

Commonly Used Words

Commonly Used Pattern I Words

Pattern I

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|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| 1. all | 22. go | 43. mean | 64. say | 85. turn |
| 2. back | 23. good | 44. more | 65. see | 86. two |
| 3. big | 24. great | 45. most | 66. set | 87. up |
| 4. boy | 25. help | 46. much | 67. show | 88. use |
| 5. call | 26. here | 47. must | 68. small | 89. want |
| 6. came | 27. how | 48. my | 69. so | 90. way |
| 7. come | 28. I'm | 49. name | 70. sound | 91. well |
| 8. could | 29. if | 50. new | 71. such | 92. where |
| 9. day | 30. just | 51. no | 72. take | 93. which |
| 10. did | 31. know | 52. not | 73. tell | 94. who |
| 11. do | 32. large | 53. now | 74. that | 95. will |
| 12. does | 33. like | 54. oil | 75. their | 96. word |
| 13. down | 34. line | 55. old | 76. then | 97. work |
| 14. each | 35. live | 56. one | 77. there | 98. would |
| 15. end | 36. long | 57. out | 78. these | 99. write |
| 16. even | 37. look | 58. part | 79. thing | 100. year |
| 17. find | 38. made | 59. place | 80. think | |
| 18. first | 39. make | 60. put | 81. three | |
| 19. form | 40. man | 61. right | 82. through | |
| 20. get | 41. may | 62. said | 83. time | |
| 21. give | 42. me | 63. same | 84. too | |



Top 2,400 Words

The words printed in *red* in Intonation practice exercises are part of the "Top 1,200 Most Commonly Used Words in North American English." In addition, these Commonly Used Words are commonly used adult vocabulary from the "Top 2,400 Most Commonly Used Words in North American English." These words are great adult vocabulary, and challenge you to broaden your language fluency. All High Intermediate+ speakers should be able to use these words in conversation. High Intermediate+ speakers should also be comfortable with various forms of these words that would create changes in time for verbs, and adjectives/adverbs formed from nouns/verbs, plurals, contractions. Can you easily use these words?

Commonly Used Pattern II Words

Pattern II

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| 1. about | 14. amount | 27. belong | 40. effect | 53. itself | 65. subject (verb)* |
| 2. above | 15. appear | 28. below | 41. enjoy | 54. machine | 66. supply |
| 3. across | 16. around | 29. beside | 42. enough | 55. observe | 67. suppose |
| 4. afraid | 17. arrived | 30. between | 43. entire | 56. perhaps | 68. surprise |
| 5. again | 18. away | 31. compare | 44. except | 57. prepared | 69. themselves |
| 6. against | 19. became | 32. complete | 45. expect | 58. produce (verb)* | 70. today |
| 7. agreed | 20. because | 33. contain | 46. explain | 59. provide | 71. until |
| 8. ahead | 21. become | 34. control | 47. express | 60. received | 72. upon |
| 9. allow | 22. before | 35. correct | 48. himself | 61. remain | 73. within |
| 10. alone | 23. began | 36. create | 49. include | 62. report | 74. without |
| 11. along | 24. begin | 37. describe | 50. increase | 63. result | |
| 12. although | 25. behind | 38. design | 51. inside | 64. return | |
| 13. among | 26. believe | 39. direct | 52. instead | | |

* What if this word is used as a noun? What Pattern would it be?

Commonly Used Pattern III Words

Pattern III

1. able	21. covered	41. letter	61. order	81. simple
2. after	22. didn't	42. listen	62. other	82. slowly
3. also	23. difference	43. little	63. over	83. special
4. always	24. different	44. many	64. paper	84. story
5. answer	25. distance	45. matter	65. pattern	85. study
6. any	26. during	46. measure	66. people	86. subject (noun)*
7. being	27. early	47. member(s)	67. person	87. summer
8. better	28. farmers	48. minute(s)	68. picture	88. surface
9. body	29. father	49. money	69. power	89. system
10. building	30. figure	50. morning	70. problem	90. table
11. carefully	31. finally	51. mother	71. product(s)	91. thousand(s)
12. carry	32. forest	52. mountain	72. question(s)	92. travel
13. center	33. general	53. music	73. quickly	93. under
14. certain	34. happened	54. never	74. ready	94. unit
15. children	35. heavy	55. nothing	75. really	95. very
16. circle	36. hundred	56. notice	76. region	96. water
17. city	37. inches	57. number	77. river	97. winter
18. color	38. into	58. object (noun)*	78. second	98. written
19. common	39. island	59. ocean	79. several	
20. country	40. later	60. only	80. shouldn't	

* What if this word is used as a verb? What Pattern would it be?

Commonly Used Pattern IV Words

Pattern IV

1. addition	7. decided*	13. division	19. idea	25. solution
2. already	8. determine	14. electric	20. important	26. suggested*
3. another	9. developed*	15. exactly	21. however	27. together
4. condition(s)	10. direction	16. example	22. position	
5. consider	11. discovered*	17. exciting	23. remember	
6. continued*	12. divided	18. equation	24. repeated	

* What if these -ed past tense verbs were present tense? What Pattern would they be?

Commonly Used Pattern V Words

Pattern V

1. advertise	6. complement (verb)*	11. hesitate	17. operate	23. separate (verb)*
2. alcohol	7. complicate	12. imitate	18. paragraph	24. substitute
3. calculate	8. educate	13. immigrate	19. qualify	25. symbolize
4. certify	9. exercise	14. indicate	20. radio	26. sympathize
5. classify	10. exercise	15. institute	21. recognize	27. universe
		16. interview	22. satisfy	

* What if this word is used as a noun? What Pattern would it be?

Commonly Used Pattern VI Words

Pattern VI

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|--------------|------------------------|--------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| 1. actually | 7. difficult | 13. government | 19. oxygen | 25. scientist(s)* |
| 2. animal | 8. element(s)* | 14. industry | 20. period | 26. similar |
| 3. area | 9. energy | 15. instrument(s)* | 21. possible | 27. substances |
| 4. beautiful | 10. factory/factories* | 16. melody | 22. president | 28. suddenly |
| 5. capital | 11. finally | 17. natural | 23. probably | 29. usually |
| 6. company | 12. general | 18. opposite | 24. property | |

* These words have a plural -s marker. What if these words were singular nouns? What Pattern would they be?

Commonly Used Pattern VII Words

Pattern VII

1. represent
2. understand

Commonly Used Pattern VIII Words

Pattern VIII

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| 1. accusation | 10. composition | 18. entertainment | 27. institution | 36. recognition |
| 2. admiration | 11. conservation | 19. energetic | 28. interference | 37. reproduction |
| 3. application | 12. conscientious | 20. exhibition | 29. interruption | 38. resignation |
| 4. artificial | 13. correspondence/
correspondent | 21. exploration | 30. mathematics | 39. satisfaction |
| 5. calculation | 14. declaration | 22. hesitation | 31. observation | 40. separation |
| 6. cancellation | 15. democratic | 23. horizontal | 32. operation | 41. substitution |
| 7. combination | 16. disappointment | 24. imitation | 33. politician | |
| 8. competition | 17. education | 25. immigration | 34. population | |
| 9. complication | | 26. independence | 35. preservation | |