VOCABULARY LIST

Key English Test (KET)
Key English Test for Schools (KETfS)
Introduction to the KET Vocabulary List

The KET Vocabulary List gives teachers a guide to the vocabulary needed when preparing students for the KET and KET for Schools examinations.

Background to the List

The KET Vocabulary List was originally developed by Cambridge ESOL in consultation with external consultants to guide item writers who produce materials for the KET examination. It includes vocabulary from the Council of Europe’s Waystage (1990) specification and other vocabulary which has been shown by corpus evidence to be high-frequency.

The list covers vocabulary appropriate to this level of English and includes receptive vocabulary (words that the candidate is expected to understand but which is not the focus of a question), and productive vocabulary (words that the candidate needs to know in order to answer a question).

The list does not provide an exhaustive list of all words which appear on the KET and KET for Schools question papers and candidates should not confine their study of vocabulary to the list alone.

How the List is Updated

The vocabulary of English changes over time, with words being added and other words falling into disuse. In order to maintain its currency, the list is updated on an annual basis by the addition and removal of words, using a corpus-based approach. Suggested additions to the wordlist are collated and the frequency of these words is obtained by reference to established corpora (electronic databases). The corpora in question represent receptive and productive language in general contexts. The main corpora used for the validation of the KET Vocabulary List are:

- the Cambridge Learner Corpus (CLC) which includes over 20 million words of written learner English;
- the British National Corpus (BNC) which includes 100 million words of written and spoken native speaker data.

Organisation of the List

- **Word sets**

  Some categories of words a learner at this level might be expected to know are not included in the alphabetical list but are listed separately. Words formed with common affixes, some compounds and words from some common word sets, e.g. days of the week are described below and in Appendix 1. Although some ‘grammar words’ (pronouns, modals, etc.) are included, the Language Specifications section of the KET and KET for Schools Handbooks (available from www.cambridgeesol.org) should be consulted for a more complete listing.

- **Exemplification**

  Example phrases and sentences showing how words might be used are given only where words with different meanings need to be constrained e.g. the use of bank is followed by ‘I changed my money in a bank’ i.e. is limited to the idea of a financial institution: candidates are not expected to know other meanings, such as ‘a river bank’.

- **Prefixes and Suffixes**

  A list of possible prefixes and suffixes is provided in Appendix 2, and these may be combined with the vocabulary items in the list as appropriate. Words with an affix which is not included in the appendix are listed separately in the alphabetical list.
• **Compound Words**
Compound words are not included in the list where both individual words are present and the meaning of the compound is literal and transparent, e.g. *coursebook, school children, shopping centre*.

• **Multi-word Verbs**
All multi-word (or phrasal) verbs that a KET or KET for Schools candidate might be expected to know are included in the list. These verbs include ‘literal’ verbs (i.e. where the meaning is transparent) e.g. *sit down, go out* and ‘non-literal’ verbs e.g. *look after, get up*.

• **Topic Lists**
In Appendix 3 words have been grouped together under common KET and/or KET for Schools themes, such as ‘House and Home’, ‘Work and Jobs’ and ‘Food and Drink’.

**Unsuitable Topics**
Cambridge ESOL examinations must not contain anything that might offend or upset candidates, potentially affect their performance or distract them during the examination. A number of ‘sensitive’ topics are considered unsuitable for use in KET and KET for Schools, for example, war and politics, and vocabulary relating to these is not included in the KET Vocabulary List.

**Personal Vocabulary**
The content of the KET Vocabulary List is general in nature and is unlikely to cover completely the productive vocabulary that may be required by candidates. Candidates should know the specific lexis they will need to describe themselves and their lives, for example, work, hobbies, likes and dislikes.

