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Word	Definition	Example	Translation
abandon /abændən/	to leave a place, especially because it is difficult or dangerous to stay there. verb [transitive]	Most of the villagers have abandoned their homes and fled.	
accommodate /aˈkɒməˌdeɪt/	to provide a place or room for someone to stay in. verb (transitive)		
administrative /ədˈmɪnɪstrətɪv/	relating to the management of a company, organization, or institution. adjective		
adult /ˈædʌlt/	someone who is no longer a child and is legally responsible for their actions. noun [count]		
afford /əˈfɔː(r)d/	if you can afford something, you have enough money to be able to pay for it. This word usually follows 'can', 'could', or 'be able to'. verb (transitive)	The company simply cannot afford to pay overtime.	
<b>aged</b> /ലൻൂർ/	someone who is aged 18, 35, 70 etc is 18, 35, 70 etc years old. adjective [never before noun]		
agency /ˈeɪʤ(ə)nsi/	an organization that deals with social problems. noun [count]		
<b>amenity</b> /əˈmiːnəti/	something that makes it comfortable or enjoyable to live or work somewhere. noun [count] [usually plural]	parks, shops, and other local amenities	
antibiotic /ˌæntibaɪˈɒtɪk/	a drug that cures illnesses and infections caused by bacteria. Doctors often give people a course of antibiotics, when they have to take a fixed amount of medicine each day for several days. noun [count]		
assimilate /əˈsɪmɪˌleɪt/	to feel that you belong to the new community that you have started to live in, or to make someone feel like this.  verb [intransitive/transitive]		
availability /əˌveɪləˈbɪləti/	<ul><li>1 the state of being able to be obtained or used. noun [count]</li><li>2 the state of not being too busy to do something.</li><li>noun [uncount]</li></ul>	Whether I take the job depends on the availability of child care.	
available /əˈveɪləb(ə)l/	able to be obtained, taken, or used. adjective [not usually before noun]	There is no money available for this project.	
average /ਕਾ(ə)ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹ/	the amount, level, standard etc that is typical of a group of people or things. noun [count/uncount]	Her performance in the test was way below average.	
balanced /bælanst/	with all parts combining well together or existing in the correct amounts. adjective		
basic /beisik/	basic products and services are ones that everyone needs such as food, medicine, and fuel. adjective		
<b>billion</b> /biljan/	the number 1,000,000,000. number		
birth /bɜː(r)θ/	the occasion of a baby being born. noun [count/uncount]	children who have medical complications at birth	
birth rate /ˈbɜː(r)θˌreɪt/	the official number of births in a particular year or place. noun [count]		
blight /blast/	<ul> <li>1 a serious disease affecting plants and crops.</li> <li>noun (singular/uncount)</li> <li>2 something that damages or spoils something else.</li> <li>noun [singular/uncount]</li> </ul>	The threat of war cast a blight on their happiness.	
born /bɔː(r)n/	when a baby is born, it comes out of its mother's body and starts its life. The time when you are born is your birth, and a mother gives birth to a baby. adjective [never before noun]	I was born in Tokyo.	
breastfeed /brest,fi:d/	to feed a baby with milk from your breasts rather than bottle-feeding it. verb (intransitive/transitive)		

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breed /bri:d/	<ol> <li>if animals breed, they become the parents of young animals. verb [intransitive]</li> <li>to produce new plants or animals from existing ones, especially in order to produce plants or animals with particular characteristics. verb [transitive]</li> </ol>		
built-up /ˌbɪlt 'ʌp/	a built-up area has a lot of buildings in it. adjective		
bulldoze /ˈbʊlˌdəʊz/	to clear an area by removing earth, stones etc with a bulldozer (=a heavy vehicle with a large curved open container at the front). verb [intransitive/transitive]		
bustee /'bʌsti/	another spelling of basti, a slum. noun [count]		
bustee-dweller /'bʌsti ˌdwelə/	someone who lives in a bustee. noun (count)		
calculate /ˈkælkjʊˌleɪt/	to discover a number or amount using mathematics or with a piece of equipment such as a calculator. verb [transitive]	He calculates that the proposal would cost £4 million a year.	,,
capital (city) /ˈkæpɪt(ə)l/	capital or capital city the city where a country or region has its government. noun [count]	Tallahassee is the state capital of Florida.	
census /'sensəs/	an occasion when government officials count all the people in a country and record information about them. noun [count]		
century /'sentʃəri/	1 a period of 100 years, usually counted from a year ending in -00. For example, the 20th century is the period from 1900 to 1999. noun [count] 2 any period of 100 years. noun [count]		
childbearing /ˈtʃaɪldˌbeərɪŋ/	the process of being pregnant and giving birth to children. noun [uncount]	She was just a girl, hardly of childbearing age.	
