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**WORD BOX**

are traditions shapes people easy in cultural each

New Zealand is a great country with an interesting culture.

The native \_\_\_\_\_ people \_\_\_\_\_ there are the Maori people.

A few hundred years ago, Europeans came to New Zealand.

Before that, the Maori were the only people living on the land.

Today, Maori people make up 15 percent of New Zealand's population. They are a \_\_\_\_\_ cultural \_\_\_\_\_ and ethnic minority \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ New Zealand.

The Maori people have unique \_\_\_\_\_ traditions \_\_\_\_\_.

One particular tradition is \_\_\_\_\_ easy \_\_\_\_\_ to notice.

They get tattoos. The tattoos are a kind of art.

It's called body art.

It's an important part of Maori culture.

The tattoos have lots of details, \_\_\_\_\_ shapes \_\_\_\_\_, and patterns.

They are very beautiful. They \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_ impressive.

But even more impressive is the fact that \_\_\_\_\_ each \_\_\_\_\_ Maori tattoo is different.

No two tattoos are the same.

Tattoos have become popular around the world.

There are many different styles of tattoos.

The word tattoo may have come from the original native Maori word tautau.

Many people don't understand the meaning of tattoos.

They mean different things to different people in different places.

It's good to understand the history of things.

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### Time Expression

*last weekend   in the past   today   years ago*

1. Few hundred **years**, Europeans came to New Zealand.

Few hundred years ago, Europeans came to New Zealand.

2. **Yesterday**, Maori people make up 15 percent of New Zealand's population.

Today, Maori people make up 15 percent of New Zealand's population.

3. **In the future**, people had different knowledge.

In the past, people had different knowledge.

4. She wrote the letter **weekend**.

She wrote the letter last weekend.

5. Europeans came to North America a few hundred **ago**.

Europeans came to North America a few hundred years ago.

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actually people soon It's population support place working

Hi Nate,

This December, I will travel to India with my family. I've been reading a lot about the country recently.

It's a fascinating \_\_\_\_\_ place \_\_\_\_\_.

Here are some interesting facts about India.

Many people know that China is currently the most populated country in the world.

It has roughly 1.3 billion people.

Did you know that India is not far behind, with about 1.2 billion people?

In fact, more \_\_\_\_\_ people \_\_\_\_\_ are born in India every year than in China.

People expect its \_\_\_\_\_ population \_\_\_\_\_ to pass China's \_\_\_\_\_ soon \_\_\_\_\_.

India's population is growing. But the population in other crowded

countries, like Japan and South Korea, are \_\_\_\_\_ actually \_\_\_\_\_ shrinking.

The \_\_\_\_\_ working \_\_\_\_\_ adults are supporting the \_\_\_\_\_ old \_\_\_\_\_ people of these countries.

They are also having fewer children. So there will be fewer adults to the elderly in the

future. \_\_\_\_\_ It's \_\_\_\_\_ a crisis.

India has a different population problem.

The cities are overpopulated.

Most people in India are younger than 35.

I will have plenty of chances to meet people.

India also has the most wild tigers in the world.

I hope I can see one while traveling there.

Furthermore, India makes the most new movies in the world every year.

I plan to go to the movies there.

I'm really excited to go.

-Pete

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### Adverbs

*currently   peacefully   easily   eventually*

1. **Eventual**, the government changed the law.

Eventually, the government changed the law.

2. I am **current** listening pop songs of other countries.

I am currently listening pop songs of other countries.

3. They finished their homework **eventual**.

They finished their homework eventually.

4. I can **easy** cook the soup.

I can easily cook the soup.

5. The birds are sitting on a tree **peace**.

The birds are sitting on a tree peacefully.

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ice moved along left noticed explain rocks scientist

Death Valley is one of the lowest, hottest places in the world.

It's an amazing desert in the western US.

But something mysterious happens there sometimes.

Rocks as heavy as 180 kg can move up to 450 m across the desert floor.

