INSPIRATION LOADING...

GET INSPIRED... AND SHARE IT WITH YOUR PUPILS

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Shuffle This

Shuffle

101 words to use instead of ‘very’

very accurate exact	very bright luminous	very crowded bustling	very dull tedious	very friendly amiable	very little tiny
very afraid fearful	very busy swamped	very cute adorable	very easy effortless	very frightened alarmed	very long extensive
very angry furious	very calm serene	very dangerous perilous	very empty desolate	very frightening terrifying	very loose slack
very annoying exasperating	very careful cautious	very dear cherished	very excited thrilled	very funny hilarious	very mean cruel
very bad awful	very clean spotless	very deep profound	very exciting exhilarating	very glad overjoyed	very necessary essential
very beautiful gorgeous	very clear obvious	very detailed meticulous	very expensive costly	very good excellent	very nice kind
very big massive	very cold freezing	very difficult arduous	very fat obese	very great terrific	very noisy deafening
very boring dull	very confused perplexed	very dirty filthy	very fast swift	very happy ecstatic	very often frequently
very hard difficult	very hard-to-find rare	very hungry starving	very intelligent brilliant	very large huge	very old ancient
very high soaring	very huge colossal	very important crucial	very interesting captivating	very lazy indolent	very old-fashioned archaic

very open transparent	very sad sorrowful	very smart intelligent	very tasty delicious	very unhappy miserable	very willing eager
very painful excruciating	very scared petrified	very smelly pungent	very tiny minuscule	very warm hot	very wise sage
very pale ashen	very scary chilling	very smooth sleek	very tired exhausted	very weak frail	very worried distressed
very perfect flawless	very serious grave	very sorry apologetic	very ugly hideous	very wet soaked	Source: Proofreadingservices.com
very poor destitute	very sharp keen	very special exceptional			
very pretty beautiful	very short brief	very strong forceful			
very quick rapid	very shy timid	very stupid idiotic			
very quiet hushed	very simple basic	very sure certain			
very rainy pouring	very slow sluggish	very sweet thoughtful			
very rich wealthy	very small petite	very talented gifted			

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What about verbs & tenses?

The past, the present and the future walked into a bar. It was tense.

What time is it?

A blonde asked someone what time it was, and they told her it was 4:45. The blonde, with a puzzled look on her face replied, “You know, it’s the weirdest thing, I have been asking that question all day, and each time I get a different answer.”

Reading the clock

1. It’s one o’clock.
2. It’s noon / midnight.
3. It’s half past four.
4. It’s a quarter to ten.
5. It’s five to two.
6. It’s ten past seven.
7. It’s twenty past eleven.
8. It’s twenty-five minutes past three.

English idioms

Burn the midnight oil
To work studiously late into the night

To spill the beans
To tell a secret

It's raining cats and dogs
It's raining hard

Break a leg
A way to wish someone good luck

Hold your horses
A way to tell someone to wait a moment

Challenge your pupils! Do you speak English like a pro?

- Challenge your pupils with these tongue twisters!
- Or warm up your voice before teaching!

End your lesson with a tongue twister to clear the mind!

Frivolous fat Fannie fried fresh fish furiously.

She sells seashells by the seashore.

The cook took a good look at the cookery book.

Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers,
A peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked.
If Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers,
Where's the peck of pickled peppers Peter Piper picked?

While we were walking, we were watching window washers wash Washington's windows with warm washing water.

How British are you?

1.

You are walking through a crowded Underground station when someone bumps into you. Do you…

a) Apologise, even though it's not remotely your fault.
b) Not notice. Both you and he are wearing headphones the size of soup bowls and are texting as you walk. The world around you might as well not exist.
c) Exclaim loudly, gesticulate wildly, but take no further action for fear of disturbing your immaculate clothes.

2.

The Royal Family is…

a) The perfect symbol of our nation's history and its culture – the embodiment of everything it means to be British.
b) A bit of an irrelevance, frankly, in this classless, multicultural age.
c) A charming tourist attraction – and we like seeing pictures of Kate's bare bottom in our gossip magazines!

3.

Someone breaks wind, loudly and noxiously, at a dinner party. Do you…

a) Carry on with your conversation as if nothing at all had happened.
c) Get out your phone and tweet: "OMG!!! Bloke next to me totally FARTED!!! #holdyournose #giantpoisoncloud"
c) Curl your lip contemptuously to indicate the distaste you feel on receipt of this gaseous gift and realise that it is true what they say: these people really are uncivilised louts.

4.

Marmite is…

a) Delicious!
b) Disgusting!
c) Excuse me, please, but is what, this strange Marmeet?

5.

Football is…

a) A game for gentlemen played by hooligans.
b) A game of Fifa 14 played on my Xbox.
c) A game we play much better than you, Senhor.

6.

My idea of classic British humour is…

a) Eric and Ernie, The Two Ronnies, Dad's Army – and that nice Michael McIntyre can be quite amusing.
b) Frankie Boyle, The IT Crowd, John Bishop
c) Your Benny Hill so funny ist, mitt die sexy Mädchen through the park chasing him. And Mr Bean! Such a stupid Englishman. Ha, ha, ha!