<b>childhood</b> /ˈtʃaɪldˌhʊd/	1 the time of your life when you are a child. noun [count/uncount] 1a connected with childhood. adjective [only before a noun]	I had a wonderful childhood. childhood diseases	
cholera /ˈkʊlərə/	a serious disease affecting your stomach and intestines (=the long tube that carries waste out of your body) that often causes death. It is caused by drinking water or eating food infected with bacteria. noun [uncount]		
citizen /'sɪtɪz(ə)n/	someone who has the right to live permanently in a particular country. noun [count]	She married an American and became a US citizen.	,,,,,
citizenship /ˈsɪtɪz(ə)nʃɪp/	the legal right to be a citizen of a particular country. noun [uncount]	I'm applying for Canadian citizenship.	
civilian /səˈvɪliən/	someone who does not belong to the armed forces or the police. noun [count]	Over 700 civilians died as a direct result of the bombings.	
civil liberties /ˌsɪv(ə)1 'hbətis/	the basic freedom that all citizens have to do or say what they want. noun [plural]		
civil rights /,sɪv(ə)l 'raɪts/	the basic rights that all people in a society have, for example the right to be treated fairly by the law. noun [plural]		
class /kla:s/	one of the groups into which people in a society are divided according to education, income etc. noun [count/uncount]	lower/middle/upper class.	
classify /'klæsɪˌfaɪ/	to put people or things into particular groups according to the features that they have. verb [transitive]	In the study families are classified according to their incomes.	
classless /ˈklɑ:sləs/	<ol> <li>not divided into social classes adjective</li> <li>not belonging to a particular social class. adjective</li> </ol>		
colonize /ˈkɒləˌnaɪz/	to take control of another country by going to live there or by sending people to live there. verb [transitive]		
colony /ˈkɒləni/	a country that is controlled by another country. noun [count]		
commute /kəˈmju:t/	to travel regularly to and from work. verb (intransitive)	She commutes into London every day.	
concentration /ˌkɒns(ə)nˈtreɪʃ(ə)n	a large number of people or things in one area or a large / amount of a particular thing. noun [count/uncount]	This part of the city has a large concentration of immigrants.	
conquer /ˈkoŋkə(r)/	to take control of land or people using soldiers. verb [intransitive/transitive]		

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contagious /kənˈteɪʤəs/	a contagious disease spreads from one person to another through touch or through the air. adjective		
(t)/cyt(r)/	the part inside an object that is nearest its centre. noun [count]	These six countries are the geographical core of Western Europe.	
couple /ˈkʌp(ə)l/	two people who are married or involved in a romantic relationship with each other. noun [count]		
crowded /kraudid/	containing a lot of people, especially too many. adjective	The beaches are always crowded in summer.	
curable /ˈkjʊərəb(ə)l/	possible to cure. <b>adjective</b>		
<b>cure</b> /kjʊə(r)/	a medicine or treatment that makes someone who is ill become healthy. noun [count]	There's no cure for diabetes but the symptoms can be managed.	
death /de9/	<ul><li>1 the state of being dead. noun [uncount]</li><li>2 an occasion when someone dies. noun [count]</li></ul>	These people will starve to death unless they receive help soon. The programme is aimed at reducing the number of deaths from cancer.	
death rate /de0 ,reit/	the number of deaths in a particular area in one year. noun [singular]	the same of actins poin concer.	
