

Academic Word List Vocabulary Cards: Chapter 3

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Reading Practice 1, Andy Goldsworthy's Environmental Art

approach	contemporary
design	element
environmental	inclined
inevitable	notion
temporary	theme
underlying	

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<p>adj. modern, current, up-to-date</p> <p>What kind of contemporary music do you like best? Why?</p>	<p>v. move towards, come up to, draw near</p> <p>How do you approach TOEFL study? Do you find this is an effective method? Why or why not?</p>
<p>n. component, aspect, part</p> <p>What element of life do you most enjoy? Why?</p>	<p>n. plan, shape, pattern</p> <p>What design would you choose for a brand-new home of your choice? Why?</p>
<p>adj. like, liable, likely, apt</p> <p>Why do you feel inclined to continue your schooling?</p>	<p>n. ecological, green</p> <p>How has our environmental crisis caused you to rethink your lifestyle?</p>
<p>n. idea, concept, view</p> <p>What do you think of the notion of environmental art?</p>	<p>n. unavoidable, certain, expected</p> <p>Do you think it is inevitable that you will get married and have kids?</p>
<p>n. subject, topic, idea</p> <p>Would you rather see a film dealing with the theme of the human spirit or romantic love? Why?</p>	<p>adj. short-term, passing, impermanent</p> <p>Which country would you like to visit for a temporary period?</p>
	<p>adj. basic, core, fundamental</p> <p>What are your underlying reasons for learning English?</p>

Reading Practice 2, Ben & Jerry's Eco-biz

ac<u>q</u>u<u>s</u>ition	com<u>m</u>it<u>m</u>ent
corp<u>o</u>rat<u>o</u>tion	exploit<u>a</u>tion
found	in<u>i</u>tiative
<u>r</u>ev<u>e</u>nu<u>e</u>	scheme
team	<u>v</u>ol<u>u</u>me

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<p>n. promise, dedication</p> <p>In what kinds of ways can you demonstrate a commitment to a friendship?</p>	<p>n. gaining, acquiring, purchase</p> <p>Do you think the acquisition of material goods leads to happiness? Why or why not?</p>
<p>n. abuse, mistreatment, use</p> <p>What are your thoughts on the exploitation of workers in developing countries? For instance, what do you think of child labor?</p>	<p>n. business, company, firm, conglomerate</p> <p>Would you prefer to work for a large corporation or run your own small business? Why?</p>
<p>n. plan, proposal, project</p> <p>Can you think of a new initiative that would benefit students in your school? Explain.</p>	<p>v. establish, originate, set up</p> <p>Would kind of organization would you like to found to help others? Why?</p>
<p>adj. plan, secret plan, idea</p> <p>What are some schemes used by men and women to attract partners?</p>	<p>n. income, profits, returns</p> <p>How do you think government revenues would be best spent in your country? Why?</p>
<p>n. amount, quantity, degree</p> <p>Which restaurant near you attracts the highest volume of customers? Why?</p>	<p>n. group, party</p> <p>What are the advantages and disadvantages of working in a team? Explain.</p>

Reading Practice 3, Epigenetics

<u>alter</u>	<u>attach</u>
<u>component</u>	<u>dynamic</u>
<u>emerging</u>	<u>factor</u>
<u>identical</u>	<u>integrity</u>
<u>sequence</u>	<u>supplement</u>
<u>vary</u>	

Reading Practice 3, Epigenetics

<p>v. join, affix, add</p> <p>What kind of meaning do you attach to a university degree? Why?</p>	<p>v. change, modify, adjust</p> <p>What aspect of your physical appearance or personality would you like to alter? Why?</p>
<p>adj. active, changing, energetic</p> <p>Do you think you are a dynamic individual? Why or why not?</p>	<p>n. part, section, element</p> <p>Which component of the TOEFL exam do you find most challenging? Why?</p>
<p>n. influence, aspect, reason</p> <p>What is the major factor that led to your interest in learning English?</p>	<p>adj. new, up-and-coming, rising</p> <p>Which emerging entertainment artist do you like? Why?</p>
<p>n. wholeness, reliability, honor, honesty</p> <p>Do you think you possess integrity? Why or why not?</p>	<p>adj. alike, the same, equal</p> <p>Do you think you should give an identical emphasis to work and pleasure? Why or why not?</p>
<p>v./n. add to, enhance, complement</p> <p>Do you believe in supplementing your diet with vitamins? Why or why not?</p>	<p>n. order, arrangement</p> <p>Do you think the birth sequence of children has any relationship to their personality development? Why or why not?</p>
	<p>v. differ, contrast, change, alter</p> <p>Are you a person who enjoys routine or do you prefer to vary the types of activities you do? Why?</p>

