

GLOSSARY

A

- abandoned (skill 4: passage 47)
something that used to be owned by people but the people have now left it
- absorb (skill 2: passage 23)
take in things such as liquid or other substances from around it
- ache (skill 3: passage 39)
pain but one that is not very strong
- advise (exercise 8)
tell someone what they should do that will be good for them
- adorable (skill 7: passage 90)
feel a liking for someone or something because of an attractive quality he/she/it has
- afar (skill 3: passage 42)
long distance away
- alight (exercise 19)
step out of a vehicle
- all year round (skill 2: passage 17)
the whole year
- amused (exercise 17)
feel that someone or something is funny
- annoyed (exercise 17)
feel irritated
- apply (skill 1: passage 1)
put or spread something
- atmosphere (skill 2: passage 10)
mixture of gases found around the Earth
- attempt (exercise 18)
try
- attraction (skill 2: passage 13)
a place that is interesting with things to see and do
- audience (exercise 15)
group of people watching a performance

B

- bacteria (skill 2: passage 14)
small living things, some of which can cause diseases
- belongings (skill 2: passage 20)
things that a person owns
- bouquet (exercise 11)
how flowers are arranged usually as a gift
- brim (exercise 2)
edge at the top of a container

- brood (skill 2: passage 6)
sit on eggs so they will hatch
- bungalow (skill 5: passage 67)
a large house
- buzz (skill 5: passage 66)
the sound a bee makes

C

- camouflage (skill 2: passage 22)
hide oneself by looking the same as the other things around
- canal (skill 5: passage 64)
long passage in the ground that is usually filled with water
- clay (skill 4: passage 63)
material from the earth that is sticky and can be shaped when wet to make things like pots, pans, etc.
- cling (skill 6: passage 73)
hold tightly
- clutch (exercise 16)
hold tightly
- collide (exercise 16)
hit into something that is moving in another direction
- communicate (skill 6: passage 71)
exchange information with others
- compose (exercise 15)
write a piece of music
- concerned (skill 6: passage 72)
feel worried
- confess (exercise 20)
admit that one has done something wrong
- contented (skill 6: passage 78)
feel happy because one gets what one wants
- coward (skill 6: passage 84)
not brave
- creature (skill 7: passage 90)
living thing
- crew (skill 6: passage 84)
people working on a ship or aeroplane
- crush (skill 4: passage 53)
press very hard to damage something or break it into smaller pieces

D

- decay (skill 2: passage 14)
rot
- defend (skill 2: passage 22)
protect

disappointed (exercise 5)
unhappy because what was hoped for did not happen

discover (skill 1: passage 1)
find out or find something

dried (skill 4: passage 49)
food or flowers with the water in them removed

E

earthquake (skill 6: passage 70)
shaking in the surface of the Earth

ease (exercise 2)
make less

edible (exercise 6)
can be eaten

encourage (exercise 6)
give someone support to do something

erosion (skill 2: passage 16)
way in which rock or soil is destroyed by wind, rain or water

errand (exercise 14)
short journey to do something for someone

eventually (skill 2: passage 14)
at the end

examine (skill 1: passage 1)
look carefully

exhausted (skill 1: passage 2)
very tired

experiment (skill 6: passage 75)
try different methods, etc. to find out if they are good

explorer (skill 6: passage 84)
someone who travels somewhere unknown to find out more about the place

extract (skill 1: passage 1)
remove an object from something

F

fertile (skill 6: passage 87)
referring to land that can produce good crops

fillet (exercise 11)
piece of fish or meat that has no bones

firm (skill 2: passage 24)
not soft

fishmonger (exercise 11)
person who sells fish

fishy (exercise 20)
something that seems suspicious or wrong

fleet (skill 6: passage 84)
group of ships

following (day, week, month year) (skill 2: passage 18)
next

fortunately (exercise 4)
luckily

fragrant (skill 7: passage 91)
nice smell

fulfil (skill 6: passage 84)
achieve something or succeed in doing something

G

gather (skill 1: passage 2)
come together

gesture (exercise 20)
moving a part of the body to say what one means

gill (skill 2: passage 10)
organ at the side of the fish for it to breathe

grand (skill 2: passage 19)
big and important

grassland (skill 7: passage 92)
large piece of land filled with grass

gulp (skill 2: passage 16)
swallow large amounts of food or drink quickly

gust (exercise 8)
sudden strong movement of wind

H

hatch (skill 2: passage 6)
come out of an egg

herbivore (exercise 1)
animal that eats plants

herd (skill 6: passage 85)
group of animals living together

K

knead (skill 2: passage 24)
press a mixture that usually includes flour and water together using one's hands

L

lap (exercise 19)
one end of a swimming pool to another

laundry (skill 3: passage 32)
clothes that need to be washed or have just been washed

leisure (skill 6: passage 74)
time spent doing things one enjoys and not doing work

limbs (skill 3: passage 25)
arms or legs

lose sight of (exercise 11)
unable to see someone or something

luxurious (exercise 3)
expensive and comfortable

M

- mammal (skill 2: passage 22)
animal that drinks its mother's milk when young
- manner (exercise 20)
way
- margarine (skill 1: passage 3)
like butter but made from vegetable oil or animal fat
- marinate (exercise 17)
put meat or fish in spice or sauce before cooking
- mash (skill 2: passage 11)
crush cooked food until it is soft
- meek (exercise 17)
gentle and unwilling to argue
- merely (exercise 20)
only
- movable (skill 3: passage 25)
able to move
- mute (skill 6: passage 75)
cannot speak