<b>debt</b> /det/	1 an amount of money that you owe. noun [count] 2 the total amount of money that the government of a country owes to banks and to other countries that it has borrowed from. noun [uncount]	She had run up debts of nearly £10,000.	
decline /di'klam/	to become less or worse. verb [intransitive]	Share prices declined sharply last week.	
decolonization di:kolənarzerj(ə)n/	the process by which a colony becomes independent from the country that used to control it. noun [uncount]		
<b>lecreas</b> e 'di:'kri:s/	to become less. verb [intransitive]		
l <b>efine</b> dɪˈfaɪn/	<ul> <li>1 to describe clearly and exactly what something is.</li> <li>verb [transitive]</li> <li>2 to be a feature or quality that shows exactly what someone or something is like. verb [transitive]</li> </ul>		
lemand di'ma:nd/	the amount of a product or service that people want, or the fact that they want it. noun [uncount]	Demand for organic food is increasing.	
lemographic demo'græfik/	1 relating to populations. adjective 2 demographics: the particular features of a population, for example people's age or race. noun [plural]		
emographic ransition demə'græfik æn'zif(ə)n/	the process of the shift from high birth rates and high death rates to low birth rates and low death rates as part of the economic development of a country. noun [uncount]		
ense dens/	containing a lot of things or people close together. adjective		
ensity densati/	the amount of something in a place. noun [uncount]		
	a country that is controlled by another country. noun [count]		
li:popjʊˈleɪʃ(ə)n/	a situation in which a lot of people leave a place in order to live somewhere else, leaving far fewer people in the original place. noun [uncount]	the depopulation of the countryside	
escendant l'sendant/	a relative of a person who lived in the past. noun [count]		
liveləpiŋ/	1 a developing country is poor and does not have many industries. adjective 1a the developing world (=poor countries): agriculture in the developing world. adjective		
i'veləpmənt/	the process of improving the economy of a country or region by increasing the amount of business activity.	There has been massive economic development here over the past decade.	

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diarrhoea /ˌdaɪəˈriːə/	an illness in which you pass solid waste from your body too often and in a liquid form. noun [uncount]		
diet /ˈdaɪət/	the food that a person or animal usually eats. noun [count/uncount]	Many people there have a poor diet.	
dirty /ˈdɜ:(r)ti/	not clean. adjective		
disaster /dɪˈzɑːstə(r)/	something very bad that happens and causes a lot of damage or kills a lot of people. noun [count/uncount]	Protect your property from natural disasters such as flooding.	
distribution /ˌdɪstrɪˈbju:ʃ(ə)n/	the way in which something is spread over an area. noun [count/uncount]		
district /ˈdɪstrɪkt/	1 an area of a town or country. noun [count] 2 one of the areas into which a town or country is divided for official purposes. noun [count]		
diversity /darˈvɜː(r)səti/	the fact that very different people or things exist within a group or place. noun [singular] [uncount]	ethnic and cultural diversity	
dominate /ˈdɒmɪˌneɪt/	1 to control something or someone, often in a negative way, because you have more power or influence. verb [transitive] 2 to be the most important issue, activity, problem etc in a particular situation. verb [transitive]	He always dominates our meetings.  The earthquake once again dominated	
dysentery /ˈdɪs(ə)ntri/	a serious disease that affects your bowels and makes you go to the toilet very frequently and become very weak.  noun [uncount]	the news.	
elderly, the 'eldə(r)li/	old people. Many people now think that this expression is offensive. noun		
e <b>migrant</b> "emigrant/	someone who leaves their country in order to live permanently in another country. noun [count]		
e <b>migrate</b> "emigreit/	to leave a country in order to live permanently in another country. verb [intransitive]	I'm planning to emigrate to Australia.	
e <b>quality</b> i'kwolati/	the state of being equal, especially in having the same rights, status, and opportunities. noun [uncount]	equality between husband and wife.	
expand ik'spænd/	if a business, organization, or activity expands, it grows by including more people, moving into new areas, selling more products etc. verb [intransitive]		
explosion ik'splaug(a)n/	a very large increase in the size, amount, or importance of something over a very short period of time. noun [count]	a wage explosion	
acility fə'sıləti/	something such as a room or piece of equipment that is provided at a place for people to use. noun [count] [usually plural]	The hotel has excellent leisure facilities.	
amily blanning fæm(ə)li blænıŋ/	the practice of controlling the number of children that you have by using contraceptives (=drugs, objects, or methods that stop a woman becoming pregnant). noun [uncount]	a family planning clinic	
amine ˈfæmɪn/	a serious lack of food that continues for a long time and causes many people in a country to become ill or die. noun [count/uncount]		
<b>avela</b> fa:velə/	a poor area of a town in Brazil where the houses are in very bad condition. noun [count]		
ertility fɜ:(r)'tɪləti/	a woman's ability to have babies. noun [uncount]		
lourish flatij/	to grow well and be healthy. verb [intransitive]		
l <b>ow</b> 1əʊ/	the continuous movement of a line of vehicles or people. noun [count/uncount]	There was a steady flow of refugees leaving the country.	
uctuate flaktfu,ert/	to change frequently. verb [intransitive]		
oodstuff fu:d,staf/	a type of food. noun [count/uncount]		
ender gendə(r)/	1 the fact of being either male or female. noun [count/uncount]	The study examines gender roles in Latin America.	

