

VOCABULARY WORKBOOK

**CHECK YOUR ENGLISH
VOCABULARY FOR**

IELTS

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All you need to pass your exams

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About this workbook

Introduction

This workbook has been written for students who are planning to sit either the general training or the academic modules of the IELTS exam. It covers some of the main vocabulary points that you will need for, or come across in, the listening, reading, writing and speaking sections of the exam.

We hope that you find the modules in this book useful and that the vocabulary you acquire will help you to achieve the grade you want in the IELTS.

Good luck!

Structure of the IELTS Workbook

Each vocabulary area is presented in the form of a self-contained module with task-based activities which present each vocabulary item in a real context.

- Pages 1-53 focus on general vocabulary items which can be used in all aspects of your English. Some of these are relevant to specific tasks in the IELTS exam (for example, describing how something works, writing a letter or describing a table).
- Pages 54-101 focus on topic-specific vocabulary areas which may be required in the exam (for example, education, business and industry or global problems). Each module consists of three tasks: the first two present vocabulary items in context, and the third gives you the opportunity to review the vocabulary in the form of a gap-fill exercise.

Using the IELTS Workbook

You should not go through the modules mechanically. It is better to choose areas that you are unfamiliar with, or areas that you feel are of specific interest or importance to yourself.

Recording Vocabulary

Remember that you should keep a record of new words and expressions that you acquire, and review these on a regular basis so that they become a part of your active vocabulary.

Extending Your Vocabulary

Also remember that there are other methods of acquiring new vocabulary. For example, you should read as much as possible from a different variety of authentic reading materials (books, newspapers, magazines, etc).

Using an English Dictionary

To help you learn English, you should use an English dictionary that can clearly define words, provide information about grammar and give sample sentences to show how words are used in context. You can use any good learner's English dictionary with this workbook, but it has been written using the material in the *Easier English Dictionary for Students* (ISBN 0 7475 6624 0), published by Bloomsbury Publishing (www.bloomsbury.com/reference).

International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

This workbook has been written to help you improve your vocabulary when working towards the *International English Language Testing System* (IELTS) examination. The IELTS English examination is administered by the University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate, The British Council and IDP Education Australia. For further information, visit the www.ucles.org.uk website.