

SUBURB (noun)

An area where people live that is outside the centre of a city.

He's got a beautiful house in a suburb of Dallas.

INTERIOR (noun)

The inside part of something.

I'm interior designer and I decorate people's homes and give them ideas for furniture and lighting.

RELAX (verb)

To rest while you are doing something enjoyable, especially after work or effort.

They never have much time to relax together.

CHEERFUL (adjective)

Happy, and showing it by the way that you behave.

I'm naturally a very cheerful person.

SENSITIVE (adjective)

Aware of and able to understand other people and their feelings.

Clown doctors are sensitive but this is not a side most people see.

CAFETERIA (noun)

A restaurant where you choose and pay for your meal at a counter and carry it to table.

At lunchtime we eat in the hospital cafeteria and that's really useful because we meet the nurses and doctors.

RESORT (noun)

A place where a lot of people go on holiday/vacation: seaside/ski/mountains resorts.

This is popular ski resort.

TRAINERS (noun)

A shoes that you wear for sports or as a piece of informal clothing.

We wear comfortable shoes or trainers.

SKILL (noun)

A particular ability or type of ability.

We just practice all of our football skills.

KIT (noun)

A set of clothes and equipment that you use for particular activity.

We all have a special kit.

TRACKSUIT (noun)

A warm loose pair of trousers/pants and matching jacket worn for sports practice or as informal clothes.

We wear tracksuits.

POINT (verb)

To stretch out your finger or something held in your hand towards somebody/something in order to show somebody where a person or thing is.

The woman pointed to a baby who was sitting and sucking a piece of sugar on the floor of a teepee.

SCREAM (verb)

To give a loud, high cry, because you are hurt, frightened, excited, etc.

He screamed.

VINE (noun)

A climbing plant that produces grapes.

A few months later the grapes started to appear on the vines.

TREASURE (noun)

A collection of valuable things such as gold, silver and jewellery.

There is a great treasure buried in the vineyard.

NECKLACE (noun)

A piece of jewellery consisting of chain, string of beads etc. worn around the neck.

They pictured boxes of gold coins, diamond necklaces, and other such things.

BLOW (verb)

To send out air from the mouth.

It was a difficult birth and to help him breathe, cigar smoke was blown into his nose.

SPOIL (verb)

To give a child everything that they ask for and not enough discipline in a way that has a bad effect on their character and behaviour.

He was the only son in the family, so he was thoroughly spoiled.

ALLOW (verb)

To let somebody/something do something; to let something happen or be done.

Sometimes he was allowed to help.

LIFELIKE (adjective)

Exactly like a real person or thing.

It was so beautiful and lifelike that he gave his son his palette and brushes and never painted again.

FEATURE (noun)

A part of somebody's face such as their nose, mouth and eyes.

Pictures with their features in the wrong places.

RECORD (verb)

To keep a permanent account of facts or events by writing them down, filming them, storing them in a computer, etc.

Guernica records the bombing.

HONOUR (verb)

To do something that shows great respect for somebody/something.

He was honoured by an exhibition.

SPILL (verb)

To accidentally flow over the edge of a container; to make liquid do this.

He accidentally spilled some paint on his pants.

FAILURE (noun)

The state of not working correctly or as expected; an occasion when this happens.

He died of heart failure during an attack of influenza.

STRICT (adjective)

Demanding that rules, especially rules about behaviour, should be obeyed.

His family was very strict and very religious.

ENCOURAGE (verb)

To give somebody support, courage or hope

He was encouraged in his work by the American writer.

FUTILE (adjective)

Having no purpose because there is no chance of success.

Another novel is about the futility of war.