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gradually /græʤuəli/	slowly and in small stages or amounts. adverb	She gradually built up a reputation as a successful lawyer.	
group /gru:p/	1 a set of people who meet or do something together because they share the same purpose or ideas. noun [count] [can be followed by a singular or plural verb]	She was a member of a right-wing political group.	
	2 a set of people, animals, or things that are considered together because they are similar in some way. noun [count] [can be followed by a singular or plural verb]	people from different ethnic and minority groups	
growth /grəυθ/	an increase in the number, size, or importance of something. noun [singular/uncount]	economic growth	
habitable /ˈhæbitəb(ə)l/	a place that is habitable can be lived in. adjective		
hardship //ha:(r)dfip/	1 a situation in which life is very difficult, usually because you do not have enough money. noun [count/uncount] 1a something that makes your life more difficult or unpleasant. noun [count/uncount]	Even slight rent increases would cause considerable hardship.	
<b>health care</b> /ˈhelθˌkeə(r)/	the services that look after people's health. noun [uncount]	Homeless people need better access to health care.	
HIV /etf at 'vi:/	human immunodeficiency virus: a virus that can cause Aids and is usually passed to someone else by having sex. noun [uncount]		
household income /ˌhaʊshəʊld ˈɪnkʌm/	the total money that all the people living in one home get from working or from investing money. noun [count/uncount]		
housing /ˈhaʊzɪŋ/	1 buildings for people to live in. noun [uncount] 1a connected with houses and other buildings that people live in. [only before noun]	There is a shortage of affordable housing.	
hygiene /ˈhaɪʤiːn/	the practice of keeping yourself and the things around you clean, in order to prevent illness and disease. noun [uncount]		
illiterate /ɪˈlɪtərət/	someone who is illiterate cannot read or write. adjective		
<b>immigrant</b> /ˈɪmɪɡrənt/	someone who comes to live in a country from another country. noun [count]		
immigration /ˌɪmɪˈɡreɪʃ(ə)rɪ/	the process in which people come to a country in order to live there permanently. noun [uncount]		
inadequate /inˈædɪkwət/	not enough, or not good enough for a particular purpose.  adjective	We are trying to provide basic education with inadequate resources.	
increase /in'kri:s/	<ul><li>1 to become larger in amount or number. verb [intransitive]</li><li>1a to make something become larger in amount or number.</li></ul>	Our costs increased dramatically over the last decade. We have managed to increase the	
-	verb [transitive]	number of patients treated.	
industrialization /mˈdʌstriəˌlaɪzeɪʃn/	the process of a country developing industries or making them more modern. noun [uncount]		
inequality /ˌmɪˈkwɒləti/	a situation in which people are not equal because some groups have more opportunities, power, money etc than others. noun [count/uncount]	social/economic/racial/sexual inequality	
infant mortality rate /'infant mo:,tælati reit/	the number of deaths of children under a year old in a particular society. It is expressed as the number of deaths out of every 1,000 live births. noun [count]		
infection /tn'fekf(ə)n/	the process of becoming infected with a disease. noun [uncount]	Breast milk can help protect babies against infection.	
infrastructure /ˈɪnfrəˌstrʌktʃə(r)/	the set of systems within a place or organization that affect how well it operates, for example the telephone and transport systems in a country. noun [count/uncount]		
inhabitant /inˈhæbɪtənt/	a person or animal that lives in a particular place. noun [count]	The city's first inhabitants arrived in the 16th century.	
in-migration /ˌɪn maɪˈɡreɪʃ(ə)n/	the movement of people into a different region of the same country or territory. noun [uncount]		

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inner city /ˌɪnəˈsɪti/	an area near the centre of a large city where a lot of poverty and other social problems exist. noun [count]	Suburban lifestyles are very different from those in the inner city.	