**Abbreviations**
Abbreviations used in the Vocabulary List are:

- **abbrev** abbreviation or acronym
- **adj** adjective
- **adv** adverb
- **Am Eng** American English
- **art** article
- **Br Eng** British English
- **conj** conjunction
- **det** determiner
- **exclam** exclamation
- **int** interjection
- **n** noun
- **phr v** phrasal verb
- **pl** plural
- **prep** preposition
- **prep phr** prepositional phrase
- **pron** pronoun
- **sing** singular
- **v** verb

**Summary of Points to be noted**
- The list does not include every word that may appear on a KET or KET for Schools paper.
- The list covers receptive and productive vocabulary.
- The list is updated every year.
A

a, an (art)
able (adj)
  • be able to
about (adv & prep)
  • What about a cold drink?
  • I have about £3. (adv)
  • a book about animals (prep)
above (prep)
act (v)
accident (n)
across (prep)
  • The bank’s across the road.
  • He walked across the bridge.
activity (n)
actor (n)
actually (adv)
add (v)
address (n)
adult (adj & n)
advanced (adj)
adventure (n)
advertisement (n)
aeroplane (n)
afraid (adj)
after (adv & prep)
afternoon (n)
afterwards (adv)
again (adv)
against (prep)
  • We watched England play against France.
age (n)
  • I don’t know his age.
ago (adv)
agree (v)
  • Yes, I agree with you.
  • Don’t you agree, Sam?
air (n)
  • to travel by air
airport (n)
all (det & pron)
all right/alright (adv)
amost (adv)
alone (adj & adv)
already (adv)
also (adv)
always (adv)
a.m. (adv)
amazing (adj)
ambulance (n)
among (prep)
and (conj)

angry (adj)
aminal (n)
another (det & pron)
answer (n & v)
any (det and pron)
anybody (pron)
anyone (pron)
anything (pron)
anyway (adv)
anywhere (adv)
apartment (n)
apple (n)
appointment (n)
  • an appointment with the doctor
area (n)
arm (n)
(a)round (adv & prep)
  • to travel around (adv)
  • to sit around the table (prep)
arrive (v)
art (n)
article (n)
  • an article about skiing
artist (n)
as (prep)
  • as good as
  • as soon as possible
  • the same as
ask (v)
assistant (n)
as well (adv)
as well as (prep phr)
at (prep)
at / @ (n)
  • My email address is david@cambridgeesol.org
at all (adv)
  • It doesn’t matter at all.
aunt (n)
autumn (n)
away (adv)
  • He’s gone away.
  • It’s two miles away.

B

baby (n)
back (n, adv & adj)
bad (adj)
bag (n)
ball (n)
banana (n)
band (n)
bank (n)
I changed my money in the bank.

She borrowed a book from the library.

Can I have my bill, please?

Just a small bit of cake, please.

The teacher’s writing on the (black/white)board.

I was born in Manchester.

I’ll call (phone) again later this afternoon.

He’s called John.
cow (n)
cream (n)
credit card (n)
cross (v)
  • Don’t cross the road here!
crossing (n)
  • Use the crossing to cross the street.
crossroads (n)
crowd (n)
crowded (adj)
cry (v)
  • The baby’s crying.
cup (n)
cupboard (n)
curtains (n)
customer (n)
cut (v)
cycle (v)

dinner (n)
dinosaur (n)
diploma (n)
dirty (adj)
disco (n)
discount (n)
dish (n)
  • Chicken and chips is my favourite dish.
do (v)
doctor (n)
dog (n)
dollar (n)
dolphin (n)
door (n)
dot (n)
  • dot com
double (adj)
  • a double room
down (adv & prep)
download (n & v)
  • I downloaded the songs from the internet. (v)
  • Can you get these as a download? (n)
downstairs (adv)
dragon (n)
draw (v)
drawing (n)
dream (n & v)
dress (n & v)
drink (n & v)
drive (v)
driving licence (n)
drum (n)
dry (adj & v)
during (prep)
DVD (n)
DVD player (n)

