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council /'kaʊns(ə)l/ Noun

a *council* is an organisation that is responsible for the local government in an area

Collocates: a local council | a town council

the local council is responsible for the schools | the town council meets twice a month

• **ajuntament**

crime /kraɪm/ Noun

crime is activity that is against the law. A *crime* is an action that someone does that is against the law

Collocates: commit a crime | the crime rate | a serious crime

he did not commit this crime by himself | horse stealing is a serious crime

Adjective: *criminal* | Noun: *criminal*

he's got a criminal record (he has done things that were against the law)

• **crim**

crossing /'krɒsɪŋ/ Noun

a *crossing* is a place where you can walk from one side of a road to the other, or from one side of a railway line to the other. A *crossing* is also a place where you can go from one country into another

Collocates: a pedestrian crossing | a level crossing | a border crossing

there's a crossing outside the bank | the traffic is very fast along here, so use the pedestrian crossing

Verb: *cross*

• **pas de vianants / travessia**

crossroads /'krɒs,rəʊdz/ Noun

a *crossroads* is a place where two roads go across each other

there was a nasty crash at the crossroads | go straight on at the crossroads

• **cruïlla**

directly /dɪ'rek(t)li/ Adverb

if something is *directly* above, opposite, or below something, it is in exactly that place and not to one side

it's directly opposite the bookshop | their flat is directly above ours, and we can hear them walking around

• **directament**

get off /,get 'ɒf/ Phrasal verb

if you *get off* a bus or train, you leave it

I got off the bus at the wrong stop | take the bus towards the Cathedral and get off at the museum

Opposite – Phrasal Verb: *get on*

the train was so crowded I couldn't get on

• **baixar**

ground /graʊnd/ Noun

a *ground* or a sports *ground* is a place where sports are played outdoors

we live near the cricket ground | there's a famous sports ground at Wembley

• **pista / camp**

half /ha:f/ Noun

half of something is one of two equal parts of it

I'll be home in an hour and a half | I tore the paper in half

• **mitja**

journey /'dʒɜ:(r)ni/ Noun

if you go on a *journey*, you travel from one place to another, usually over a long distance

Collocates: a long journey

you must be tired after your long journey | have a safe journey!

• **viatge**

keep /ki:p/ Verb

if you *keep* doing something, you continue doing it in the same way without stopping. If you *keep* fit, warm, etc., you continue being fit or warm

Collocates: *keep* doing something

she'll just keep trying till she succeeds | he kept watching as her train moved out of the station

• **mantenir-se**

mile /maɪl/ Noun

a *mile* is a distance of 1.6 kilometres

it's another half a mile to the hotel | the town is 500 miles east of Moscow

• **milla**

miss /mɪs/ Verb

if you *miss* something, you do not see it or notice it.

If you tell someone they can't *miss* something, you mean that it will be very obvious and they will certainly notice it

the museum will be on your right; you can't miss it | keep your eyes open or you'll miss it

• **perdre's alguna cosa**

monument /ˈmɒnjʊmənt/ Noun

a *monument* is something that is built to remind people of something important in the past

Collocates: a monument to something

a historic monument | a monument to the people who died in the war

• monument

playground /ˈpleɪgraʊnd/ Noun

a *playground* is an area outdoors where children can play, often with special equipment for them

a children's playground | the school playground (where children go in their break times)

• pati

report /rɪˈpɔː(r)t/ Verb

if you *report* a crime or an accident, you tell someone in authority that it has happened

I need to go to a police station to report a crime | did you report the accident to the police?