insufficient /ˌɪnsəˈfɪʃ(ə)nt/	not enough. adjective	The police had insufficient evidence to arrest him.	
	to not have any or enough of something you need or want. verb [transitive]	Many homes lack electricity and water supplies.	
	the length of time that someone is likely to live. noun [count/uncount]		
/ˈlaɪfˌstaɪl/	the type of life that you have, for example the type of job or house you have or the type of activity you like doing. noun [count/uncount]	a healthy, outdoor lifestyle	
literacy /ˈlɪt(ə)ɪəsi/	the ability to read and write. noun [uncount]	Teachers have been asked to concentrate on literacy and numeracy.	
literate /ˈlɪt(ə)ɪət/	able to read and write. adjective	Only 20 per cent of women in the country are literate.	
majority /məˈʤɒrəti/	the age at which someone legally becomes an adult. noun [uncount]	the age of majority	
malnourished /ˌmælˈnʌrɪʃt/	weak or ill because you do not eat enough or do not eat enough of the right foods. adjective	malnourished children	
malnutrition /ˌmælnjʊˈtrɪʃ(ə)n/	a medical condition in which you are weak or ill because you do not eat enough or do not eat enough of the right foods. noun [uncount]		
migrant /ˈmaɪgrənt/	someone who travels to another place in order to find work. noun [count]	migrant workers	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
migrate /mar'greit/	to go to another place or country in order to find work. verb (intransitive)		
migration /mai/greif(ə)ri/	the process by which people or animals migrate to another place or country. noun [count/uncount]		
mixed-race /,mikst 'reis/	involving people of different races. adjective	mixed-race marriage	
multicultural /ˌmʌltiˈkʌltʃərəl/	consisting of people of different cultures. adjective	Britain is a very multicultural society.	
multiracial /ˌmʌltiˈreɪʃ(ə)l/	involving people of many different races. adjective		
naturalize /ˈnætʃ(ə)rəˌlaɪz/	to make someone an official citizen of a country that they were not born in. verb [transitive]		
newborn /ˈnjuːˌbɔː(r)n/	1 recently born. adjective 2 a baby who has just been born. noun [count]	a newborn baby/lamb	
nomadic /nəʊˈmædɪk/	moving from place to place rather than staying in one place. adjective	a nomadic tribe	
nuclear family /ˌnjuːkliə ˈfæm(ə)li/	a family unit that consists of a mother, a father, and their children. noun [count]		
nutrition /nju:ˈtrɪʃ(ə)n/	<ul> <li>1 food considered as something that keeps you healthy.</li> <li>noun [uncount]</li> <li>2 the science of food and its effect on health and growth.</li> <li>noun [uncount]</li> </ul>	adequate/poor nutrition  He's studying Nutrition at university.	
old age /ˌəʊld ˈeɪʤ/	the period of time when you are old. noun [uncount]	More and more people are surviving into old age.	
optimistic /,opti'mistik/	someone who is optimistic is hopeful about the future and tends to expect that good things will happen. adjective		
out-migration /,aut mai/greif(ə)n/	the movement of people out of one community, region, or country in order to live in another. noun [uncount]		
overcrowded /,əʊvə(r)ˈkraʊdɪd/	containing too many people or things. adjective	Conditions in the camp are very overcrowded.	
overpopulation /,əʊvə(ɪ) ˌpɒpjʊˈleɪʃ(ə)n/	the state of there being too many people living in a place. noun [uncount]		



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peer group //prə/grutp/	a group of people of the same age, social class, or education. noun (count)		
per capita /paˈkæpɪtə.	based on calculations that show the average amount for each person affected, adjective	a rise in per capita income	
pessimistic /pesəˈmɪstɪk	thinking that the worst thing will happen in every situation. adjective	a pessimistic assessment of the overall situation	
population /popjo'leijtain	the number of people who live in a particular area. noun [count]	Los Angeles has a population of over 3 million.	
population density /popjoiler/com densati	the number of people per square kilometre of land area. noun [uncount]		
populous //popjolas	a populous nation, city, area etc has many people living in it. adjective		
prediction /priˈdɪkʃcəm	a statement about what you think will happen in the future, or the process of making such a statement. noun [count]	The government maintained its prediction that inflation will hold to 8.5% this year.	
