

2 Possessions

PAGE 21

roller blade /ˈrəʊləˌbleɪd/ Noun

roller blades are shoes that have a line of wheels underneath

a pair of roller blades | Can I try your roller blades? | roller blades are not allowed in school

Verb: *roller blade* | Noun: *roller blader*

she roller bladed down the hill | the park is popular with cyclists and roller bladers

shelf /ʃelf/ Noun

a **shelf** is a flat surface attached to a wall or in a cupboard, which you can put things on

*a shelf of something | the top shelf | the bottom shelf
the batteries are on the bottom shelf | the shelves were full of tins of food | there are some towels on the top shelf in the bathroom | I need more shelves for my books | the shelves in the supermarket were nearly empty at the end of the day*

PAGES 22–23

armchair /ˈɑːm,tʃeə/ Noun

an **armchair** is a big comfortable chair with sides that you can rest your arms on

she's sitting in the armchair | a big leather armchair | a comfortable armchair | a blue armchair

blinds /blaɪndz/ Noun

blinds are things you use to cover a window and stop the light coming in or going out

the blinds are green | open the blinds and look outside | the blinds are stuck (they won't move and can't be opened)

carpet /ˈkɑːpɪt/ Noun

a **carpet** is a large piece of material that covers a floor

there's a blue carpet on the floor | don't spill your coffee on the carpet! | my dad bought this carpet in India

chair /tʃeə/ Noun

a **chair** is a piece of furniture that you sit on

a table and chairs | this chair is broken | an uncomfortable chair | we need another chair in here

computer /kəmˈpjʊ:tə/ Noun

a **computer** is a machine that stores information, videos, music, pictures etc., and that you use at school or at work

I've got over 2000 songs on my computer | How old is your computer? | a laptop computer | I watch TV programmes on my computer

cupboard /ˈkʌbəd/ Noun

a **cupboard** is a piece of furniture that you keep things in

*a kitchen cupboard | put it back in the cupboard
| a cupboard under the sink | the plates are in the cupboard | I found my shirt at the back of a cupboard
| she found some old photos in a cupboard*

curtains /ˈkɜːt(ə)nz/ Noun

curtains are large pieces of cloth that hang across a window to stop light coming in or going out

draw the curtains

the curtains are open | it was getting dark so I drew the curtains | she got out of bed and opened the curtains

desk /desk/ Noun

a **desk** is a table that you use to do work on in your office or classroom or at home

there's a computer and a phone on my desk | a wooden desk | an untidy desk | I put the magazine on your desk

drawer /ˈdrɔːə/ Noun

a **drawer** is a part that you can push in and pull out of a piece of furniture, and that you use to keep things in

the top drawer | the bottom drawer

the knives and forks are in the top drawer | I keep my passport in the top drawer of my desk | have a look in the bottom drawer. It might be there

lamp /læmp/ Noun

a **lamp** is an object on a desk or table that gives out light

there's a lamp next to the computer | It's dark in here, can you turn on the lamp? | the lamp was broken

picture /ˈpɪktʃə/ Noun

a **picture** is a drawing, painting or photo that you put on the wall because it looks nice

there are two pictures on the wall behind my desk | the room will look nice once we put some pictures up | it's a picture of the mountains above Zakopane

plant /plɑːnt/ Noun

a **plant** is a living thing such as a tree or a vegetable

there's a plant next to the television | the garden is full of plants | house plants (plants that you grow in pots inside your home) | edible wild plants (that you can safely eat) | this very popular plant grows well indoors

rug /rʌg/ Noun

a **rug** is a small carpet

there's a rug in front of the window | a beautiful Turkish rug | it has the soft feel of a wool rug | a blue rug with blue cushions

sofa /'səʊfə/ Noun

a **sofa** is a long, soft chair that two or more people can sit on at the same time

there's a big sofa in the living room | they sat down on the sofa | we need to buy a new sofa | she lay on the sofa for a few minutes | a comfortable sofa | we sat on the sofa watching TV

television /'telɪvɪʒ(ə)n/ Noun

a **television** is a box that shows moving pictures on television

What's on television tonight? | I like watching television | a television set | a television programme | watching sport on television | we've got three televisions in the house

PAGES 24–25

boot /bu:t/ Noun

boots are big heavy shoes

a pair of boots | take your boots off before you come in | my boots are very muddy (covered in mud) | I need some new boots for the winter

bottle /'bɒt(ə)l/ Noun

a **bottle** is a container for liquids

a bottle of water | there's a bottle of milk in the fridge | an empty bottle | a glass bottle

camera /'kæm(ə)rə/ Noun

a **camera** is an object that you use to take photographs

I always take my camera when I go for a walk | an expensive camera | it's a very simple camera that's easy to use

climbing /'klaɪmɪŋ/ Noun uncount

climbing is the activity of climbing rocks or mountains for pleasure

we're going climbing in France next month | Do you enjoy climbing? | a climbing holiday | climbing is great fun