each (det & pron)
ear (n)
early (adj & adv)
earn (v)
east (n, adj & adv)
easy (adj)
eat (v)
egg (n)
electric (adj)
electricity (n)
elephant (n)
else (adv)
  • Anything else?
email (n & v)
empty (adj & v)
end (v & n)
engine (n)
enGINEER (n)
enjoy (v)
enough (det & pron)
enter (v)
  • Are you going to enter the poster competition?
  • Please enter through the side door.
entrance (n)
envelope (n)
euro (n)
even (adv)
evening (n)
ever (adv)
every (det)
everybody (pron)
everyone (pron)
everything (pron)
everywhere (adv)
examination/exam (n)
example (n)
  • Look at the example first.
  • for example
excellent (adj)
except (prepp)
xercise (n & v)
excited (adj)
exciting (adj)
excuse (v)
  • Excuse me!
exhibition (n)
  • art exhibition
exit (n)
expensive (adj)
explain (v)
explore (v)
  • When I travel, I love exploring new cities.
explorer (n)
  • This book’s about famous explorers.
extra (det & adj)

F

family (n)
famous (adj)
far (adv)
  • How far is the next garage?
farm (n)
fashion (n)
fast (adj & adv)
fast food (n)
fat (adj)
father (n)
favourite (adj)
feel (v)
  • to feel well
festival (n)
few (det & adj)
field (n)
fill (v)
fill in (phr v)
  • to fill in a form
film (n & v)
find (v)
fine (adj)
  • That’s fine!
  • I’m fine, thank you.
  • The weather is fine.
finish (v)
fire (n)
first (adv & adj)
  • First… then… (adv)
  • John came first. (adv)
  • first name (adj)
fish (n & v)
fit (adj)
flat (n)
flight (n)
floor (n)
  • The bedrooms are on the first floor.
  • Don’t leave your clothes on the floor.
flower (n)
fly (n & v)
fog (n)
foggy (adj)
follow (v)
food (n)
foot (n)
  • my right foot
football (n)
for (prep)
foreign (adj)
forest (n)
forget (v)
fork (n)
  • knife and fork
form (n)
• Fill in this form.
free (adj)
fresh (adj)
• fresh fruit
fridge (n)
fried (adj)
friend (n)
friendly (adj)
from (prep)
front (n)
  • in the front of the train
  • Stand in front of me.
fruit (n)
fry (v)
full (of) (adj)
fun (n)
funny (adj)
furniture (n)

G

game (n)
garage (n)
garden (n)
gas (n)
  • a gas cooker
gate (n)
get (v)
get fit (v)
get off (phr v)
  • to get off the bus
get on (phr v)
  • to get on the bus
get up (phr v)
  • to get up in the morning
girl (n)
give (v)
glad (adj)
glass (n & adj)
glasses (n pl)
go (v)
go out (phr v)
  • Are you going out this evening?
golf (n)
gold (n & adj)
good (adj)
goodbye (exclam)
gram(me) (n)
grandchild (n)
grand(d)ad (n)
granddaughter (n)
grandfather (n)
grandma (n)
grandmother (n)
grandpa (n)
grandparent (n)
grandson (n)
grape (n)
green (adj)
grey (adj)
grill (v)
grilled (adj)
group (n)
grow (v)
grow up (phr v)
guest (n)
guest-house (n)
guide (n)
guidebook (n)
guitar (n)
guy (n)
  • He’s a really nice guy.

H

hair (n)
hairdresser (n)
hairdryer (n)
half (n & pron)
hall (n)
hallo/hello! (exclam)
hand (n)
happen (v)
happy (adj)
hard (adj & adv)
  • hard wood (adj)
  • the homework was hard (adj)
  • to work hard (adv)
hat (n)
hate (v)
have (v)
have got (v)
have to (v)
he (pron)
head (n)
  • My head hurts.
health (n)
healthy (adj)
hear (v)
heart (n)
heating (n)
  • Can you turn the heating on?
heavy (adj)
  • a heavy blanket
help (v)
her (det & pron)
herself (pron)
here (adv)
hers (pron)
high (adj)
hill (n)
him (pron)
himself (pron)
hip hop (n)
his (det & pron)
hit (v)
hobby (n)
hockey (n)
hers (pron)
hot (adj)
hotel (n)
hour (n)
house (n)
how (adv)
hungry (adj)
hurry (v)
hurt (v)
husband (n)

instructions (n pl)
instrument (n)
insurance (n)
... car insurance
interested (adj)
interesting (adj)
international (adj)
internet (n)
into (prep)
invite (v)
island (n)
it (pron)
its (det)
itself (pron)

jacket (n)
jam (n)
... fruit jam
jeans (n pl)
job (n)
join (v)
journalist (n)
journey (n)
juice (n)
jump (v)
just (adv)
... I've just seen Tom.
... Just a moment.

