Pozn. The original exercises are found in the Manual.

REVISION EXERCISES U1-12

1. Verbs

POSE/PRESENT, UNDERMINE, EARN, WAX, ADJUST, FUND, ESTABLISH

- 1. Sometimes it's difficult to **earn** trust and **establish** good business relationships in this country.
- 2. Please adjust the pace of your delivery to reflect what the audience is used to.
- 3. He was **waxing** lyrical in a classroom on what happens in a business environment without having the first hand experience himself.
- 4. In India more and more people will have to start working early and **fund** their own education due to increasingly higher education costs.
- 5. The arrival of big multinational companies is **undermining** virtues such as loyalty, hierarchy and discipline.
- 6. These **pose/present** a mortal threat to the country's continued expansion.

SEE, FILE FOR, STAVE OFF, WRITE OFF, JACK IN, PRESIDE OVER

- 7. The company **staved off** collapse last year thanks to a restructuring in banks and bondholders agreed to **write off** most of the company's debt.
- 8. The year 2005 **saw** a massive decrease in investment activity.
- 9. Yesterday they **filed for** bankruptcy protection.
- 10. The Czech Republic **is presiding over** the EU now.
- 11. He **jacked in** his job and became self-employed.

DECLARE, TAP OUT, MINIMIZE, BIND, TOUT FOR, SOLICIT FOR, TAP INTO, BE RENOWNED, WHIP UP, GO

- 12. Sometimes consultants resort to using risky strategies like **touting for** business from clients in whose offices they're currently working.
- 13. Anybody can set up their own business and **solicit for** work.
- 14. The professional code will **minimize** the chances of an assignment **going** wrong.
- 15. Members of this institute are bound by a professional code of conduct.
- 16. Traditional sources of revenue have been largely **tapped out**. There is an urgent need to find new alternatives.
- 17. Companies try to **whip up** investors' enthusiasm with ambitious growth plans.
- 18. This company is renowned for its ability to tap into new areas of growth.
- 19. In 2000 the company reported a mammoth loss and **declared** bankruptcy.

2. Wordformation

- 1. These issues set the stage for communication difficulties and potential **misuderstandings**. /UNDERSTAND/
- 2. It's the most **comprehensive** and **authoritative** book on the issue. /COMPREHEND, AUTHORITY/
- 3. These are all ripe areas for **misinterpretation** and irritation. /INTERPRET/

- 4. The **lecturer** made a few serious mistakes in the speech **delivery**./LECTURE, DELIVER/
- 5. This is not a tax-**deductible** item. /DEDUCT/
- 6. She didn't manage to finish the research so the impact of her work will be **insignificant**. /SIGNIFY/
- 7. Allow the other person to finish her/his **response** or **contribution** without interrupting. /RESPOND, CONTRIBUTE/
- 8. It's been **pleasure** talking to you. /PLEASE/
- 9. The **appraisees** are having an **appraisal** meeting with their line managers. /APPRAISE, APPRAISE/
- 10. The university won **recognition** from other **prestigious** education **providers**. /RECOGNISE, PRESTIGE, PROVISION/
- 11. We talked in strict **confidence** about the issue. This is a sensitive matter. /CONFIDE/
- 12. Instructors become **facilitators** and mentors. /FACILITATE/
- 13. We need to improve the **accountability** of the board to shareholders. /ACCOUNT/
- 14. One effect of **deregulation** in the industry has meant that it is now not **obligatory** for companies to purchase from any one source. /DEREGULATE, OBLIGE/
- 15. Choose your words **carefully**. A **misused** word can lose you **credibility**. /CARE, USE, CREDIBLE/
- 16. They are **hostile** and feel **suspicious** about why calls are recorded. /HOSTILITY, SUSPECT/
- 17. Here is some **representative** feedback. /REPRESENTATION/
- 18. We have **consistently outperformed** our larger rivals. /CONSISTENT, PERFORM/
- 19. The position is for four months to cover **maternity** leave. /??MOTHER/
- 20. He is our most **knowledgeable** consultant. /KNOW/
- 21. They stopped using it gradually. /GRADE/
- 22. He specializes in **succession** planning. /SUCCEED/
- 23. Mr Smith's **successor,** Mr Simpson decided to diversify into electrical **appliances**. /SUCCEED, APPLY/
- 24. They are not going to be granted any **concessions.** /CONCEDE/
- 25. It was an example of contractual failure. /CONTRACT, FAIL/
- 26. Written contracts should also include fees and deliverables. /DELIVER/
- 27. The problem is the test can draw **inaccurate, misleading** or even damaging **conclusions.** /ACCURACY, LEAD, CONCLUDE/
- 28. The market is becoming increasingly competitive. /INCREASE, COMPETE/
- 29. They have the cheak to ask for huge fees for **substandard** work. /STANDARD/
- 30. Finding a new source of **growth** is very difficult. /GROW/
- 31. Was it **distraction** that caused Swissair's **punctuality** and baggage handling to **worsen**, hurting business, and its **investments** in the world's more **marginal** airlines to prove an **additional** drag on its finance? /DISTRACT, PUNCTUAL, WORSE, INVEST, MARGIN, ADD/
- 32. Companies are moving away from large **economies** of scale. /ECONOMICS/
- 33. Unfortunately he is very **unlikely** to get the job. There are other excellent **applicants.** /LIKE, APPLY/
- 34. You need to put **emphasis** on important words. /EMPHASIZE/
- 35. Send them a second **reminder** letter. /REMIND/