Verb: *climb* | Noun: *climber*

Edmund Hillary was the first person to climb Mount Everest | a group of mountain climbers

diving /'daɪvɪŋ/ Noun uncount

diving is the activity of swimming deep below the surface of the sea, usually wearing special equipment so that you can breathe while you are under the water for a long time

I tried diving on holiday last year, but I didn't like it | we spent most of the afternoon diving near the coral reef | diving equipment is very expensive

Verb: *dive* | Noun: *diver*

the deepest I've ever dived is 200 feet | two of the divers needed help to get back onto the boat

first-aid kit /'fɜ:steɪd ,kɪt/ Noun

a **first-aid kit** is things like plasters and medicines that you keep in case someone has an accident and gets hurt or feels ill

take a first-aid kit if you're going up the mountain | there's a first-aid kit in the cupboard | Have you got a first-aid kit? | always keep a first-aid kit in your car

glove /glʌv/ Noun

gloves are pieces of material that you wear on your hands to keep them warm when it is cold outside

a pair of gloves | he took his gloves off and put them in his pocket | don't forget your gloves – it's cold outside | leather gloves | she was wearing gardening gloves (to protect her hands and stop them getting dirty)

hat /hæt/ Noun

a **hat** is a piece of clothing that you wear on your head

take your hat off | I don't like wearing hats | a fur hat

kayaking /'kaɪækɪŋ/ Noun uncount

kayaking is the activity or sport of using a kayak (a boat like a canoe that you use with a single paddle)

we'd never been kayaking before, and it was great fun | kayaking is easy to do even if you have no experience | kayaking is very good exercise

knife /naɪf/ Noun

a **knife** is a sharp tool that you use to cut things

cut the string with a knife | a pocket knife (that you can carry around with you) | be careful with that knife! It's sharp

laptop /'læp,tɒp/ Noun

a **laptop** is a computer that you can carry around with you. **Laptops** can fold when you are not using them so the screen covers the keyboard to make them easy to carry

I dropped my laptop and broke it | I bought a new laptop last week | he shut down his laptop and put it in the desk drawer

map /mæp/ Noun

a **map** is an image of an area that shows you where roads, hills, mountains, etc. are

a map of Scotland | Can you show me your street on the map? | I'll never find it without a map | a street map of London (giving the names of all the streets) | a tourist map | Can you read a map? | the map shows how high the hills are

pen /pen/ Noun

a **pen** is something that has ink in it and that you use to write with

write your answers with a pen | Can I borrow your pen? | don't forget to take a pen for your exam | I lost my pen in school today

torch /tɔ:tʃ/ Noun

a **torch** is an object you can carry with you and that gives out light

my torch isn't working any more | a powerful torch | Kerstin shone the torch straight into his eyes | it's a useful app that turns your phone into a torch

PAGES 26–27**Belgian** /ˈbeldʒ(ə)n/ Adjective

someone or something that is **Belgian** comes from Belgium

Brussels is the Belgian capital | Belgian beer | Simenon was a Belgian writer | a box of Belgian chocolates

Brazilian /brəˈziːliən/ Adjective

someone or something that is **Brazilian** comes from Brazil

I like Brazilian coffee | the Brazilian football team | the Brazilian government | her mother is Brazilian

British /ˈbrɪtɪʃ/ Adjective

someone or something that is **British** comes from Britain

a British car | the British government | a British citizen | the British Embassy in Paris

Dutch /dʌtʃ/ Adjective

someone or something that is **Dutch** comes from the Netherlands

the Dutch hockey team | Rembrandt is probably the most famous Dutch painter | the Dutch government | they sell Dutch cheese in my local shop

English /ˈɪŋɡlɪʃ/ Adjective

someone or something that is **English** comes from England

the English football team | his mother is English but his father is French | Shakespeare is the most famous English writer | English literature

French /frentʃ/ Adjective

someone or something that is **French** comes from France

French food is very good | Paris is the French capital | a shop selling French cheese | the French flag

PAGES 28–29**advert** /ˈædvɜːt/ Noun

an **advert** is a short piece of text, often with a picture, or a short film on TV that tries to make people want to buy a particular product

I saw an advert for it on TV | there are too many adverts on TV | the great thing about the BBC is that there are no adverts | a front page advert in a national newspaper | an advert for a new smartphone

bad /bæd/ Adjective

something that is **bad** is not good

that's a bad idea | this bike is very bad at cycling through mud | burning coal is bad for the environment

expensive /ɪkˈspensɪv/ Adjective

something that is **expensive** costs a lot of money

an expensive watch | I like expensive clothes | it's a good restaurant, but too expensive for us | an expensive meal | that's a nice dress – was it expensive? | it was very expensive to take a taxi to the airport