keep (v)
... May I keep this?
... Keep right!
key (n)
keyboard (n)
... I play the keyboard in a band.
... The keyboard for my computer is broken.
kilo(gram[me]) / kg (n)
kilometre / km (n)
kind (adj & n)
... That's very kind of you.
... What kind of book do you want?
king (n)
kitchen (n)
kite (n)
knife (n)
know (v)
lake (n)
lamp (n)
language (n)
laptop (computer) (n)
large (adj)
last (adj & adv)
late (adj & adv)
  • The train is going to be late.
later (adv)
  • I’ll see you later.
laugh (v)
learn (v)
leather (n & adj)
leave (v)
  • The train leaves at 10 o’clock.
  • I left my bag in the cinema.
  • There isn’t any milk left.
left (n, adj & adv)
  • Go to the left. (n)
  • left hand (adj)
  • Turn left. (adv)
leg (n)
lemon (n)
lemonade (n)
less (adj, det, pron & adv)
lesson (n)
let (v)
letter (n)
level (n)
  • language level
library (n)
licence (n)
  • driving licence
lie down (phr v)
life (n)
lift (n)
  • Take the lift to the third floor.
light (n & adj)
like (v, prep & adv)
  • I’d like a drink. (v)
  • It’s like an orange but bigger. (prep)
  • What’s the weather like? (adv)
line (n)
  • draw a line
  • the next line
lion (n)
listen (v)
litre (n)
little (adj, det & pron)
live (v)
living room (n)

long (adj)
look (v)
  • You look happy.
  • Don’t look now!
look after (phr v)
look at (phr v)
look for (phr v)
look out (phr v)
  • Look out – it’s going to fall!
lorry (n)
lose (v)
  • We lost the game.
  • I’ve lost my passport.
lot (n)
  • a lot of homework.
lots (n)
loud (adj)
love (n & v)
lovely (adj)
low (adj)
luck (n)
lucky (adj)
luggage (n)
lunch (n)

machine (n)
magazine (n)
make (v)
make up (n)
man (n)
manager (n)
many (det, adj & prom)
map (n)
market (n)
married (adj)
match (n)
  • football match
matter (v)
  • It doesn’t matter.
maybe (adv)
me (pron)
meal (n)
mean (v)
meat (n)
mechanic (n)
medicine (n)
meet (v)
meeting (n)
member (n)
  • a member of a club
menu (n)
message (n)
metre (n)
middle (n)
  • in the middle
midnight (n)
mile (n)
milk (n)
million (n)
mind (v)
  • Do you mind if I close the window?
  • I don’t mind if…
  • Mind your head!
mine (pron)
mineral water (n)
minute (n)
mirror (n)
Miss (n)
miss (v)
mistake (n)
mobile (phone) (n)
modern (adj)
moment (n)
  • Just a moment.
money (n)
monkey (n)
month (n)
monthly (adj & adv)
moon (n)
more (adj, det, pron & adv)
morning (n)
most (adj, det, pron & adv)
mother (n)
motorbike (n)
motorway (n)
mountain (n)
mouse (n)
mouth (n)
move (v)
MP3 player (n)
Mr (n)
Mrs (n)
Ms (n)
much (adj, det, pron & adv)
mum(my) (n)
museum (n)
music (n)
musician (n)
must (v)
my (det)
myself (pron)