How does this happen?

The climate doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ **explain** \_\_\_\_\_ this.

For **centuries**, people \_\_\_\_\_ **noticed** \_\_\_\_\_ that huge rocks \_\_\_\_\_ **moved** \_\_\_\_\_ **overnight**.

No one saw them move.

There were no footprints in the sand.

There were no signs of human activity around anywhere.

**Trails** were \_\_\_\_\_ **left** \_\_\_\_\_ behind by the moving rocks.

So what moved the rocks?

Scientists couldn't understand how the rocks moved.

For years, people saw strange lights in the night sky.

Did the lights move the rocks?

Finally, a \_\_\_\_\_ **scientist** \_\_\_\_\_ **solved** \_\_\_\_\_ the mystery.

Deserts are hot in the day, but they get very cold at night.

In winter, the ground freezes.

On the desert floor, thin sheets of \_\_\_\_\_ ice \_\_\_\_\_ form. Not many plants grow in the desert.

Powerful winds blow heavy rocks across the ice in the bare desert.

The \_\_\_\_\_ rocks \_\_\_\_\_ scrape the desert floor as they skate \_\_\_\_\_ along \_\_\_\_\_ the ice.

A trail is left behind.

It's a simple answer to an old mystery.

The climate explains a lot, after all.



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### Prepositional Phrases of Movement

*behind   along   across*

1. Rocks as heavy as 180kg can move up to 450m **cross** the desert floor.

Rocks as heavy as 180kg can move up to 450m across the desert floor.

2. They skate **long** the path and leave a trail behind them..

They skate along the path and leave a trail behind them.

3. They skate **long** the path and leave a trail behind them.

They skate along the path and leave a trail behind them.

4. Powerful winds blow the heavy rocks across the ice, leaving **front** mysterious-looking trails on the desert floor.

Powerful winds blow the heavy rocks across the ice, leaving behind mysterious-looking trails on the desert floor.

5. They walked **alone** the road together.

They walked along the road together.

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temperatures water called humans naturally other Our Earth

Where could humans go if we had to leave Earth?

\_\_\_\_ **Our** \_\_\_\_ solar\_system\_ is huge.

We don't know that much about it.

There's no other place, besides Earth, that can \_\_\_\_ **naturally** \_\_\_\_ sustain\_ human life.

Living things on Earth need air, water, food, shelter, light, and nutrients to survive.

We also need \_\_\_\_ **other** \_\_\_\_ conditions, like appropriate\_ \_\_\_\_ **temperatures** \_\_\_\_.

The Earth is surrounded by a layer of gases \_\_\_\_ **called** \_\_\_\_ the atmosphere\_.

It's essential\_ to life on \_\_\_\_ **Earth** \_\_\_\_\_. It provides many things we need to live. One example is the air we breathe.

There is another place in our solar system where some of these things exist.

It's a moon of the planet Jupiter, called Europa.

Its conditions could be suitable\_ \_\_\_\_ **for** \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ **humans** \_\_\_\_.

Europa's atmosphere is made up of mostly oxygen.

Scientists also believe Europa's surface\_ has \_\_\_\_ **water** \_\_\_\_.

Of course, it's not perfect.

The highest temperature on Europa is  $-160^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

No human can survive that.

There are other problems, too.

But a space colony may allow us to survive there.

Scientists are studying Europa.

They want to find out if there's life there.

They want to learn if humans could survive there.

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### Modals

*may    could    may not    can't,*

1. I go to the restroom, please?

May I go to the restroom, please?

2. I can walk well. Because I got surgery yesterday.

I may walk well. Because I got surgery yesterday.

3. It is rain today. It is cloudy.

It may rain today. It is cloudy.

4. They want to learn about the universe if humans could not survive there.

They want to learn about the universe if humans could survive there.

5. She said she is busy these days. So she may come to this party.

She said she is busy these days. So she can't come to this party.

