



Notes



# Vocabulary 2

Learn the following words and then answer the questions.

- 1. **Stable** (n.): a building designed for keeping horses in, a shed or farm building which houses animals.

The ponies shared their stable with a donkey and a few chickens.

- 2. **Static** (adj.): fixed, unchanging, constant, steady.

A static caravan remains in one place whereas a touring caravan can be towed by a car and taken to different destinations.

- 3. **Vertical** (adj.): upright, perpendicular, straight, on end.

The mountaineer attempted to climb the sheer, vertical cliff in record time.

- 4. **Mallet** (n.): a hammer which has a chunky, often wooden head, a long-handled stick with a head like a hammer, used in some sports.

Leo hammered in the tent pegs with a large mallet.

- 5. **Democracy** (n.): a form of government in which power is held by elected representatives.

In a modern democracy, those who govern are elected fairly by the people.

- 6. **Birthright** (n.): inheritance, heritage, a right.

Prince Frederik believed that it was his birthright to become king of Denmark one day.

- 7. **Indigo** (adj.): a colour between blue and violet on the spectrum, deep blue, navy blue.

Mum said she could not tell if my dress was indigo or purple, as the shades were so similar.

- 8. **Forgo** (v.): do without, renounce, abandon, relinquish.

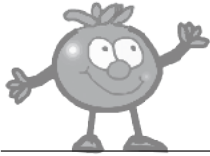
Barney had to forgo his turn on the computer game as it was time for his piano lesson.

- 9. **Geometric** (adj.): relating to geometry; having a regular pattern, lines or shapes.

The tiles on the bathroom floor were laid in a geometric pattern of triangles.

- 10. **Braille** (n.) A form of written language for blind people, where letters are represented by patterns of raised dots that are felt with the fingertips.

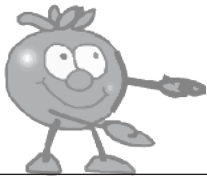
The lift buttons were depicted in braille for visually impaired people.



# Synonym Exercise A

Write the word from the vocab list which is most **similar** in meaning next to each word listed below.

1. Shed .....
2. Fixed.....
3. Upright.....
4. Hammer.....
5. Government.....
6. Inheritance .....
7. Deep blue.....
8. Renounce .....
9. Patterned.....
10. Writing system .....

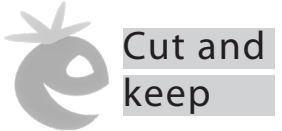


## Exercise B

Write the most suitable word from the vocab list in the spaces below. You might need to change the form of the word; for instance, walk might become walked.

1. The Harry Potter novels have been published in ..... for blind readers.
2. The workers went down into the mine on a ladder inside a ..... shaft.
3. All colours of the spectrum – red, orange, yellow, green, blue, ..... and violet – can be seen in a rainbow.
4. Intricate ..... patterns could be seen on the ancient temple walls.
5. The people replaced the corrupt, old political system with a .....
6. Gerry had left the door to the ..... open, so the horses escaped.
7. Some people say that education should be every child's .....
8. Although they had been expected to increase, house prices in the area remained ..... for many months.
9. Amir's wooden ..... knocked the croquet ball through the hoop.
10. Stan decided to ..... a slice of cake as he had already eaten two muffins and did not want to appear greedy.

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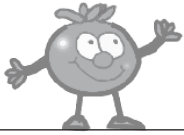
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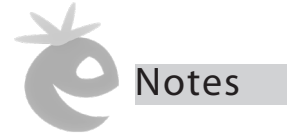
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# Vocabulary 15

Learn the following words and then answer the questions.



1. **Harass** (v.): to pester, to aggressively pressure, to bother, to harry.  
 Although Sebastian Vettel was leading the race, Lewis Hamilton was on his tail, harassing him.
  
2. **Empower** (v.): to give someone confidence, to give power to someone, to encourage.  
 Education is the best way to empower all children to follow their dreams.
  
3. **Commonplace** (adj.): not unusual, ordinary, expected, unremarkable.  
 An oven, kettle and knives are commonplace items found in every kitchen.
  
4. **Concur** (v.): to agree, to be of the same opinion, to be in accord.  
 Sally's statement will concur with mine; we completely agree about the events that took place.
  
5. **Farewell** (n.): an act of parting, a goodbye, send-off.  
 The whole family turned up to bid farewell to Adeyinka when he set off for university.
  
6. **Invent** (v.): to create, to design, to make, to fabricate, to make up.  
 One day someone might invent an everlasting light bulb.
  
7. **Certificate** (n.): an official document attesting to a fact, document, proof.  
 After finishing his training course, Tom was awarded a certificate to prove that he had attended.
  
8. **Fraternal** (adj.): brotherly, familial.  
 The Murray brothers have a strong fraternal bond on the tennis court.
  
9. **Artificial** (adj.): made by human beings, unnatural, false, fake.  
 The artificial fabric had the texture and appearance of silk.
  
10. **Isolated** (adj.): far away, remote, alone, cut off.  
 Several mountain villages have been left isolated by the heavy snowfall.

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# Exercise C

Select the most suitable word from the choice provided.

1. The crowd .....ed the politician with shouts, boos and jeers as he left the court.

- a. empower      b. harass      c. commonplace

2. Many scientists worked together to ..... an improved antibiotic.

- a. invent      b. certificate      c. farewell

3. Alexa is a helpful home device which uses ..... intelligence to fulfil tasks.

- a. isolated      b. artificial      c. concur

4. The three brothers did not have a strong ..... relationship and they often argued.

- a. farewell      b. harass      c. fraternal

5. Nelson Mandela and Martin Luther King fought to ..... their nations into making positive changes.

- a. empower      b. certificate      c. invent

6. Some people believe that it will soon be ..... for people to travel to the moon.

- a. isolated      b. harass      c. commonplace

7. The two historical sources ..... so we can assume that they are both genuine.

- a. concur      b. fraternal      c. artificial

8. I lost my ..... which confirmed the grades I had received in my GCSEs.

- a. invent      b. certificate      c. empower

9. Lisa was disappointed that Elyse did not say ..... when she departed for the summer holidays.

- a. farewell      b. harass      c. commonplace

10. Ricky felt ..... at school because he did not have many friends and was often alone.

- a. fraternal      b. artificial      c. isolated

# Vocab 15



Cut and keep