Reading Practice 4, The Big Bang and Parallel Universes

ac<u>com</u>modate	fluctu<u>at</u>ion
for<u>m</u>ulate	fund<u>am</u>ental
dim<u>en</u>sion	exp<u>an</u>sion
int<u>en</u>se	para<u>ll</u>el
ra<u>nd</u>om	scen<u>ar</u>io
ve<u>rs</u>ion	

Reading Practice 4, The Big Bang and Parallel Universes

<p>n. irregular variation, instability</p> <p>Have fluctuations in the stock market affected you or anyone you know in recent years? Explain.</p>	<p>v. house, have room for, contain</p> <p>How many guests can your living space accommodate? Do you like to have guests? Why or why not?</p>
<p>adj. basic, essential, primary</p> <p>What are some of the fundamental differences between your country and countries like the US and Canada?</p>	<p>v. prepare, put together, devise</p> <p>What interesting plans or goals have you formulated for the future? Why have you chosen these plans or goals?</p>
<p>n. growth, development, spreading out</p> <p>What countries are currently undergoing economic expansion? How will this change the world power structure?</p>	<p>n. measurement</p> <p>Do you think there are more than three dimensions? Why or why not?</p>
<p>adj. side-by-side, corresponding, matching</p> <p>Have you ever met a person who was living a life parallel to your own? Explain.</p>	<p>adj. strong, powerful, forceful</p> <p>Do you like intense people? Why or why not?</p>
<p>n. possible situation, circumstances</p> <p>In the best case scenario, where would you like to see yourself in ten years?</p>	<p>adj. chance, unsystematic, haphazard</p> <p>Do you believe that events happen in a random manner or do you believe in destiny? Why?</p>
	<p>v. specific variety, adaptation</p> <p>Why is it that people often report different versions of the same series of events?</p>

Reading Test, Darwin and Evolution #1

adapt<u>a</u>tion	assemb<u>a</u>ble
com<u>p</u>lex	con<u>c</u>eive
evol<u>u</u>tion	interpre<u>t</u>ation
contro<u>v</u>ersial	divers<u>i</u>ty
enorm<u>o</u>us	generat<u>o</u>tion
journal	para<u>g</u>raph

Reading Test, Darwin and Evolution #1

<p>v. collect, gather, amass, accumulate</p> <p>Have you ever assembled a group of people together for a particular purpose? If yes, tell what happened. If not, can you think of a reason you might like to do so in the future?</p>	<p>n. variation, alteration, adjustment, altered copy</p> <p>Have you even seen a film adaptation of a novel? If so, which one? Do you prefer books or movies? Why?</p>
<p>v. imagine, envision, visualize, envisage</p> <p>Can you conceive of a time when you will have achieved all of the goals you have currently set out for yourself? How will you feel at that point? Why?</p>	<p>adj. multipart, multifaceted, complicated, involved</p> <p>Is the English grammar system more complex or simpler than that of your own language? Why?</p>
<p>n. understanding, explanation, analysis</p> <p>Would you like to study dream interpretation? Why or why not?</p>	<p>n. development, progression, advancement</p> <p>According to the Theory of Evolution, humankind evolved from apes. Assuming that this is true, how do you think humans will evolve in the future?</p>
<p>n. variety, assortment, range</p> <p>Why do you think the world has been designed to incorporate such vast diversity?</p>	<p>adj. debatable, hot, contentious, divisive</p> <p>What controversial topic do you like to discuss? Why?</p>
<p>n. group of contemporaries</p> <p>What are the main differences between your generation and your parents' generation? Why?</p>	<p>adj. huge, massive, vast, giant</p> <p>What types of jobs involve enormous responsibility? Would you like to have a job like this? Why or why not?</p>
<p>n. section, group of sentences</p> <p>What are the main parts of a properly written paragraph? Do you have any difficulty in writing one? Why or why not?</p>	<p>n. diary, magazine, academic publication</p> <p>Do you keep a daily journal in English, or do you have an essay journal where you write at least one TOEFL essay per week? Why or why not?</p>

Reading Test, Darwin and Evolution #2

<u>precise</u>	<u>process</u>
<u>publish</u>	<u>resource</u>
<u>section</u>	<u>successive</u>
<u>summarize</u>	<u>survival</u>

