List of 750 High-Frequency Words

NOUNS

(name of a person, place, thing, or idea)

A action, afternoon, age, amount, animal, answer, arm, article

B baby, back, bag, ball, bank, beauty, bed, bird, blood, boat, body, box, boy, brother, building, business

C car, (in any) case, cause, centre, century, chair, chance, child(ren), church, circle, city, class, clothes, cloud, college, colour, company, condition, corner, cost, country, (of) course, crowd, cup

D day, date, daughter, deal, death, difference, dinner, direction, distance, doctor, dog, dollar, door, doubt, dream, dress, drink

E ear, earth, east, edge, effort, egg, end, evening, eye

F face, fact, fall, family, farm, father, favor, fellow, field, finger, fire, fish, floor, flower, fly, food, foot (feet), forest, friend, front, fruit, future

G game, garden, girl, glass, gold, government, grass, guess

H hair, hall, hand, hat, head, health, heart, hill, history, hole, home, horse, hour, house, husband

I ice, idea, inch, interest, island

J job, joy

K kitchen, knee

L lady, land, law, leg, letter, life, light, line, lip, (a) lot (of), love

M man (men), matter, meat, meeting, member, middle, mile, milk, minute, Miss (Ms.), moment, money, month, moon, morning, mother, mountain, mouth, music, Mr., Mrs.

N name, nation, nature, neck, neighbor, news, night, north, nose, note, number

O object, ocean, office

P page, pain, pair, pants, paper, part, pastry, past, peace, people, person, picture, piece, place, plant, pleasure, pound, power, price, president, problem, public, purpose

Q quarter, question

R race, rain, reason, report, result, river, road, rock, room, rule

S salt, school, sea, season, seat, shade, shape, skip, shoe, shop, should, side, sight, sign, sir, size, skin, sky, snow, song, soul, south, space, spirit, spot, spring, star, stone, storm, story, street, subject, success, sugar, summer, supply, surprise,

T table, tear, thing, thought, time, today, tomorrow, top, town, tree, trip, trouble, truth

U uncle

V view, voice

W wall, war, watch, water, way, weather, week, west, wind, window, winter, woman (women), wood, word

Y yard, year

VERBS: IRREGULAR (with past forms)

(action or state-of-being words)

B be (was, were), beat (beat), become (became), begin (began), break (broke), bring (brought), build (built), buy (bought)
C catch (caught), come (came), cost (cost), cut (cut)
D do (did), draw (drew), drink (drank), drive (drove)
E eat (ate)
F fall (fell), feed (fed), feel (felt), fight (fought), find (found), fly (flew), forget (forgot), forgive (forgave)
G get (got), gave (gave), go (went), grow (grew)
H hang (hung), have (had), hear (heard), hold (held), hurt (hurt)
K keep (kept), know (knew)
L lay (laid), lead (led), leave (left), let (let), lie (lay), lose (lose)
M make (made), mean (meant), meet (met)
P pay (paid), put (put)
R read (read), ride (rode), rise (rose), run (ran)
S say (said), see (saw), send (sent), set (set), sing (sang), sleep (slept), speak (spoke), spend (spent), spread (spread), stand (stood)
T take (took), teach (taught), tell (told), think (thought)
U understand (understood)
W wear (wore), write (wrote)

VERBS: REGULAR

(action or state-of-being words)

A accept, act, add, admit, agree, allow, appear, arrive, ask
B belong, believe, burn
C call, care, carry, change, close, command, consider, contain, continue, cook, count, cover, cross, cry
D dance, dare, decide, demand, destroy, discover, doubt, dream, drop
E enjoy, enter, escape, expect, explain, express
F fail, fill, finish, force
H happen, help, hope, hurry
I increase, include
J join
K kill, kiss
L laugh, learn, like, listen, live, look, love
M marry, matter, measure, mind, move
N need, notice
O offer, open, order
P pass, pick, pill, plan, plant, play, point, prepare, promise, prove
R rain, reach, realize, remain, remember, reply, return, ring, rush
S save, serve, share, shout, show, smoke, sound, start, stay, step, stop, study, suppose
T talk, taste, thank, touch, travel, try, turn
U use
W wait, walk, want, watch, wish, wonder, work

CONJUNCTIONS

(words that join sentences or sentence parts)

A although, and, as
B because, both...and, but
E either...or
H however
I if
N neither...nor
O or
S since
T therefore, though, thus
U until
W when, where, whether, while
Y yet

ADJECTIVES

(words that describe nouns)

A able, alone, afraid
B bad, beautiful, better, best, big, black, blue, born, bright, brown
C certain, chief, clean, clear, cold, common, complete, cool
D dark, dead, deep, different, dry
E easy
F fair, famous, fast, fine, foreign, free, fresh, full
G glad, good, gray, great, green
H happy, hard, heavy, hot, human, hundred
I ill, important
L large, last, late, little, long, low
M million, modern
N national, natural, new, next, nice
O old, only
P plain, peasant, poor, possible, pretty
Q quiet
R ready, real, red, rich, right, round
S safe, several, short, sick, simple, small, soft, special, square, straight, strong, sure, sweet
T tall, thin, tired, true
V various
W warm, wet, white, whole, wide, wild, wise, wonderful, wrong
Y yellow, young

ADVERBS

(words that describe verbs, adjectives, or other adverbs)

A again, ago, almost, already, also, always, away
B before, better, best
C certainly
E early, else, especially, even, ever
F far, finally, forward
H here, how
I instead
J just
M more
N nearly, necessary, never, no, not, now
O often, once, out, outside
P probably
R rather, really
S so, sometimes, strange, suddenly
T then, there, today, tomorrow
U up, usually
V very
Y yet

PREPOSITIONS

(connectives; start phrases; join nouns or pronouns to the rest of the sentence)

A above, about, across, after, against, along
D down, during
E even
F for, from
I in, into
L less, likely
O of, off, on, over
T through, to, towards
U under, until, up, upon
W with, without, within

PRONOUNS

(replace nouns)

E everything
H he, her, herself, him, himself, his
I I, it, itself
M mine, my, myself
N none, nothing

O one, other, our, ours
S she
T their, them, themselves, they
U us
W we, who, whom, whose, what, which
Y you, your, yourself

AUXILIARIES

(indicate tense/voice; serve as signals [have a meaning])

B be
C can, could
D do
H have
M may, might, must
O ought
S shall, should
W would

QUANTIFIERS

(words that denote quantity/how much)

A all, any
B (a little) bit (of)
D (a great) deal (of)
E eight, either
F first, five, four
N neither, nine
O one
S second, seven, six
T third, thirty, thousand, three, twelve, twenty

DETERMINERS

(modifiers for nouns; include articles, interrogatives, possessives)

A a, an
E each, every
T that, the, these, this