N
name (n)
national (adj)
nationality (n)
nature (n)
near (adv & prep)
nearly (adv)
neck (n)
need (v)
neighbour (n)
ever (adv)
new (adj)
news (n)
newsagent (n)
newspaper (n)
next (adj & adv)
next to (prep)
nice (adj)
night (n)
no (det & exclam)
nobody (pron)
no one (pron)
oisy (adj)
oon (n)
no one (pron)
one (pron)
normal (adj)
north (n, adj & adv)
nose (n)
not (adv)
note (n & v)
nothing (pron)
now (adv)
nowhere (adv)
number (n)
nurse (n)

O
occupation (n)
o’clock (adv)
of (prep)
of course (not) (adv)
off (adv)
office (n)
often (adv)
oil (n)
  • car oil
  • cooking oil
OK/okay (exclam)
old (adj)
omelette (n)
on (prep & adv)
once (adv)
  • only once
one (pron, det & num)
onion (n)
online (adj & adv)
only (adv & adj)
  • I only wanted to help.
  • the only one
open (adj & v)
opera (n)
opposite (prep)
or (conj)
orange (adj & n)
order (n)
other (det)
our (det)
ours (pron)
ourselves (pron)
out (adv)
outdoor (adj)
outdoors (adv)
outside (prep & adv)
over (prep & adv)
  • over 60 people (adv)
  • to travel all over the world (prep)
own (adj)
  • They cook their own meals.

pack (v)
  • pack a suitcase
page (n)
pain (n)
paint (v & n)
pair (n)
  • a pair of shoes
paper (n & adj)
pardon (exclam)
  • Pardon?
parent (n)
park (n & v)
parrot (n)
part (n)
  • the best part of the day
party (n)
pass (v)
  • You pass the station on the left.
  • to pass a driving test
passenger (n)
passport (n)
past (prep)
pasta (n)
pay (v)
pen (n)
pence (n pl)
pencil (n)
pencil case (n)
pen-friend (n)
penny (n)
people (n pl)
pepper (n)
per (prep)
perhaps (adv)
person (n)
pet (n)
petrol (n)
petrol station (n)
pharmacy (n)
phone (v & n)
photograph (n)
photography (n)
piano (n)
picnic (n)
picture (n)
piece (n)
  • a piece of cake
pillow (n)
pilot (n)
pink (adj)
pity (n)
  • What a pity!
pizza (n)
place (n)
plan (n & v)
plane (n)
  • The plane was late.
plant (n)
plastic (n & adj)
plate (n)
platform (n)
  • Your train leaves from Platform 8.
play (v & n)
  • to play football (v)
  • to play the guitar (v)
  • a play at the theatre (n)
playground (n)
pleasent (adj)
please (v & exclam)
  • I'm very pleased for you. (v)
  • Please be quiet!
p.m. (adv)
pocket (n)
point (v)
police (n)
police car (n)
police officer (n)
police station (n)
pool (n)
  • swimming pool
poor (adj)
pop (n & adj)
  • pop music
popular (adj)
possible (adj)
post (v & n)
  • to post a letter
  • What's in the post today?
postcard (n)
post office (n)
poster (n)
potato (n)
pound (£) (n)
practice (n)
  • football practice
practise (v)
  • You must practise if you want to play well.
prefer (v)
present (n)
  • a birthday present
pretty (adj)
price (n)
prize (n)
problem (n)
programme (n)
  • TV programme
project (n)
  • a school project
pull (v)
pupil (n)
purple (adj)
purse (n)
push (v)
put (v)
put on (phr v)
quiz (n)

R

race (n & v)
  • a running race (n)
  • She raced her brother to the bus stop. (v)
racket (n)
  • Can I borrow your tennis racket?
radio (n)
railway (n)
rain (n & v)
raincoat (n)
rash (n)
rather (adv)
  • rather old
read (v)
ready (adj)
  • When will it be ready?
real (adj)
really (adv)
receptionist (n)
red (adj)
reggae (n)
remember (v)
rent (v)
repair (v)
rest (n & v)
  • to have a rest
  • 'Try to rest', the doctor said.
restaurant (n)
return (n & v)
  • my return from holiday (n)
  • He returned home late. (v)
  • She returned her library books. (v)
rice (n)
rich (adj)
ride (n & v)
right (n, adj & adv)
  • He swam to the right. (n)
  • your right hand (adj)
  • That's the right answer. (adv)
  • Turn right here. (adv)
river (n)
road (n)
roast (v & adj)
rock (n)
  • rock concert
roof (n)
room (n)
  • a double room
round (adj)
roundabout (n)