• informar

roundabout /ˈraʊndəbaʊt/ Noun

a *roundabout* is a place where several roads join and traffic goes round a circle to help vehicles move from one road to another safely

take the third exit from the roundabout | they're going to replace the traffic lights with a roundabout at that crossroads

• rotonda

straight /streɪt/ Adverb

if you go *straight* or *straight on*, you keep going in the same direction and do not turn off to either side

go straight on at the crossroads | walk under the railway bridge and keep going straight

• directament

subway /ˈsʌbweɪ/ Noun

in Britain, a *subway* is a tunnel under a road so that people can walk from one side to the other safely. In the US, the *subway* is the underground rail system

there's a subway under the main road near my house | I don't like using the subway after dark

• metro

town hall /ˌtaʊn ˈhɔːl/ Noun

in Britain, a *town hall* is a public building where the local government of a town has its offices

it's opposite the town hall | his office is in the town hall

• Ajuntament

traffic jam /ˈtræfɪk ˌdʒæm/ Noun

if there is a *traffic jam* on a road, vehicles cannot move forwards because there is too much traffic or there is something that is blocking the road

there's a huge traffic jam in the centre of town | we were stuck in a traffic jam for hours

• embús

traffic lights /ˈtræfɪk ˌlaɪts/ Noun plural

traffic lights are coloured lights next to a road, which control traffic. When they are red, cars have to stop. When they are green, cars can go

the traffic lights turned red as we approached | turn left at the next set of traffic lights

• semàfor

war /wɔː(r)/ Noun

when there is a *war*, one or more countries fight against one or more other countries using their army, navy, air force, etc.

Collocates: be at war

his grandfather fought in the First World War | the two countries spent the next four years at war

• guerra

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ages /eɪdʒɪz/ Noun plural

if you say that something took *ages*, you mean it took a very long time

Collocates: take ages | for ages

it took ages to go through security | the phone rang for ages before he answered

• any

airline /ˈeə(r)laɪn/ Noun

an *airline* is a company that organises plane travel and carries passengers by air

I wanted to speak to someone from the airline | Qantas is the national airline for Australia

• línia aèria

alarm clock /əˈlɑː(r)m ˌklɒk/ Noun

an *alarm clock* is a clock that makes a noise at the time you want to wake up

Collocates: set an alarm clock | an alarm clock goes off

I set my alarm clock for 6:30 | my alarm clock went off at 7

• despertador

COMPOUND NOUNS

Two nouns used together can make a new noun – for example, an **alarm clock** (a clock that makes a noise at the time you want to wake up). The first noun describes the second noun.

*It's much cheaper to get a **travel card**.*

*We need more **cycle lanes** in the town centre.*

*There's a huge **traffic jam** in the centre of town.*

board /bɔː(r)d/ Noun

a **board** is a large flat object in a public place that has information on it

the arrivals board said their flight would be delayed by an hour | the menu is on the board above the bar

• **tauler****board** /bɔː(r)d/ Verb

to **board** a plane or ship means to get on it. When a plane is **boarding**, the passengers are getting on it. The **boarding gate** is the place in an airport where passengers get on the plane

we boarded over an hour late | you'll be able to board shortly

Noun: **boarding**

Collocates: a boarding gate

which boarding gate do we need to go to?

• **embarcar****check in** /ˈtʃek ɪn/ Phrasal verb

if you **check in** at a hotel or airport, you give your personal details and show tickets, etc. so that you can use the hotel or travel on the flight

if you check in online it will save time at the airport

Noun: **check-in** | Opposite – Verb: **check out**

Collocates: check-in desk/counter | check out of somewhere

check-in is after midday

• **registrar-se****connection** /kəˈnekʃ(ə)n/ Noun

a **connection** is a bus, train, or plane that sets off at a time that allows passengers to get off an earlier bus, train, or plane in order to continue their journey

we had an hour to get our connection in Paris | our plane was delayed from London and I missed my connection at Amsterdam

Verb: **connect**

• **connexió****delayed** /dɪˈleɪd/ Adjective

if something is **delayed**, it happens later than it was planned to happen. If you are **delayed**, you get somewhere later than you planned because of a problem on the way

I sometimes missed a flight if my train was delayed | our new bathroom was delayed because we had to wait for a sink