Reading Test, Darwin and Evolution #2

<p>n. procedure, method, series of steps</p> <p>What is the process involved in preparing your favorite meal?</p>	<p>adj. exact, accurate, specific</p> <p>Do you know the precise meaning of all of the words on this list? Will you know them by tomorrow? Why or why not?</p>
<p>n. material, supply, wealth, asset</p> <p>What kind of natural resources does your country have in plentiful supply? Which one is most important to its economy? Why?</p>	<p>v. put out, print, distribute</p> <p>Would you like to have a book published? Why or why not?</p>
<p>adj. consecutive, succeeding, following</p> <p>Do you know of a sports team that has won the championship title in two successive years? If so, which team?</p>	<p>n. part, segment, division</p> <p>Which section of the newspaper do you prefer reading? Why?</p>
<p>n. continued existence, endurance</p> <p>Which of your personal attributes assists you most in survival? How?</p>	<p>v. listing main points, reducing, outlining</p> <p>Are you good at summarizing movies you have seen and books you have read? Explain.</p>

Speaking Tasks 3 & 4, Smoking Ban, Chemistry Lab

<u>enforce</u>	<u>ensure</u>
regulation	<u>structure</u>
<u>thereby</u>	be<u>half</u>
con<u>struction</u>	equi<u>ment</u>
off<u>set</u>	ou<u>tput</u>

Speaking Tasks 3 & 4, Smoking Ban, Chemistry Lab

<p>v. make sure, make certain, guarantee</p> <p>What are three things you do to ensure you stay in good health?</p>	<p>v. make obligatory, implement, insist on</p> <p>Do you prefer landlords who enforce the right to quiet enjoyment in an apartment or do you prefer a more lenient approach?</p>
<p>n. building, built object</p> <p>If you could build any sort of structure, such as a bridge, building, or monument, what kind of structure would you build? Why?</p>	<p>n. rule, guideline, law</p> <p>Are there any school or city regulations you disagree with? If so, what are they and why do you disagree with them?</p>
<p>n. as a representative of, for the benefit of</p> <p>If you were speaking on behalf of the citizens of your country, what would be your biggest complaint or grievance?</p>	<p>trans. in this way, thus, in so doing</p> <p>Do you plan to study at an English university, thereby solidifying your knowledge of the language? Why or why not?</p>
<p>n. tools, gear, apparatus</p> <p>What kind of sports equipment do you own? How often do you use it? Why?</p>	<p>n. building, creation, erection</p> <p>Would you support the construction of a new student lounge for your school or would you prefer new classroom furniture? Why?</p>
<p>n. amount produced</p> <p>How much written output can you produce in 30 minutes? Will you be able to write your TOEFL essay in the allotted time?</p>	<p>v. counterbalance, compensate for</p> <p>In conversations with native speakers, how do you offset your lack of comparable vocabulary knowledge?</p>

Speaking Practice 2 and Speaking Test, Residence Manager, Psych 101

fac<u>i</u>lities	per<u>o</u>id
po<u>l</u>icy	pro<u>h</u>ibit
resid<u>e</u>ntial	ac<u>e</u>ss
av<u>a</u>ilable	loc<u>o</u>ate
trans<u>i</u>tion	under<u>o</u>go

Speaking Practice 2 and Speaking Test, Residence Manager, Psych 101

<p>n. length of time</p> <p>For what period of time have you been studying English? Do you consider yourself a fast or slow learner? Why?</p>	<p>v. amenities, services, conveniences</p> <p>What kinds of facilities are important to you in choosing a school, college, or university? Why?</p>
<p>n. forbid, ban, disallow</p> <p>Do you prohibit guests from smoking in your home? Why or why not?</p>	<p>n. plan, guidelines, document</p> <p>Does your school have an “English Only” policy? If yes, does this get on your nerves? If no, do you think it should? Why or why not?</p>
<p>n. admission, right to use, get into, open</p> <p>Have you ever been refused access to social networking websites while at school? Do you believe that schools should have the right to limit online access?</p>	<p>adj. housing</p> <p>Would you rather live in the residential section of a city or in a suburban area? Why?</p>
<p>v. find, place, position</p> <p>Have you ever used social networking sites to locate old friends who may now be living in different locations? If so, do you communicate with them frequently?</p>	<p>adj. obtainable, on hand, untaken</p> <p>Are there a good number of available men or women in your city? Why or why not?</p>
<p>v. go through, experience, endure</p> <p>How would you help a friend or family member who was undergoing difficulties? Have you had the opportunity to do so recently? Explain.</p>	<p>n. change, changeover, move</p> <p>How is the transition from childhood to adulthood marked in your country?</p>

Writing Practice 1, Online Dating Environments

ac<u>com</u>pany	com<u>mu</u>nicate
cri<u>ter</u>ia	dis<u>cre</u>tion
<u>in</u>come	pro<u>spe</u>ctive
<u>pro</u>TOCOL	<u>re</u>gistered
site	sum