Q

quarter (n)
  • a quarter of an hour
queen (n)
question (n)
quick (adj)
quiet (adj)
quite (adv)
  • Are you quite sure?
  • quite old
run (v)
sad (adj)
safe (adj)
sail (v)
sailing (n)
salad (n)

- for sale

salt (n)
same (adj & pron)
  - at the same time (adj)
  - Your watch is the same as mine. (pron)
sandwich (n)
save (v)
  - to save money
  - to save time

say (v)
school (n)
screen (n)
scooter (n)
sea (n)
seat (n)
second (n & adj)
secretary (n)
see (v)
sell (v)
send (v)
sentence (n)
several (adj & pron)
shall (v)

- a bed sheet
shelf (n)
ship (n)
shirt (n)
shoe (n)
shop (n & v)
shop assistant (n)
short (adj)
  - a short time
shorts (n pl)
should (v)
shout (v)
show (v & n)
  - Show me your photos. (v)
  - a film show (n)
shower (n)
shut (v)
sick (adj)
side (n)
  - this side of the room
silver (n & adj)

- Yours sincerely
sing (v)
single (adj)
sister (n)
sit (v)
sit down (phr v)
sitting room (n)
size (n)
skate (v)
skateboard (n)
ski (v)
skirt (n)
sky (n)
sleep (v)
slice (n)
slow (adj)
small (adj)
smoke (v)

- a film show (n)

- a bed sheet

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- a film show (n)

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- a film show (n)

- a bed sheet
**special (adj)**

**spell (v)**

**spend (v)**

**spoon (n)**

**sport (n)**

**sports centre (n)**

**spring (n)**

- I hate winter but I love spring.

**square (n & adj)**

**stadium (n)**

**staff (n)**

**stage (n)**

**stairs (n pl)**

**stamp (n)**

- Put a stamp on the envelope.

**stand (v)**

- She was standing at the bus stop.

**star (n & v)**

**start (v)**

**station (n)**

**stay (v)**

**steak (n)**

**steal (v)**

- Someone’s stolen my bag!

**still (adv)**

**stomach (n)**

**stop (n & v)**

**store (n)**

**storm (n)**

**story (n)**

**straight (adj)**

**straight on (adv)**

**strange (adj)**

- That’s a strange story!

**street (n)**

**strong (adj)**

**student (n)**

**studies (n pl)**

**study (v)**

**subject (n)**

- What’s your favourite subject at school?
- the subject of a talk

**success (n)**

**such (det & adj)**

**suddenly (adv)**

**sugar (n)**

**suit (n)**

- He was wearing a grey suit.

**suitcase (n)**

**summer (n)**

**sun (n)**

**sunny (adj)**

**supermarket (n)**

**supper (n)**

**suppose (v)**

- I suppose so.
- I suppose you’re right.

**sure (adj)**

- I’m (not) sure.

**surfboard (n)**

**surfing (n)**

**surname (n)**

**surprise (n)**

**surprised (adj)**

**sweater (n)**

**sweet (n & adj)**

**swim (v)**

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**T**

**table (n)**

**table-tennis (n)**

**take (v)**

- I’ll take it to your room.
- It takes three hours.

**take off (phr v)**

- She took off her shoes.

**talk (n & v)**

**tall (adj)**

**taxi (n)**

**tea (n)**

**teach (v)**

**team (n)**

**teenager (n)**

**telephone (n & v)**

**television (n)**

**tell (v)**

**temperature (n)**

- The temperature was below zero.