Verb: **delay**

a storm delayed our departure from Southampton

• **retardat****departure** /dɪˈpɑː(r)tʃə(r)/ Noun

your **departure** from a place is when you leave there to go somewhere else. At an airport, the **departure gate** is the place where you have to go to get on your plane. The **departure board** tells passengers which gate they have to go to for their plane

Collocates: a departure board | a departure gate

I checked the departure board to see which gate we had to go to | his departure from the company came as a surprise to everyone

Verb: **depart** | Opposite – Noun: **arrival**

Collocates: an arrivals board

• **sortida****exciting** /ɪkˈsaɪtɪŋ/ Adjective

if something is **exciting**, it makes you feel happy and interested

as the story got more and more exciting, I completely forgot the time | Moscow is a very exciting city

Adjective: **excited**

I'm really excited about starting my new job

• **atractiu / interessant****fair** /feə(r)/ Adjective

something that is **fair** is right and reasonable. If you say to be **fair** before or after a comment, you mean that you are just saying something that is true and honest

to be fair, it's several years since I missed a plane | I know we all laughed, but he has got a good voice, to be fair

• **just****go through** /gəʊ ˈθruː/ Phrasal verb

if you **go through** a place, you pass through it on your way to another place

it took ages to go through security | we went through Lyon on our way to Avignon | you have to go through the bedroom to get to the bathroom

• **travessar**

introduce /ˈɪntrəˈdjuːs/ Verb

if you *introduce* something, you start doing it or using it
monthly meetings were introduced last year | the government wants to introduce a new tax law

Noun: *introduction*

Collocates: the introduction of something

another great event was the introduction of the Internet

- *introduir*

land /lænd/ Verb

when a plane *lands*, it comes back down to the ground after a journey

our plane landed on time | we're due to land at 6:30

Opposite – Verb: *take off*

every day at Heathrow 1,400 flights take off and land

- *aterrar*

line /laɪn/ Noun

a *line*, or a railway *line* is track that trains travel along

the train had to stop because there was something on the line | there's a direct line from London to Paris (you don't have to change trains on the way)

- *linia*

miss /mɪs/ Verb

if you *miss* a bus, train, or plane, you do not get on it because you arrive too late at the bus stop, station, or airport

I missed my flight to Paris | hurry up, or you'll miss the train | luckily, the train left late so we didn't miss it

- *perdre*

on the way /ɒn ðə 'weɪ/ Phrase

if you are *on the way* somewhere, you are travelling there but have not arrived yet

we got stuck in traffic on the way here | Roger was very quiet on the way home

- *de camí*

passenger /ˈpæsɪndʒə(r)/ Noun

a *passenger* is someone who is travelling on a bus, train, plane, etc.

Collocates: rail/bus/tube/coach passengers

the coach can carry 60 passengers | rail passengers face rising ticket prices

- *passatger*

plenty /ˈplenti/ Pronoun

if there is *plenty* of something, there is a lot of it, and enough of it for what you want to do

Collocates: plenty of something

I got to the boarding gate in plenty of time | no more coffee for me, thanks. I've had plenty

- *molta quantitat*

realise /ˈrɪəlaɪz/ Verb

if you *realise* that something is true, you know or understand that it is true

I realised that reading was actually enjoyable | I didn't realise it was so late

Noun: *realisation*

I came to the gradual realisation that I wanted to be a musician, not a lawyer

- *adonar-se*

repair /rɪˈpeə(r)/ Noun

if you *repair* something that is broken or not working properly, you mend it. The work that you do is a *repair*

Collocates: a repair to something

the car needs a few small repairs | the repairs to the roof were completed last month | the necessary repairs cost over £7,000

Verb: *repair*

- *reparar / arreglar*

replace /rɪˈpleɪs/ Verb

if you *replace* something, you remove it and put something new in its place

Collocates: replace something with something

they're going to knock down the factory and replace it with a shopping centre | Sally was ill, so Jenny replaced her for the first match

