. economics B. resource C. funding D. subsistence
4. There appears to be a dysfunction in the patient's respiratory system.
A. break B. disorder C. complaint D. epidemic