7.

The weather is…

a) *Not only interesting in itself, but also a topic of conversation that can be raised with anyone without fear of causing offence.*
b) *All sorted. I've got an app that gives me forecasts.*
c) *The weather. I mean, it's hot, it's cold, it's wet, it's dry. So what?*

8.

Do you go to church…

a) *At Christmas, Easter, Remembrance Sunday, and all weddings, christenings, and funerals. And I always enjoy the hymns!*
b) *Never. And when I do, I haven't an earthly clue what's going on.*
c) *Every Sunday, of course. And I often just go into church to say a prayer or light a candle.*

9.

A long line of people are waiting at a railway ticket office, supermarket checkout or ladies' loo. Do you…

a) *Go to the back of the queue, wait your turn, and adopt a furious but silent look of disapproval if anyone barges in.*
b) *Go to the back of the queue, wait your turn, and complain furiously and loudly if anyone barges in.*
c) *Go to the front of the queue and barge in.*

10.

The key to dressing well is…

a) *To be appropriately attired for any occasion at which you find yourself, from the Royal Enclosure at Ascot, to a casual Sunday lunch in a country pub.*
b) *To look at pictures of celebrities and then spend as much money as you can trying to copy them.*
c) *To be chic! To be sexy! To be all the things that certain nations – ahem! – find it impossible to understand!*

WHAT YOUR ANSWERS SAY ABOUT YOU?

Mostly (a)s: *You are a thoroughly British individual. You are decent, tolerant, and humorous. You exercise regularly, eat sensibly… and your underwear is made of tweed.*

Mostly (b)s: *For now, your values are hopelessly skewed. But fear not, we were all equally foolish in our youth. You'll be properly British in the end.*

Mostly (c)s: *You're foreign. We are dreadfully sorry. That must be ghastly for you. If there's anything we can do to rescue you from your latest dictator – please don't hesitate to ask.*

American versus British English

Talk about it;
do you know other
double meanings?

Taking notes

Spice up your lesson with this song by the British rock band Queen!

1.

I want to break free
I want to break free
I want to break free from your lies
You are so self-satisfied I don't need you
I have got to break free
God knows, God knows I want to break free

2.

I've fallen in love
I've fallen in love for the first time
And this time I know it's for real
I've fallen in love, yeah
God knows, God knows I've fallen in love

3.

It's strange but it's true, yeah
I can't get over the way you love me like you do
But I have to be sure
When I walk out that door
Oh how I want to be free, baby
Oh how I want to be free
Oh how I want to break free

4.

But life still goes on
I can't get used to living without, living without
Living without you by my side
I don't want to live alone, hey
God knows, got to make it on my own
So baby can't you see?
I've got to break free

5.

I have got to break free
I want to break free, yeah
I want, I want, I want,
I want to break free

English, what else?

Let's face it - English is a crazy language.
There is no egg in eggplant nor ham in hamburger; neither apple nor pine in pineapple. English muffins weren't invented in England or French fries in France. Sweetmeats are candies while sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are meat. We take English for granted. But if we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square, and a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig.

And why is it that writers write but fingers don't fing, grocers don't groce and hammers don't ham? If the plural of tooth is teeth, why isn't the plural of booth beeth? One goose, 2 geese. So one moose, 2 meese? One index, 2 indices? Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend? If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but one of them, what do you call it?

If teachers taught, why didn't preachers praught? If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat? In what language do people recite at a play and play at a recital? Ship by truck and send cargo by ship? Have noses that run and feet that smell? How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites?

You have to marvel at the unique lunacy of a language in which your house can burn up as it burns down, in which you fill in a form by filling it out and in which an alarm goes off by going on. English was invented by people, not computers, and it reflects the creativity of the human race (which, of course, isn't a race at all). That is why, when the stars are out, they are visible, but when the lights are out, they are invisible.

And finally, why doesn't 'Buick' rhyme with 'quick'?

Richard Lederer

Did you know?

- English is the third most widespread native language in the world.
- The word 'lol' was added to the Oxford Dictionary in 2011.
- 11% of the English language is the letter 'e'.
- The word 'happy' is used three times more often than the word 'sad'.
- The longest English word is pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanoconiosis.

How to... drink tea like a true Brit

A little party never killed nobody

A true Brit would say: "I'm having tea" and not "I'm taking tea".

1

ONE SHOULD ADD MILK ONCE THE TEA HAS BREWED.

2

STIR THE TEA GENTLY; ONE MUST NEVER SWIRL.

3

ONE MUST NEVER HOLD ONE'S TEACUP WITH ONE'S PINKIE FINGER EXTENDED. THIS TYPE OF BEHAVIOUR IS CONSIDERED IMPROPER.

4

ONE SHOULD HOLD THE CUP WITH THE THUMB AND FINGERS; NEVER GRASP THE BOWL OF THE CUP WITH ONE'S HAND.

5

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCE SHOULD ONE EVER SIP FROM THE SPOON.