Noun: *replacement*

Collocates: a replacement for someone or something

they gave him a replacement for his watch

- *substituir*

security /sɪˈkjʊərəti/ Noun uncount

security is all the systems and actions that help to protect a place. *Security* at an airport is the place where you and your bags are checked to make sure you are not carrying guns or bombs

it took ages to go through security | there is now much tighter security at all airports

- *seguretat*

set /set/ Verb

if you *set* a machine, you move the controls so that it will operate in the way you want it to or at the time you want it to

I set my alarm clock for 6:30 | set the timer on the oven so we know when to turn it off | set the scales to zero before you weigh anything

- *configurar / fixar*

stuck /stʌk/ Adjective

if you are *stuck* somewhere, you cannot move easily or get away even though you want to

we were stuck inside thanks to the rain | several vehicles became stuck in the snow

- *bloquejat*

take off /ˈteɪk ɒf/ Phrasal verb

when a *plane* takes off, it leaves the ground and starts flying through the air

we didn't take off till after 9 o'clock | the pilot announced we'd be taking off in five minutes

Noun: *take-off* | Opposite – Verb: *land*

passengers must keep seat belts fastened during take-off and landing

• *enlairar-se*

thriller /ˈθrɪlə(r)/ Noun

a *thriller* is a book or film that is very exciting and makes you always want to know what is going to happen next. *Thrillers* are usually about crime or spies

I was reading a thriller till after midnight | he's written two thrillers

• *obra de suspens*

unfortunately /ʌnˈfɔː(r)tʃ(ə)nətli/ Adverb

if something is *unfortunate*, it is rather sad and disappointing. You say *unfortunately* when you are describing something unfortunate that has happened

unfortunately, I got there too late and missed my plane | My uncle, unfortunately, had to stay behind

Adjective: *unfortunate* | Opposite – Adverb: *fortunately*

• *malauradament*

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afford /əˈfɔː(r)d/ Verb

if you can't *afford* something, you don't have enough money to be able to pay for it

she can't afford a new car | I could never afford to live in London

Adjective: *affordable*

the flights are more affordable if you book in advance

• *permetre's*

cancel /ˈkæns(ə)l/ Verb

if you *cancel* an event that was planned, you decide that it will not happen

the train was cancelled because there was no driver | they had to cancel the meeting at the last minute

• *anul·lar*

charge /tʃɑː(r)dʒ/ Verb

if you *charge* someone an amount of money, you ask them to give you that amount when you sell something to them or do a job for them

Collocates: *charge (someone) for (doing) something*

he charged us £200 for painting the windows | do you charge for delivery?

Noun: *charge*

a £5 delivery charge

• *cobrar*

clear up /ˈkliːə(r) ʌp/ Phrasal verb

if you *clear up* or *clear* a place *up*, you make it clean and tidy and get rid of anything that is not wanted there

it took us hours to clear up after the party | we need to clear this mess up before Mum gets home

• *endreçar*

closed /kləʊzd/ Adjective

if a place is *closed*, people are not allowed to go there

East Ham station is closed because of a flood | the motorway is completely closed for repair work

Verb: *close*

they had to close the road for repairs

• *tancat*

coach /kəʊtʃ/ Noun

a *coach* is a bus that is used for long journeys

I took a coach from London to Paris | do you know what time the coach leaves?

