

Extended wordlist

Unit 14

Abbreviations: n/np = noun / noun phrase; v/vp = verb / verb phrase; adj/adjp = adjective / adjective phrase; adv/advp = adverb / adverb phrase; T/I = transitive/intransitive; C/U = countable/uncountable

The numbers indicate the page in the unit on which the word or phrase first appears. RS indicates that the word or phrase appears in the recording script (a student version of the recording scripts can be found at www.cambridge.org/elt/completecae).

attain sth *v* [T] (139) FORMAL to reach a particular age or level

bankrupt *adj* (138) unable to continue in business because you cannot pay your debts

be no point in doing sth *np* (RS) if there is *no point in doing something*, you should not do that thing because it will achieve nothing

be of good character *pp* (139) FORMAL to be someone who behaves well and does not break the law

bona fide *adj* (139) LATIN real and honest

ceremonious *adj* (138) very formal and special

challenge to your preconceptions *vp* (RS) something which changes your ideas about a subject, especially ideas which you had formed without knowing the real facts about a situation

checklist *n* [C] (139) a list of things that you should think about, or that you must do

citizenship *n* [U] (139) the legal right to be a citizen of a particular country

compulsory *adj* (RS) if something is *compulsory*, you must do it because of a rule or law

contentious issue *np* (RS) a subject that people have very different opinions about and which causes them to argue

cord *n* [C or U] (138) thick string

cost of living *np* (141) the amount you have to pay for food, clothes and the other things that you need for living

creditor *n* [C] (138) a person or organisation that someone owes money to

cultural mix *np* (RS) a combination of people from different countries, with different religions, traditions, etc.

dead tired *adj* (RS) INFORMAL extremely tired

despot *n* [C] (138) a very powerful person, especially someone who treats people cruelly

detrimental *adj* (142) causing damage or harm

dignify sb/sth *v* [T] (138) to cause someone or something to be valued or respected

diverse *adj* (141) including many different types

diversity *n* [U] (142) when many different types of things or people are included in something

do/work long hours *vp* (RS) to spend a lot of time working

Don't get me wrong *idiom* (RS) said when you think someone might not understand what you say, or be upset by it

end up *v* [I] (RS) to finally be in a particular place or situation

expatriate *n* [C] (140) someone who does not live in their own country

feel like a fish out of water *vp* (RS) to feel awkward because you are in a situation that you have not experienced before or because you are very different from the people around you

fit in *v* (RS) to feel that you belong to a particular group and are accepted by them

flee *v* [I] (138) to leave a place quickly because you are in danger or are afraid

for good *pp* (139) forever

for years on end *pp* (RS) for many years

get ideas across *vp* (RS) to successfully communicate information to other people

get in touch with sb *vp* (143) to communicate with someone by telephoning, writing, etc.

get to the point *vp* (145) to start to talk about the most important thing

give rise to sth *vp* (RS) to cause something

hapless *adj* (138) having bad luck

have a different take on sth *vp* (RS) to have a different opinion or understanding of something

heroism *n* [U] (138) very brave behaviour

higher education *n* [U] (139) education at a college or university where subjects are studied at an advanced level

illiterate *adj* (138) not able to read or write

integrate *v* [I] (139) to become part of a group or society

integration *n* [U] (141) when people become part of a group or society

involuntary *adj* (138) happening though not intended

jaunty *adj* (138) happy and confident

language barrier *n* [C] (RS) when people are prevented from understanding each other because they speak different languages

lawful *adj* (139) allowed by the law

live side by side *vp* (142) to live very close to each other

local *n* (141) someone who lives in the area you are talking about

make good *vp* (RS) to succeed and become rich

marry up sth *v* [T] (RS) if two things *marry up* or if you marry them up, they match or join together

mind you *idiom* (RS) something you say before saying the opposite of what you have just said, 'You'd be fitter if you went running more often. Mind you, you can easily damage your knees if you do it too often.'

minor drawback *np* (145) a slight problem

no end of sth *np* (RS) INFORMAL a lot of something, e.g. 'no end of problems'

offset sth *v* [T] (139) if one thing *offsets* another thing, it has the opposite effect and so creates a more balanced situation

on the dock *pp* (138) standing on the raised area next to water where passengers get on and off a boat

overlap *v* [I] (RS) when two subjects or activities are the same in some way

the odd day here and there *np* (RS) happening sometimes but not often

persecuted *adj* (138) treated unfairly or cruelly because of race, religion or beliefs

place a strain on sth/sb *vp* (139) to cause problems for someone or something and make a situation difficult

plinth *n* [C] (138) a square block, especially of stone, on which a statue stands

put in more of an effort *vp* (RS) to work harder

reversal of fortune *np* (138) when good things start to happen to someone who was in a bad situation before

sanctuary *n* [C] (138) a place that provides protection

schooling *n* [U] (141) education at school

set up sth *v* [T] (RS) to arrange for something to happen, for example to start a new business

settle down *v* [I] (RS) to start living somewhere that you are going to live for a long time, usually with a partner

stay behind *v* [I] (RS) to not leave a place when other people leave

stir the imagination *vp* (138) if something *stirs your imagination*, you find it exciting to think about or imagine happening

tantalising *adj* (138) something that is *tantalising* is very attractive and makes you want it, although often you cannot have it

ties *n* [C] (138) relationships that connect you with a place, person, etc.

transition *n* [C or U] (142) when something or someone changes from one system or method to another, often gradually

transfiguration *n* [U] (138) when something or someone is changed very much, usually in a good way

treat sb with respect *vp* (145) to be polite to someone and show that you think they are important

turn sth to your advantage *vp* (RS) to change something bad or difficult in a situation into something good that helps you

unbearable *adj* (RS) too painful or unpleasant for you to continue to experience

unskilled *adj* (139) without special skills or qualifications