Writing Practice 1, Online Dating Environments

<p>v. exchange information, share</p> <p>Can you recall a funny situation related to difficulties you have had trying to communicate in English? Explain.</p>	<p>v. go with, escort, complement</p> <p>If you could go out for an evening with a celebrity, which one would you choose to accompany you? Why?</p>
<p>n. tact, prudence, free choice, will</p> <p>Do you use discretion when talking to your parents about your personal life? Why or why not?</p>	<p>n. factor, standard, measure</p> <p>What criteria do you use when selecting a friend? Why? What criteria do you use when selecting a romantic partner? Why?</p>
<p>adj. potential, future, likely</p> <p>What prospective colleges or universities are you thinking of attending? Why have you identified these particular institutions?</p>	<p>n. salary, pay, earnings</p> <p>What income would you like to earn per year? Why?</p>
<p>adj. enlisted, enrolled, signed up</p> <p>Are you a registered user of any Internet sites? If yes, why? If no, why not?</p>	<p>n. procedure, etiquette, guidelines</p> <p>Would it be proper protocol to contact a professor at home? Why or why not?</p>
<p>n. total, amount, addition</p> <p>What sum will you have to pay for yearly tuition to the college or university of your choice? Do you think what you gain will be worth the money? Why or why not?</p>	<p>n. location, place, website</p> <p>What is the most beautiful site you have ever seen? Explain.</p>

Writing Practice 3, Cooperative Learning

attain	conflict
constructive	cooperative
coordinate	error
grade	integral
primarily	resolve
volunteer	

Writing Practice 3, Cooperative Learning

<p>n. disagreement, argument, difference</p> <p>Do you think conflict in a romantic relationship is a good or a bad thing? Explain.</p>	<p>v. reach, accomplish, achieve</p> <p>Which of your goals is most important for you to attain? Why?</p>
<p>adj. helpful, supportive, mutual</p> <p>Would you say you are more cooperative or more competitive? Why?</p>	<p>adj. positive, useful, productive</p> <p>Do you appreciate constructive criticism or do you take the view that all criticism is bad? Why?</p>
<p>n. mistake, inaccuracy</p> <p>Does it bother you when you make errors in English? Why or why not?</p>	<p>v. organize, direct, manage, match</p> <p>Do you have an easy or difficult time trying to coordinate schedules with friends so that you can enjoy each other's company?</p>
<p>adj. essential, vital, important</p> <p>What is integral to your personal happiness? Why?</p>	<p>n. mark, score, rating</p> <p>In what subject did you attain the highest grade in high school? Are you planning to continue to study this subject? Why or why not?</p>
<p>v. settle, work out, solve</p> <p>Can you describe a recent conflict you have had with someone? How did you resolve it?</p>	<p>adv. chiefly, mainly, mostly</p> <p>Do you think all people are primarily good? Why or why not?</p>
	<p>v./n. offer one's services/unpaid work</p> <p>Have you ever done, or do you want to do, any sort of volunteer work? Why or why not?</p>

Writing Test, Bottled Water

<u>a</u>nnually	e<u>n</u>hance
fin<u>a</u>ncially	<u>i</u>ncident
<u>i</u>nduce	<u>i</u>nspect
<u>l</u>egal	prom<u>o</u>te
source	<u>c</u>hemical

Writing Test, Bottled Water

<p>v. improve, increase, develop</p> <p>Can you think of any way you could enhance your appearance? Is your appearance an important concern? Why or why not?</p>	<p>adv. yearly, per annum, per year</p> <p>Do you like to take vacations annually? Why or why not? When did you last travel? How was the experience?</p>
<p>n. event, occurrence, occasion</p> <p>What recent incident put a smile on your face? Why?</p>	<p>adv. monetarily, economically, money-wise</p> <p>Would you like to be financially independent? Why or why not? How do you think you might achieve this goal?</p>
<p>v. examine, check, look over</p> <p>After writing an essay, do you take the time to inspect it for errors? If yes, how long do you generally take? If not, why not?</p>	<p>v. persuade, encourage, tempt</p> <p>What are some methods you could use to induce a potential date to go out with you?</p>
<p>v. encourage, help, support</p> <p>Can you think of anything you can do as an individual to promote world peace? Why or why not?</p>	<p>adj. lawful, permissible, official</p> <p>Do you think smoking should be legal or illegal? Why?</p>
<p>n. substance, element, compound</p> <p>Do you worry about the chemicals you may be consuming in processed foods and soft drinks? Why or why not?</p>	<p>n. basis, foundation, starting place</p> <p>What kinds of sources can you use in writing an academic research paper? Have you written any of these? If so, what topic was the most interesting to you? Why?</p>