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# www. **WORDSURFING**.co.uk Vocabulary Book

#### Introduction

This book is designed to help you to expand your vocabulary – and use it.

The step-by-step explanations of the method that follow will show you how to

- organise new words and phrases in your book.
- use your new vocabulary as soon as possible.
- avoid learning translations as much as possible.
- confirm your own improvement.

It is also possible to check your level and progress by regularly testing your vocabulary knowledge at

www.wordsurfing.co.uk.

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#### Method

Steps 1 & 2 are taken together at the beginning for each new word.

Step 1 – Enter "new words" (as shown in Example 1 on the next page)

- New words or phrases that you want to get to know are entered in the left-hand column.
- Words that you can immediately start to use are entered at the top of the column.
- Words that you can only remember by translation are entered at the bottom of the column.

Step 2 – Enter "connecting words 1" (also shown in Example 1 on the next page)

- A "connecting word" is any word that you already know that helps you to learn a "new word".
- Always try to start learning your "new words" together with "connecting words". This method will help you to use your new words immediately in simple sentences. For example

new word	connecting word	simple sentence
chair	sit	I am sitting on a chair

- Only enter one idea (one or more words) in the "connecting words 1" column during Step 2.
- If you cannot think of a "connecting word" at this stage then enter your "new word" in a space at the bottom of the page together with its translation in the "connecting words 1" column.

Steps 3 & 4 are taken after a vocabulary section is full of "new words" & "connecting words 1"

**Step 3** – "connecting words 2" (as shown in Example 2 on the next page)

• Try to enter a "connecting word 2" in the right hand column on each of the 4 pages in the section. For example:

new word	connecting words 1	connecting words 2
chair	sit	table (or wood / furniture etc)

Step 4 – "example sentences" (as shown below)

- Always enter an "example sentence" when you need to start learning "new words" by translation.
- Always enter an "example sentence" when you cannot enter a "connecting word 2".
- Choose to write an "example sentence" for any other words that you want to practise.
- Always use a good dictionary to find your "example sentence".

new words	sentences	
although	Although it is late I don't want to go to bed	

## Example 1

new words	conne	ecting words 1	connecting words 2
play	game		
close	open		
wheel	bicycle -	- two	
cheap	expensiv	e	
<ul> <li>other words that</li> <li>Starting to learn natural practice</li> <li>As your level imand more of you</li> <li>It is possible to but it should one</li> <li>"new w</li> <li>It is much more below – and it naturalstions.</li> </ul>	t may already be kn a such "new words and help you to av aproves you will be ar "new words". enter more than on by be one idea. e.g. word" heel difficult to find nat hay be easier for yo	re all have natural associown.(connecting words in this manner will give roid the use of translation able to find "connecting e word in the "connecting bicycle - but o start learning them eding translations at the	we you a lot of good ons. g words" for more ing words 1" column –  words 1  two  the words entered a together with
therefore	translat	ion	
however	translati	ion	

## Example 2

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2
play	game	tennis
close	open	door
wheel	bicycle - two	car - four
cheap	expensive	money - shop
<ul><li>You may be through val</li><li>It may not be</li></ul>	ready know several possible "connecting work e able to use them immediately – and get to kn luable practice with Step 1, Step 2 & Step3. the necessary to copy example sentences from s" above - but you may want to do so in orde cractice.	now them naturally a dictionary for the
to write in t	begin to start learning a word by translation in the "connecting words 2" column. I always enter an "example sentence" for thes	
therefore	translation	
however	translation	

#### Testing

Step 5. - "Testing"

- There are regular tests to check your knowledge of vocabulary from previous sections.
- When taking these tests, simply cover the "connecting words" columns and check your ability to **use** your new words.
- Any words that you cannot use should be entered again in the next section as "new words".
- Remember "If you don't **use** them, you'll lose them"

### Vocabulary Development

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#### How can you really improve your language skills?

