

Word List



advantage [ədvæntidʒ] n.

An advantage is something that helps you.

→ Being tall is an advantage to a basketball player.



Cause [ko:z] v.

To cause is to make something happen.

→ The cold weather caused her to get sick.



choice [tois] n.

A choice is the act or possibility of picking something.

 \rightarrow I had my **choice** of five doors to open.



community [kəmju:nəti] n.

A community is a group of people who live together.

→ The kids from my community usually play together.



o dead [ded] adj.

To be dead is to not be alive.

→ A dead person is usually buried in the ground.



o distance [distans] n.

The distance between two things is how far it is between them.

→ The distance between the Earth and the Moon is 384,400 kilometers.



escape [iskeip] v.

To **escape** is to run away from something bad.

→ The butterfly could not **escape** from the cage.



face [feis] v.

If you face a problem, you deal with it.

→ My sister and I have to find a better way to **face** our differences.



o follow [falou] v.

To follow means to go behind someone and go where they go.

→ The little boy **followed** his mother home.



fright [frait] n.

Fright is the feeling of being scared.

→ She was filled with fright.

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n. ghost [goust] n.

A **ghost** is the spirit of a dead person.

→ Many people are afraid of **ghosts**.



individual [indevidual] n.

An individual is one person.

→ Only one **individual** could win the bicycle race.



pet [pet] n.

A pet is an animal that lives with people.

→ Out of all my **pets**, the dog is my favorite.



reach [ritt] v.

To reach means to arrive at a place.

→ I was happy to finally **reach** my destination.



return [ritə:/n] v.

To return is to go back to a place.

 \rightarrow I was happy to **return** home to my mom after school.



Survive [servaiv] v.

To **survive** is to stay alive.

→ My dog **survived** her fall into the water.



upset [Apset] adj.

To be **upset** is to be unhappy about something.

→ She was **upset** because she broke her toy.



o voice [vois] n.

A voice is the sound a person makes when they talk or sing.

→ He used a microphone, so everyone could hear his voice.



weather [weőə:r] n.

The weather is the condition of the air: hot, rainy, windy, etc.

→ The **weather** can be sunny, rainy, or cold.



o wise [waiz] adi.

To be wise is to use experience and intelligence to make good choices.

 \rightarrow Many people believe that owls are very **wise** animals.

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The Friendly Ghost

A nice woman lived by a large river. She loved children. She wanted to help them in any way. She loved her **community**, and everyone in the community loved her. She lived a very long time and became very **wise**.

When she died, she became a **ghost**. She was **dead**, but every night she **returned** to her community. She wanted to help children and not to **cause** them **fright**. But she had a scary **voice**. Children were afraid of her, but the ghost was a good one. She only scared them to help them.

One night, some children and a dog were playing by the river. They were having fun with their **pet**. But they were far from home. Then the **weather** became bad. It rained and rained. The river was rising. It was very dark. The children knew they were lost. They needed to go north, but they didn't know which direction it was. When the moon came out, they saw a ghost by the river. The ghost said, "Go away!"

The children felt great fright. They knew it was a ghost. Then the ghost moved closer. She yelled again, "Go away!" The children became very **upset**. Some of them began to cry. The children knew they had a **choice**: they could **escape**, or they could stay and **face** this scary **individual** in the dark.

The children ran a long **distance** away. The ghost **followed** them all the way.