• *autocar*

crash /kræʃ/ Verb

if cars, lorries, planes, etc. *crash*, they hit other vehicles or objects with a lot of force, often injuring people and causing damage

a lorry crashed earlier this morning on the A516 | he crashed into a tree

Noun: *crash*

there's been a serious crash on the motorway

• *topar / xocar*

cycle /ˈsaɪk(ə)l/ Verb

if you *cycle* somewhere, you go there riding on a bicycle

I cycle to work, even when it rains | we cycled 300 miles in four days

Noun: *cyclist*

my father's a keen cyclist

• *anar amb bicicleta*

deal /diːl/ Noun

a *deal* is an agreement between people who have discussed a problem or business arrangement

Collocates: *make/strike a deal*

after hours of talks a deal was struck | I'll make a deal with you – you can borrow the car if you put some petrol in it for me

• *tracte / acord*

flooding /ˈflʌdɪŋ/ Noun uncount

flooding is a situation when a large amount of water comes into an area or building where it is not meant to be

East Ham station is closed because of flooding | flooding caused serious damage to the school

Noun: *flood* | Verb: *flood*

• *inundació*

hire /'haɪə(r)/ Verb

if you *hire* something, you pay to use it for a short time and then give it back

we hired a car for a week | let's hire a boat for the day

Noun: *hire*

Collocates: on hire | for hire

we've got a boat on hire for the summer

- *llogar*

huge /hju:dʒ/ Adjective

something that is *huge* is extremely big

they're putting up a huge building near the park | most of the rooms are huge but the kitchen is tiny

Adverb: *hugely*

a hugely successful company

- *enorme*

lane /leɪn/ Noun

a *lane* on a big road is one of the parts that cars and other vehicles drive along. A *bus lane* or *cycle lane* is a part of the road where only buses or bicycles are allowed

he got a fine for driving in a bus lane | we need more cycle lanes in the town centre

- *carril*

let /let/ Verb

to *let* someone go somewhere or do something means to allow them to go there or do that

the driver stopped after two hours to let the passengers get some fresh air | I rang the bell and waited for someone to let me in | they wouldn't let me see my grandfather when he was in hospital

- *deixar*

licence /'laɪs(ə)ns/ Noun

a *licence* is an official document that gives you permission to do something

do you need a licence to ride a motorbike? | you must have a full driving licence to hire a car

- *permís*

load /ləʊd/ Noun

a *load* is the thing or quantity of things or goods that is being carried in a vehicle at one time. To *load* a vehicle means to put a load into it

the truck was carrying a huge load | the lorry had a heavy load and went slowly up the hill

Verb: *load* || Opposite – Verb: *unload*

- *càrrega*

mess /mes/ Noun

a *mess* is an untidy place with lots of rubbish and things that are not wanted

Collocates: be in a mess

the road is shut while the police clear up the mess | the flat's a bit of a mess at the moment

Adjective: *messy*

- *desordre / lloc brut*

nightmare /'naɪt,meə(r)/ Noun

a *nightmare* is a very frightening dream. You can refer to a really unpleasant or worrying situation as a *nightmare*

Collocates: a nightmare about something | give someone nightmares

the baby screamed all the way there; it was a nightmare | watching horror films gives me nightmares

- *malson*

overnight /'əʊvə(r)'naɪt/ Adverb

if something happens *overnight*, it happens during the night

we decided to travel overnight | are you going to stay overnight?

Adjective: *overnight*

- *durant la nit*

park /pɑː(r)k/ Verb

if you *park* a car, you stop it and leave it somewhere for a while until you need to drive it again

we drove round for ages looking for somewhere to park | we parked in the car park next to the supermarket

Adjective: *parked* | Noun: *parking*

the bus lost control and drove into a line of parked cars

- *aparcar*

public transport /'pʌblɪk 'trænsɜː(r)t/ Noun uncount

ordinary people can be referred to as *the public*. *Public transport* is buses, trains, etc. which anyone can use if they have a ticket

most people go to work on public transport | despite the snow, public transport is running normally

- *transport públic*

rail /reɪl/ Noun uncount

rail is the system of trains and railways

there's a really fast rail service between Rome and Milan | a high speed rail network

- *ferrioviari*

renew /rɪ'njuː/ Verb

if you *renew* something that is old or broken, you replace it with something new

they're carrying out repair work to renew the underground | the garage door was renewed last year