**tennis (n)**

**tent (n)**

**term (n)**

**terrible (adj)**

**test (n)**

**text (n & v)**

**text book (n)**

**text message (n)**

**than (prep & conj)**

**thank (v)**

**the (det)**

**theatre (n)**

**their (det)**

**theirs (pron)**

**them (pron)**

**themselves (pron)**

**then (adv)**

**there (adv)**
these (det & pron)
they (pron)
thin (adj)
thing (n)
think (v)
thirsty (adj)
this (det & pron)
those (det & pron)
through (prep)
throw (v)
thunderstorm (n)
ticket (n)
tidy (adj & v)
tidy up (v)
tiger (n)
tights (n pl)
till (prep)
time (n)
tired (adj)
to (prep)
today (n & adv)
together (adv)
toilet (n)
tomato (n)
tomorrow (n & adv)
tonight (n & adv)
too (adv)
tooth (n)
toothbrush (n)
top (n)

• the top of the page
total (adj & n)
tour (n & v)
tour guide (n)
tourist (n)
tourist information centre (n)
towel (n)
town (n)
toy (n)
traffic (n)
traffic lights (n pl)
train (n)
trainers (n pl)
tram (n)
travel (v)
travel agent (n)
tree (n)
trip (n)
trouble (n)
trousers (n pl)
try (v)
try on (phr v)
T-shirt (n)
turn (v)
turn off (phr v)

• Turn the gas off.
turn on (phr v)
• Turn the heating on.
twice (adv)
type (n)
tyre (n)

U

umbrella (n)
uncle (n)
under (prep)
underground (n & adj)
understand (v)
uniform (n)
university (n)
until (prep)
up (prep & adv)
upstairs (adv)
us (pron)
use (v)
useful (adj)
usual (adj)

V

v / versus (prep)
Manchester United v Liverpool
variety (n)
vegetable (n)
very (adv)
video (n)
video recorder (n)
village (n)
violin (n)
visit (v)
visitor (n)
volleyball (n)

W

wait (v)
waiter (n)
waitress (n)
wake up (phr v)
walk (v)
wall (n)
wallet (n)
want (v)
warm (adj)
wash (v)
wash up (phr v)
watch (n & v)
water (n)
way (n)
  • Do it this way.
  • one-way street
  • Is this the quickest way home?
we (pron)
wear (v)
weather (n)
website (n)
wedding (n)
week (n)
weekday (n)
weekend (n)
weekly (adj & adv)
welcome (v)
  • Welcome to London!
well (adv & adj)
west (n, adj & adv)
wet (adj)
whale (n)
what (det & pron)
wheel (n)
when (adv)
where (adv)
which (det & pron)
while (conj)
white (adj)
who (pron)
whole (adj & n)
  • the whole world (adj)
  • the whole of July (n)
whose (pron)
why (adv)
wife (n)
wild (adj)
  • wild animals
will (‘ll) (v)
win (v)
windsurfing (n)
windy (adj)
winter (n)
wishes (n pl)
  • Best wishes
with (prep)
without (prep)
woman (n)
wonderful (adj)
wood (n)
wool (n)
word (n)
work (n & v)
world (n)
worry (v)
would (v)
write (v)
write down (phr v)
wrong (adj)

Y

year (n)
yellow (adj)
yes (exclam)
yesterday (n & adv)
yet (adv)
  • Has he arrived yet?
you (pron)
young (adj)
your (det)
yours (pron)
yourself (pron)

Z

zero (n)
zoo (n)
Appendix 1

Word sets

In addition to the words in the alphabetical list, KET and KET for Schools candidates are expected to know:

Cardinal numbers
one, two, three, etc. to one thousand

Ordinal numbers
first, second, third, fourth, etc. to thirty-first

Days of the week
Monday, Tuesday, etc.

Months of the year
January, February, etc.

Seasons of the year
spring, summer, autumn, winter

Countries, languages and nationalities
English-speaking countries and others, for example Brazil/Brazilian, Canada/Canadian, China/Chinese, France/French, Ireland/Irish, India/Indian, Italy/Italian, Spain/Spanish, etc.