Opposite: Adjective: *cheap*

a cheap hotel | tickets for the concert were quite cheap

large /lɑːdʒ/ Adjective

something that is **large** is quite big

he lives in a large flat in Hampstead | I need a pullover, a large one | London is a very large city | What's the largest size of shoes you sell?

medium /ˈmiːdiəm/ Adjective

something that is **medium** is not large and not small but between the two in size

What size coat do you want? Medium or large? | the shirts are available in medium or large size | a medium-sized cup of coffee

modern /ˈmɒdən/ Adjective

something that is **modern** is new and fashionable

her house is very modern | they have a lot of modern furniture | modern computers are very powerful | people are living longer thanks to modern medicine

old /əʊld/ Adjective

something that is **old** is not new. Someone who is **old** is not young

an old car | the cathedral is very old | they're going to build a modern laboratory to replace the old one | my grandfather is a very old man

one /wʌn/ Pronoun

you use **one** when you referring to something you have already named

I'd like one of those envelopes, please. A green one | those are the ones I was telling you about | I tried to buy a new jacket but I couldn't find one that I liked

rucksack /ˈrʌk.sæk/ Noun

a **rucksack** is a large bag that you carry on your back, for example when you are on a walking holiday
leave your rucksack in the tent | my rucksack was absolutely full | I could see her brightly-coloured rucksack from a long way away | a waterproof rucksack

slow /sləʊ/ Adjective

something that is **slow** does not move or work fast

my computer is very slow | my car is very slow at getting up hills | we're making very slow progress at the moment

Adverb: *slowly* || Opposite: Adjective: *fast*

the bus came slowly round the corner | she likes driving fast cars

small /smɔːl/ Adjective

something that is **small** is not big

a small sofa for two people | Cambridge is quite a small city | his feet are very small | a small café | she was carrying a small dog | the hotel was nice but the rooms were rather small

useful /ˈjuːsf(ə)l/ Adjective

something that is **useful** is good and can do things you want it to do

these shelves are very useful | there's plenty of useful information on the Internet | these pockets are useful for keeping money in | she gave me some very useful advice

useless /'ju:sləs/ Adjective

something that is **useless** does not work properly
my computer is very slow - it's completely useless | our tent was useless. It let in water every time it rained | the camera is useless at taking photos in the dark

PAGES 30–31

apartment /ə'pɑ:tmənt/ Noun

an **apartment** is a group of rooms on one floor of a building, where someone lives. The usual British word is **flat**

we shared an apartment in Gas Street | a two-bedroom apartment in Paris | a city-centre apartment | there's an apartment for sale in the next building

forward /'fɔ:wəd/ Verb

if you **forward** a letter or parcel to someone, you send it to them after it has been delivered to an address where they no longer live

Can you forward this to the people who lived here before you? | the envelope arrived here, but it said "Please forward" at the top | I don't know his new address, but I'm sure they'll forward his letter

good luck /'gʊd,lʌk/ Phrase

you say "**Good luck**" to someone to tell them you hope they will be successful in something they are about to try and do

Good luck with your exam | we all said good luck to her when she left to take her driving test | are you starting your new job tomorrow? Good luck

letterbox /'letə,bɒks/ Noun

a **letterbox** is a hole in the door of a house or flat where letters can be delivered

my new passport just came through the letterbox | the envelope was too big to fit through the letterbox

miss /mɪs/ Verb

if you **miss** someone or something, you are sad because you are away from them and you will not see them for a long time

Did you miss me? | I really missed my dog when I went on holiday | You'll miss me when I'm gone! | one thing I didn't miss when I left school was maths lessons

package /'pækɪdʒ/ Noun

a **package** is a box or large letter that is sent by mail and delivered to someone's house

a large package arrived for me | I was expecting another package this morning | I'll send the package to your home address | What's in the package? | she opened the package and found a new phone

REVIEW PAGE 32

currency /'kʌrənsɪ/ Noun

a country's **currency** is the money that is used there. For example, the currency of the USA is the dollar
the single European currency, the euro | banks were selling sterling (the currency of the UK) and buying foreign currency

dollar /'dɒlə/ Noun

the **dollar** is the unit of currency used in the USA and some other countries. The symbol for it is \$

a ten dollar bill (a bank note worth \$10) | a pound is worth about one dollar thirty five cents | it cost me \$40 to get a taxi here

euro /'jʊərəʊ/ Noun

the **euro** is the unit of currency used in 19 European countries. The symbol for it is €

the concert tickets were one hundred euros each | £1 is about €1.13 | they use the euro in Germany

money /'mʌni/ Noun uncount

money is the coins and bank notes that you can use to buy things

I forgot to bring any money with me | Have you got enough money for the train ticket? | How much money have you got? | it costs a lot of money to fly to Australia | my old car isn't worth much money

pound /paʊnd/ Noun

the **pound** is the unit of currency in the UK. The symbol for it is £

a pound is worth about \$1.35 | I paid ten pounds for the book | a one pound coin | a ten pound note