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year   Some   change   easily   happen   size   e-book   sales

E-book means electronic book.

You can use a **device** called an \_\_\_\_\_ **e-book** \_\_\_\_\_ reader to read e-books.

E-books are popular for many reasons.

First, they are cheaper.

On average, e-books are about eight percent cheaper than paper books.

Second, they are faster and easier to buy.

You don't have to go to a bookstore.

You can pay for and download the books from the Internet.

Third, you can **carry** e-books \_\_\_\_\_ **easily** \_\_\_\_\_.

An e-reader can hold thousands of e-books and remain thin and light.

Finally, an e-book is comfortable to read.

You can change the \_\_\_\_\_ **size** \_\_\_\_\_ of the **text**.

You can also \_\_\_\_\_ **change** \_\_\_\_\_ the **brightness** of the **screen**.

E-book \_\_\_\_\_ **sales** \_\_\_\_\_ in the US are **increasing** every \_\_\_\_\_ **year** \_\_\_\_\_.

In contrast, paper book sales have been going down.

In 2012, e-book sales were \$3.04 billion in the US.

Paper book sales were \$11.9 billion.

In 2014, e-book sales climbed to \$5.7 billion.

Paper book sales fell to \$10 billion.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Some** \_\_\_\_\_ **experts** say that e-books will sell more than paper books.

They **predict** this will \_\_\_\_\_ **happen** \_\_\_\_\_ in the US by 2018.

Experts say that e-book sales will rise to \$12.8 billion.

On the other hand, paper book sales will shrink to \$7.9 billion.

These numbers show that e-books are becoming more popular.

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### Gerunds & Infinitives

*easy      difficult      uncomfortable      fun*

1. It is **easy** for the baby to use.

It is difficult for the baby to use.

2. Games are **boring** to enjoy with friends.

Games are fun to enjoy with friends.

3. The bag is **comfortable** to carry. It is too heavy

The bag is uncomfortable to carry. It is too heavy.

4. These instructions are really **easy** to read. I don't have any idea about French.

These instructions are really difficult to read. I don't have any idea about French.

5. The car is really **difficult** to drive. I just went to the mart in a few minutes!

The car is really easy to drive. I just went to the mart in a few minutes!

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second events drew did first survey were results

Today in math class, I \_\_\_\_\_ **did** \_\_\_\_\_ a **survey**.

I asked everyone: "What kind of stories do you like to read?"

The **choices** \_\_\_\_\_ **were** \_\_\_\_\_:

1. Nonfiction stories, which have facts and information.
2. Fantasy stories which have magic.
3. Science fiction stories about science and technology.
4. Mystery stories, which have **puzzling** \_\_\_\_\_ **events** \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Historical fiction stories taking place in the past.

They might have real people and places, but the stories are not real.

6. Realistic fiction stories with made-up characters.

The stories could happen in real life, but they aren't real.

I gathered the **results** of my \_\_\_\_\_ **survey** \_\_\_\_\_.

Then I \_\_\_\_\_ **drew** \_\_\_\_\_ a **bar graph**.

It shows that fantasy is clearly the most popular.

The results gave me an idea.

I did another survey.



This time, the question was : “Which fantasy book is your favorite?”

I drew a pie\_chart\_ with the \_\_\_\_\_results\_\_\_\_\_.

The Harry Potter series\_ took \_\_\_\_\_first\_\_\_\_\_ place.

James and the Giant Peach got three votes. The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe also got three votes.

So they tied\_for \_\_\_\_\_second\_\_\_\_\_ place.

It was interesting to learn what my classmates like to read!

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### Conjunctions

*so    but*

1. I loved this magazine, **it** was too thick.

I loved this magazine, but it was too thick.

2. I went to the shop, **so** it was closed.

I went to the shop, but it was closed.

3. I went to see my friend in Australia **but** she went to Sydney International Airport to meet me.

I went to see my friend in Australia so she went to Sydney International Airport to meet me.