N

- nasal (skill 7: passage 91)
associated with the nose
- native (exercise 20)
native of a place is to be born in that place
- nostril (skill 7: passage 91)
two holes at the end of the nose for breathing
- note (skill 2: passage 15)
a musical sound
- numerous (exercise 6)
many

O

- occasionally (exercise 10)
sometimes
- offspring (skill 7: passage 90)
animal's baby
- operate (skill 1: passage 1)
cut open a body to repair something that is damaged

P

- pace (exercise 14)
walk back and forth many times because one is feeling worried
- parcel (skill 3: passage 38)
item or object wrapped in paper and sent by post
- pasteurise (skill 1: passage 4)
liquid that is heated to kill bacteria

- patrol (exercise 20)
go around an area to check for danger
- pest (skill 4: passage 55)
small insects and animals that destroy things such as food and crops
- pitch (skill 1: passage 2)
put up
- pomfret (exercise 11)
type of fish that can be eaten
- praise (skill 3: passage 28)
say good things about someone to show that you approve of the person
- predator (skill 2: passage 22)
animal that kills and eats other animals
- publish (exercise 6)
have a book or magazine printed and sold
- puddle (skill 3: passage 37)
small pool of water
- purr (skill 6: passage 78)
(a cat) makes a soft low sound in the throat

Q

- quill (skill 4: passage 45)
pointed part on the back of a porcupine

R

- raw (skill 2: passage 11)
food that is not cooked
- react (exercise 20)
behave; respond
- receive (skill 2: passage 18)
get
- readily (exercise 1)
quickly and easily
- recipient (skill 4: passage 60)
the person who gets or receives something
- recover (skill 2: passage 20)
get back
- reflect (skill 2: passage 23)
surface that reflects light sends back the light that reaches the surface
- refuse (skill 3: passage 40)
not want to do something
- relieve (skill 1: passage 2)
not have unpleasant feelings
- respond (skill 2: passage 23)
react to something
- right (exercise 2)
immediately; straightaway

S

- safe (skill 3: passage 29)
a strong box with a special lock to keep valuable things
- salmon (exercise 11)
type of fish with pink flesh that can be eaten
- sap (skill 6: passage 77)
substance found in a plant
- satisfying (skill 3: passage 36)
feel pleased
- scale (skill 4: passage 61)
one of the small pieces of skin on a fish
- screech (exercise 14)
sound made by a vehicle when it comes to a sudden stop
- sharp (skill 7: passage 91)
very good ability
- sheepish (exercise 12)
a little embarrassed
- skim off (skill 2: passage 24)
remove something from the top of a liquid
- slight (exercise 2)
small
- snigger (exercise 13)
laugh quietly about something that should not be laughed at
- sole (skill 6: passage 76)
bottom of one's foot
- spate (exercise 20)
large number of similar things happening
- speciality (skill 6: passage 77)
something that a place is well-known for
- species (skill 7: passage 90)
group of plants or animals that is of the same type
- spot (exercise 20)
see
- spring (skill 6: passage 80)
the season when leaves and flowers appear
- stand (skill 2: passage 24)
stay in a place and not move
- stand out (skill 3: passage 42)
easy to see or notice
- starve (exercise 4)
very hungry
- stern (exercise 12)
serious and fierce
- sting (skill 2: passage 22)
the part of an insect that makes a wound in one's skin often causing pain

- stirrups (skill 6: passage 85)
metal rings that one puts one's feet in when riding a horse
- storm (exercise 17)
walk somewhere in a noisy and angry way
- stream (skill 4: passage 48)
small river
- struggle (skill 5: passage 64)
try hard to escape from something
- substance (skill 3: passage 43)
something made of solid, liquid or gas
- suitable (exercise 5)
to be right for someone or something
- surge (exercise 3)
increase quickly
- surroundings (skill 2: passage 22)
the things around a certain place
- survive (skill 2: passage 22)
be alive
- swamp (skill 4: passage 48)
low-lying land that is filled with water
- swelling (exercise 2)
an area of the body that is larger than before due to an injury
- swerve (exercise 16)
make a sudden sideways movement to avoid colliding into something
- swipe (exercise 2)
hit at something
- symphony (exercise 15)
long piece of music with several parts

T

- taken aback (exercise 9)
surprised
- terribly (skill 7: passage 89)
very
- thorny (exercise 18)
sharp and pointed parts
- tick (skill 2: passage 9)
small animal that lives under the skin of animals and sucks the animals' blood
- toss (exercise 17)
throw
- tough (skill 7: passage 89)
difficult

U

- uneasy (exercise 17)
worried and afraid of what is about to happen
- unfortunately (skill 2: passage 19)
unluckily; used to talk about something we wish is not true
- unique (skill 7: passage 92)
only one of its kind and cannot be found elsewhere
- unsteady (exercise 20)
in a shaky way
- unsure (exercise 18)
not certain

V

- varied (exercise 1)
including many different things
- victim (skill 2: passage 20)
someone who has been part of an unpleasant event such as an accident, a robbery, etc.
- vigorous (exercise 16)
to describe a movement that uses a lot of energy
- vinegar (skill 4: passage 54)
sour liquid that is put in food for taste or used to preserve the food
- voyage (skill 6: passage 84)
long journey in a ship

W

- water vapour (skill 6: passage 79)
water in the gaseous state
- wilderness (exercise 3)
large area of land that is not farmed
- wizard (exercise 15)
a person who is good at something
- wrinkle (skill 6: passage 76)
lines on one's skin