6

AFTER STIRRING, REMOVE THE AND PLACE IT ON THE SAUCER TO THE RIGHT OF THE HANDLE.

7

LOOK INTO THE TEACUP, NEVER OVER IT. ON ABSOLUTELY NO OCCASION SHOULD ONE'S EYES MEET WITH ANOTHER GUEST WHEN DRINKING THE TEA.

8

UNDER NO CONDITION SHOULD ONE 'DUNK' A BISCUIT. THIS WOULD SIMPLY BE PRIMITIVE.

9

ONE MUST SIP, NOT SLURP, ONE'S TEA.

10

ENJOY!

St. Patrick's Day

Throw a St. Patrick's Day class party on 17 March.

HOW TO SPEAK ENGLISH LIKE THE IRISH IN 5 STEPS

1

SOFTEN THE VOWELS.

'HOW ARE YOU?' BECOMES 'HA-WARE-YA?'
IRELAND BECOMES OIRELAND.

2

DROP THE G'S

MORNING BECOMES MORNIN',
WALKING BECOMES WALKIN'.

3

DON'T USE 'YES' OR 'NO'. ANSWER WITH A VERB FORM INSTEAD.

4

SAY 'TO BE AFTER DOING' INSTEAD OF 'TO JUST HAVE DONE'.

I'M AFTER FINDING A EURO ON THE ROAD.

5

USE IRISH VOCABULARY

- YOKE: THING
- WHAT'S THE STORY: WHAT'S UP, WHAT'S GOING ON
- TO GIVE OUT: TO COMPLAIN

The Four Seasons

"Winter is coming."

GEORGE R.R. MARTIN, A GAME OF THRONES

"And so with the sunshine and the great bursts of leaves growing on the trees, just as things grow in fast movies, I had that familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer."

F. SCOTT FITZGERALD, THE GREAT GATSBY

"In summer, when the days are long, Perhaps you'll understand the song: In Autumn, when the leaves are brown, Take pen and ink, and write it down."

LEWIS CARROLL, ALICE IN WONDERLAND:
THE COMPLETE COLLECTION

"Spring is the time of year when it is summer in the sun and winter in the shade."

CHARLES DICKENS,
GREAT EXPECTATIONS

Do you know the answer to these riddles?

Why does the teacher wear sunglasses when she comes to the class?
Because the pupils are bright.

Why does everyone love cats?
Because they're purr-fect!

When the day after tomorrow is yesterday, today will be as far from Wednesday as today was from Wednesday when the day before yesterday was tomorrow. What is the day after this day?
Thursday

What begins with T, ends with T, and has T in it?
A teapot

Where do cows go with their friends?
The moooovies!

Alliterate away

Roll the dice! Comparatives and superlatives

START / FINISH				
		Desk	Book	Hair Dryer
		Tiny	Affordable	Restaurant
Flower	Large	Good, better, best. Never let it rest until your good is better and your better is best.	Far	Boat
Bird	Old		Amazing	Cow
Bread	High		Good	Calendar
Sofa	Relaxing		Unique	Musical

Apple	Expensive	**Rules of the game** Place two pieces on the start square. Roll the dice twice and move the pieces forward to have a noun and an adjective. Once you have a pair, compose a sentence using the superlative or the comparative. **Good luck!**	Comfortable	Clothes
Bookshelf	Cheap		Important	Brother
Pillow	Beautiful		Great	Teacher
Scissors	Short		Young	Juice
House	Long	Bad	Heavy	Bug
Pencil	Hanger	Love	Bed	Picture

A poem a day keeps the doctor away.

Try these poetry tools when making a poem!

PERSONIFICATION

GIVING HUMAN TRAITS TO NON-HUMAN OBJECTS

THE PENCIL DANCED ACROSS THE PAPER

METAPHOR

SAYING THAT ONE THING IS SOMETHING ELSE

HE IS THE APPLE OF MY EYE

IMAGERY

HELPING THE READER FORM A PICTURE IN THEIR MIND

THE FRESH AND JUICY ORANGE IS VERY COLD AND SWEET.

1-MINUTE MICROWAVE BROWNIE

COOKING MEASUREMENTS

1 tablespoon
=
3 teaspoons
=
15 grams

INGREDIENTS

3 TABLESPOONS FLOUR
3 TABLESPOONS BROWN SUGAR
3 TABLESPOONS COCOA POWDER
3 TABLESPOONS OIL
3 TABLESPOONS WATER
PINCH OF SALT
1/2 TEASPOON VANILLA EXTRACT
2 TSP CHOCOLATE CHIPS

INSTRUCTIONS

1. IN A MICROWAVABLE MUG, MIX TOGETHER ALL OF THE INGREDIENTS.
2. MIX IN THE CHOCOLATE CHIPS.
3. MICROWAVE FOR 45-60 SECONDS.
4. ALLOW TO COOL FOR AT LEAST 5 MINUTES.
5. SERVE WARM WITH VANILLA ICE CREAM & ENJOY!

Source: www.biggerbolderbaking.com

A party without cake is just a meeting

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thank a teacher
And...
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