4. I called my friend to meet outside **but** we meet at the park.

I called my friend to meet outside so we meet at the park.

5. The teacher asked questions to all students **and** nobody answered.

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your gets reduce body heart through exercise easily

Being active is very important, but do you know why?

There are many **benefits** to **exercise**.

It is good for your mind and body in many ways.

Exercise makes your body stronger. You need a strong body so you don't get **easily** sick.

Exercise is good for **your** **heart**. Your **heart** **pumps blood** around your **body**. The more you exercise, the stronger your heart is.

Exercise helps you keep a healthy weight. A healthy weight is important so you don't get sick.

Exercise helps your brain work better. When you exercise, more blood goes **through** your **brain**. The more blood through your brain, the better your **memory** **gets**.

Exercise makes you happier that goes. Exercise is a great way to **reduce** **stress**.

It gives you more energy to do things that make you happy. The more things you do, the better you sleep.

There's a kind of exercise out there for everyone.

You can do it alone or with others.

You can ride your bike or climb the stairs.

You can learn a new team sport.

You will meet people and make friends!

Exercise makes you strong, healthy, and happy. And it's fun to exercise.

So don't forget to exercise!

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### Comparative Adjectives

*taller fatter better stronger more*

1. The **most** you exercise, the stronger your body gets.

The more you exercise, the stronger your body gets.

2. The more junk food you eat, the **fat** your body gets.

The more junk food you eat, the fatter your body gets.

3. He is **tallest** than Jenna. He is the tallest student in our class.

He is taller than Jenna. He is the tallest student in our class.

4. She is **not better** cook than her husband. He never cooks.

She is a better cook than her husband. He never cooks.

5. Exercise make you **weak** so you get sick less often.

Exercise make you stronger so you get sick less often.

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my sleeve inside regularly Good kind only teeth healthy

\_\_\_\_ **Good** \_\_\_\_ habits are important for living a healthy life.

Bad habits are difficult to break.

So it's important to live a life of good, healthy habits.

That's why I have made a list of \_\_\_\_ **healthy** \_\_\_\_ habits and how to keep them.

Habit #1: Eat healthy.

How? Eat a variety of fruit and vegetables and drink water often.

Eat junk food, like chips and cookies, \_\_\_\_ **only** \_\_\_\_ occasionally.

Habit #2: Always be **polite** and \_\_\_\_ **kind** \_\_\_\_.

How? I say "Please" and "Thank you" frequently, and I always share with my friends.

I help people when they need help before they ask.

Habit #3: Stay active and exercise often.

How? I walk to school, and I take the stairs.

I play outside with my friends.

I never play video games for more than one hour.

Habit #4: Take good care of **my** \_\_\_\_ **teeth** \_\_\_\_.

How? I brush and floss \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_ teeth every night, and I visit the dentist \_\_\_\_\_ regularly \_\_\_\_\_.

Habit #5: Do the “ \_\_\_\_\_ sleeve \_\_\_\_\_ sneeze ” when you’ve caught a cold.

How? I always sneeze into the \_\_\_\_\_ inside \_\_\_\_\_ of my elbow.

Do not spread germs to others.

With these good habits, it’s easy to stay healthy.

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### Adverbs of Frequency

*often    regularly    never    always*

1. Eat a variety of fruit and vegetables and drink water **never**.

Eat a variety of fruit and vegetables and drink water regularly.

2. I **all** share useful information with my friend.

I always share useful information with my friend.

3. **Never** be polite and kind. I say "Please" and "Thank you" frequently.

Always be polite and kind. I say "Please" and "Thank you" frequently.

4. My son is a good child. He **always** plays video games for more than one hour.

My son is a good child. He never plays video games for more than one hour.

5. I visit the dentist **never**. It helps my teeth to be strong.

I visit the dentist regularly. It helps my teeth to be strong.