Expanding your vocabulary is, without doubt, a vital part of learning a new language. The vocabulary pages that follow will help you to

- increase your vocabulary level quickly using an efficient strategy.
- start to think more and more in your new language.
- get a lot of valuable practice actually using your new vocabulary as soon as possible.
- avoid using translations as much as possible.
- check your increasing knowledge in a meaningful manner.
- identify those words that need more practice in order to be fully known.

In short, the vocabulary development strategy you are about to use is all about "learning by doing".

**Remember**: It is also possible to check your progress by regularly testing your vocabulary in the pdf files of "Word Surfing Tests" which can be freely downloaded from the web site.

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new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Step 3 Try to enter a second "connecting word" in the right hand column on each of the 4 pages in section 1.
- Step 4 Write example sentences for all "new words" (i) with a translation (ii) without a "connecting word 2" and (iii) any other words that you want to practise.

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## new words sentences


new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Test pages 1 & 2. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

- *Test pages 3 & 4.*
- Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

- Step 3 Try to enter a second "connecting word" in the right hand column on each of the 4 pages in section 2.
- Step 4 Write example sentences for all "new words" (i) with a translation (ii) without a "connecting word 2" and (iii) any other words that you want to practise.

Section 2	
new words	sentences

new words	sentences


new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

- Test pages 7 & 8. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

- Test pages 9 & 10. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Step 3 Try to enter a second "connecting word" in the right hand column on each of the 4 pages in section 3.
- Step 4 Write example sentences for all "new words" (i) with a translation (ii) without a "connecting word 2" and (iii) any other words that you want to practise.

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Section 3	
new words	sentences

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Test pages 13 & 14. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Test pages 15 & 16. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Step 3 Try to enter a second "connecting word" in the right hand column on each of the 4 pages in section 4.
- Step 4 Write example sentences for all "new words" (i) with a translation (ii) without a "connecting word 2" and (iii) any other words that you want to practise.

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new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

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- Test pages 19 & 20. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

- Test pages 21 & 22. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Step 3 Try to enter a second "connecting word" in the right hand column on each of the 4 pages in section 5.
- Step 4 Write example sentences for all "new words" (i) with a translation (ii) without a "connecting word 2" and (iii) any other words that you want to practise.

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new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

- Test pages 25 & 26. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

- Test pages 27 & 28, Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

- Step 3 Try to enter a second "connecting word" in the right hand column on each of the 4 pages in section 6.
- Step 4 Write example sentences for all "new words" (i) with a translation (ii) without a "connecting word 2" and (iii) any other words that you want to practise.

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new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Test pages 31 & 32. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

- Test pages 33 & 34. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

- Step 3 Try to enter a second "connecting word" in the right hand column on each of the 4 pages in section 7.
- Step 4 Write example sentences for all "new words" (i) with a translation (ii) without a "connecting word 2" and (iii) any other words that you want to practise.

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new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2

- Test pages 37 & 38. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Test pages 39 & 40. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Step 3 Try to enter a second "connecting word" in the right hand column on each of the 4 pages in section 8.
- Step 4 Write example sentences for all "new words" (i) with a translation (ii) without a "connecting word 2" and (iii) any other words that you want to practise.

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- Test pages 43 & 44. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Test pages 46 & 47. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2

- Step 3 Try to enter a second "connecting word" in the right hand column on each of the pages in section 9.
- Step 4 Write example sentences for all "new words" (i) with a translation (ii) without a "connecting word 2" and (iii) any other words that you want to practise.

Section 9	
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new words	sentences

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Section 10  new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2
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- Test pages 49 & 50. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

Section 10  new words	connecting words 1	connecting words 2
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- Test pages 51 & 52. Re-enter any difficult words as "new words" again on the following page.

new words	connecting words I	connecting words 2		

- Step 3 Try to enter a second "connecting word" in the right hand column on each of the 4 pages in section 10.
- Step 4 Write example sentences for all "new words" (i) with a translation (ii) without a "connecting word 2" and (iii) any other words that you want to practise.

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