Continents
Africa, Australia, North America, South America, Asia, Antarctica, Europe

School subjects
geography, history, mathematics, science, etc.

Appendix 2

Affixes

The words in the alphabetical list may be extended by the use of these affixes:

-er  with verbs and nouns to make nouns, e.g. driver, farmer, footballer, shopper, teacher, etc.

-ing  with verbs to make nouns (activities), e.g. fishing, parking, reading, sailing, shopping, etc.

-ly  with adjectives to form adverbs, e.g. carefully, quickly, slowly, usually, etc.

-un-  with adjectives and adverbs to make negative forms, e.g. uncertain, unhappy, unhappily, uninteresting, etc.
### Appendix 3

#### Topic Lists

##### Appliances

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Health, Medicine and Exercise

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ambulance  dangerous  health  problem
appointment  dead  hear (v)  rest (n & v)
arm  dentist  heart  run
baby  die  hospital  soap
back  doctor  hurt (v)  stomach
body  ear  ill  swim
break (v)  exercise  insurance  temperature
burn (v)  face  leg  tired
check (v)  fall (v)  lie down  tooth
chemist  feel (v)  medicine  toothbrush
clean (adj & v)  fit  neck  walk
cold (n)  foot  nose  well (adj)
comb (n)  hair  nurse  
cut (v)  hand  pain

Hobbies and Leisure

barbecue  club  hobby  paint (n & v)
beach  collect (v)  holidays  park
bicycle  computer  join  party
bike  dance (n & v)  magazine  photograph (n & v)
book  draw  member  picnic
camera  DVD (player)  MP3 player  quiz
camp  festival  music  tent
campsite  go out  music  
CD (player)  guitar  musician

House and Home

address  computer  furniture  live (v)
apartment  cooker  garage  living room
bath  cupboard  garden  pillow
bathroom  curtains  gas  roof
bed  desk  gate  room
bedroom  dining room  hall  safe (adj)
blanket  door  heating  shelf
bookshelf  downstairs  home  shower
bowl  DVD (player)  house  sitting room
box  entrance  key  sofa
chair  flat  kitchen  stay (v)
clock  floor  lamp  toilet
drug  fridge  light  towel
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Sport

ball baseball basketball beach bicycle bike boat catch (v) climb (v) club coach (n) competition cycle (v) enter (a competition) fishing football footballer game golf hockey luck member play (v) player pool (n) practice (n) practise (v) private race (n & v) racket rest (n & v) ride (n & v) riding run (v) sailing sea skate (v) skateboarding (n) ski skiing snowboard (n) snowboarding sport(s) sports centre stadium surfboard surfboarding swim swimming swimming costume table-tennis
team tennis tennis player throw (v) ticket trainers versus / v volleyball walk (v) watch (v) winner

The Natural World

air beach country countryside east explore field fire flower forest grass grow hill hot ice island lake moon mountain north outdoor plant river sea sky south space spring star north

tree water west sea winter wood wool world

Time

afternoon evening half (past) monthly morning night noon o’clock past quarter (past / to) weekly past second spring second working hours

today tomorrow tonight week weekday weekend winter year yesterday
### Travel and Transport

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**Work and Jobs**

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- boss
- break (n)
- business
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- businesswoman
- chemist
- cleaner
- coach (n)
- company
- computer
- customer
- dentist
- desk
- diary
- diploma
- doctor
- driver
- earn
- email (n & v)
- engineer
- explorer
- factory
- farm
- farmer
- footballer
- guest
- guide (n)
- hairdresser
- instructions
- job
- journalist
- king
- letter
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- mechanic
- meeting
- message
- musician
- nurse
- occupation
- office
- painter
- pharmacy
- photographer
- pilot
- police officer
- queen
- receptionist
- secretary
- shop assistant
- shopper
- singer
- staff
- student
- teacher
- tennis player
- tour guide
- travel agent
- uniform
- waiter
- waitress
- work
- worker
- working hours