- *renovar*

replacement /rɪˈpleɪsmənt/ Noun

a *replacement* is something that takes the place of another thing that you no longer have or can use

Collocates: a replacement for something or someone

they gave him a replacement for his watch | several of the sales team are leaving, so we'll have to find replacements for them

Verb: *replace*

Collocates: replace something with something

- **substitució**

ride /raɪd/ Verb

if you *ride* a bike or a motorbike, you sit on it and make it go. You also say that you *ride* a horse

I was only four when I learnt to ride a bike | I've never ridden a horse in my life

Noun: *rider*

the motorbike rider was badly injured in the crash

- **muntar**

run /rʌn/ Verb

if buses or trains *are running*, they are regularly taking passengers to places

trains between London and Birmingham are now running normally | the train runs every 30 minutes (one leaves every 30 minutes)

- **funcionar**

scream /skri:m/ Verb

if someone *screams*, they shout in a very loud, high voice because they are frightened, in pain, or very excited

the girls were screaming with laughter | don't scream or I'll shoot!

Noun: *scream*

the silence was broken by a scream from somewhere in the garden

- **cridar**

search /sɜ:(r)tʃ/ Verb

if you *search* a place, you look in it carefully in order to find something that is lost or hidden

my bag was searched at the airport | 100 police officers are searching the area

Noun: *search*

Collocates: conduct/carry out a search | a thorough search

police conducted a thorough search (a very detailed search) of the area

- **buscar**

service /ˈsɜ:(r)vis/ Noun

a *service* is a particular area of activity that provides something that people need, like transport, hospitals, electricity, etc.

a regular bus service between Plymouth and Torquay | we need more money for the police service

- **servei**

skill /skɪl/ Noun

a *skill* is an ability to do something well

I've got good computer skills | it's important to keep learning new skills

Adjective: *skilful*

- **habilitat**

stretch /stretʃ/ Verb

if you *stretch* a part of your body, you push it or make it straight, so that the muscles become long

it's important to stretch your muscles before you do exercise | I sat up in bed and stretched

- **estirar**

test /test/ Noun

a *test* is a set of questions that you have to answer in order to show how much you know about a subject

Collocates: a weekly/monthly test | a written/oral test | a practical test

a maths test | you have half an hour to complete the test

Verb: *test*

- **prova / examen**

travel card /ˈtræv(ə)l ,kɑ:(r)d/ Noun

a *travel card* is a ticket that lets you use buses and trains in a city for a certain amount of time

Collocates: a one-day/weekly etc. travel card

buy a travel card and you can go round the city all day | a three-day travel card

- **targeta de viatge**

trouble /ˈtrʌb(ə)l/ Noun uncount

trouble is a problem or difficult situation

Collocates: have (some) trouble

expect a bit of trouble on the M25 because of heavy traffic | we had some trouble finding the hotel

- **problema**

truck /trʌk/ Noun

a *truck* is a very large road vehicle that is used for carrying goods. In British English, the word *lorry* is often used instead of *truck*

Collocates: a truck driver

there was a long line of cars stuck behind a truck | the cafe was full of truck drivers

- **camió**

van /væn/ Noun

a *van* is a road vehicle used for carrying things. *Vans* are bigger than cars but smaller than lorries

the two men were taken away in a police van | I never keep my equipment in the van overnight

- furgoneta

vehicle /'vi:ɪk(ə)l/ Noun

a *vehicle* is a machine with an engine such as a car, van, or lorry, that carries people and or goods on roads

you can hire any sort of vehicle there | 25 vehicles were involved in the accident on the motorway

- vehicle

wardrobe /'wɔ:ʔ(r)dɹəʊb/ Noun

a *wardrobe* is a large cupboard where you can hang your clothes

Collocates: a fitted/built-in wardrobe

there were two wardrobes in the bedroom | a

built-in wardrobe (which is part of the house and cannot be moved)

- armari