proportion /pre'posjie in	a quantity of something that is a part or share of the whole. noun [count]		
prosperous //prosperios	rich and successful. adjective	With economic expansion comes the promise of a more prosperous future.	
push factor /'pof.fækter/	a force which acts to drive people away from a place (opposite = the pull factor). noun [count]		
quadruple /ˈkwɒdrʊp(ə)l	if a number or an amount quadruples, or if you quadruple it, it becomes four times bigger than it was. verb [intransitive/transitive]		
refugee /ˌrefjʊˈdʒiː:	someone who leaves their country, especially during a war or other threatening event. noun [count]	Thousands of refugees have entered the camps along the borders in recent days.	
resource /ri'zo:s/	1 something that you can use to help you to achieve something, especially in your work or study. noun [count] 1a something such as money, workers, or equipment that can be used to help an institution or a business. [usually plural] 1b things such as coal, trees, and oil that exist in nature and	We have launched an appeal to set up a new library and resource centre.  Many of these countries are rich in	
	can be used by people. [usually plural]  1 relating to people's health, especially to the system of	timber and mineral resources.  Overcrowding has now been added to	
sanitary /ˈsænətcəːri	supplying water and dealing with human waste. adjective  2 a sanitary process or method is one that keeps things healthy and clean, especially by killing bacteria. adjective	poor sanitary conditions. a simple sanitary procedure for dealing with household waste	
scattered //skæta(r)d:	spread over a large area. adjective	My relatives are scattered all over the country.	
scavenge //skævindg/	to search through things that other people have thrown away in order to see if there is anything that you want. verb [intransitive/transitive]		
senile //simail/	someone who is senile is confused, forgets things, or behaves in a strange way, because they are old. adjective		
settler //setla(r)/	someone who goes to live in a place where not many people live, and starts to make it into a community. noun [count]		
shanty town /ˈʃænti ˌtaʊn	an area where very poor people live in shanties (= badly built houses made from sheets of wood, metal, or other thin material). noun [count]		
shelter /'ʃeltə(r):	a temporary place to live for people who do not have their own homes, or for animals who have been treated in a cruel way. noun [count]	a women's shelter	
single parent /singl pearant	a parent who raises their children alone, without a partner. noun (count)		
slum /slam/	a poor area of a town where the houses are in very bad condition. noun [count] [often plural]		
sparse /spais/	existing in small amounts, or very spread out. adjective		
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squatter /'skwɒtə(r)/	someone who lives in a place without permission and without paying the owner. noun [count]		
stable /ˈsteɪbl/	not changing frequently and not likely to suddenly become worse. adjective	The economy is currently quite stable.	
starvation /sta:(r)'veɪʃ(ə)n/	a situation in which a person or animal suffers or dies because they do not have enough to eat. noun [uncount]	Millions are threatened by starvation and disease each year.	
stationary /ˈsteɪʃ(ə)n(ə)ri/	not moving. adjective		
transition /trænˈzɪʃ(ə)n/	the process of changing from one situation, form, or state to another. noun [count/uncount]	a transition period	
underdeveloped /ˌʌndə(r)drveləpt/	an underdeveloped country or region is poor and does not have modern industries or advanced technology. Many people consider this to be an offensive word, and prefer to use the word <i>developing</i> . adjective		
undernourished /ˌʌndə(r)ˈnʌɪɪʃt/	someone who is undernourished is not healthy because they do not get enough food. adjective		
underpopulated /ˌʌndə(r)ˈpɒpjuleɪtid/	an underpopulated area has very few people living in it, especially with the result that there are not enough people to do all the work. adjective		
undeveloped /ˌʌndɪˈveləpt/	an undeveloped country is poor and does not have modern industries or advanced technology. adjective		
unequal /ʌnˈiːkwəl/	not giving the same treatment or opportunities to everyone, and therefore unfair. adjective	Women claimed they were given unequal treatment.	
vaccine /ˈvæksiːn/	a substance put into the body, usually by injection, in order to provide protection against a disease. noun [count/uncount]		
workforce /'wɜː(r)kˌfɔː(r)s/	1 the total number of people who work in a particular company, industry, or area. noun [singular]  1a used in general about people who work. noun [singular]	The Government is encouraging women back into the workforce.	ı