



# Words used in university: Working on advanced vocabulary from home

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# The Vocabulary Lists



# The General (Service) List

- The most frequent 2000 words used in English
- This is basic vocabulary that everyone should have.

# The Academic Word List (AWL)

- 570 word families used in Academic English (the kind of English used in university)
- A word family is a collection of words with the same base (concept: conception, concepts, conceptualization, conceptual, conceptualize, etc.)
- None of the General Service List words are in here.
- Arranged in 10 sublists.

# Order of difficulty

- General vocabulary
- AWL sublist 1
- AWL sublist 2
- AWL sublist 3
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- AWL sublist 10

# Resources for learning vocabulary



# Vocabulary Log

- Better than flashcards
- Long term learning
- Use excel
  - Word
  - Definition
  - Part of speech
  - Original sentence (one that YOU make yourself)

# Sample Vocabulary Log

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with the following data:

A	B	C	D	E
Date	Word	Part of speech	Definition	Original Sentence
4/20/2020	analyze	verb	to study (something) closely and carefully	Dr. Furukawa likes to analyze what we say, so we know he's always paying attention.



# Vocabulary Website

- [www.englishvocabularyexercises.com](http://www.englishvocabularyexercises.com)
- General vocabulary exercises
- AWL sublist exercises
- Don't use a dictionary when answering the questions!

# Most IMPORTANT!

- PRACTICE, PRACTICE, PRACTICE!
- If you don't use these new vocabulary words by writing them and speaking them several times in real English sentences then you'll never really learn them!

See you when classes start!