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- a** *adjective* (called the *indefinite article* and changing to **an** before most vowel sounds) **1** one (but not any special one), *Can you lend me a book?* **2** each; per, *We can see it once a day or once an hour.*
- a⁻¹** *prefix* **1** on; to; towards (as in *afloat, ashore, aside*). **2** in the process of (as in *a-hunting*).
- a⁻²** *prefix* (**an-** is used before a vowel sound) not; without (as in *asymmetrical, anarchy*). [from Greek *a-* = not]
- aardvark** (say *ahd-vahk*) *noun* an African animal with a pig-like body and a tubular snout, feeding on termites. [from Afrikaans *aarde* = earth, + *vark* = pig]
- ab-** *prefix* (changing to **abs-** before *c* and *t*) away; from (as in *abduct, abnormal, abstract*). [from Latin *ab* = away]
- aback** *adverb* taken **aback** surprised.
- abacus** (say *ab-uh-kuhs*) *noun* (plural *abacuses*) a frame used for counting with beads sliding on wires. [Latin from Greek from Hebrew]
- abalone** (say *ab-uh-loh-nee*) *noun* an edible mollusc with a shell lined with mother-of-pearl.
- abandon¹** *verb* **1** give up. **2** leave a person, thing, or place without intending to return, *Abandon ship!* **abandonment** *noun*
- abandon²** *noun* a casual and careless manner, *dancing with great abandon.*
- abase** *verb* (**abased, abasing**) humiliate.
- abashed** *adjective* embarrassed.
- abate** *verb* (**abated, abating**) make or become less; die down, *The storm had abated.* **abatement** *noun*
- abattoir** (say *ab-uh-twah*) *noun* a place where animals are killed for food. [French]
- abbess** *noun* the head of an abbey of nuns.
- abbey** *noun* (plural *abbeys*) **1** a monastery or convent. **2** a church that was once part of a monastery, *Westminster Abbey.*
- abbot** *noun* the head of an abbey of monks.
- abbreviate** *verb* (**abbreviated, abbreviating**) shorten something.
- abbreviation** *noun* **1** a shortened form of a word or words, such as *maths, TV, USA*. **2** abbreviating something.
- ABC** *noun* **1** a name for the alphabet, *We know our ABC.* **2** Australian Broadcasting Corporation.
- abdicate** *verb* (**abdicated, abdicating**) resign from a throne; give up an important responsibility. **abdication** *noun*
- abdomen** (say *ab-duh-muhn*) *noun* **1** the lower front part of a person's or animal's body, containing the stomach, intestines, and other digestive organs. **2** the rear section of an insect's body. **abdominal** (say *ab-dom-uh-nuhl*) *adjective*
- abduct** *verb* take a person away illegally; kidnap. **abduction** *noun*, **abductor** *noun* [from *ab-*, + Latin *ductum* = led]
- aberration** (say *ab-uh-ray-shuhn*) *noun* a deviation from what is normal.
- abet** *verb* (**abetted, abetting**) help or encourage someone to commit a crime. **abetter** or **abettor** *noun*
- abeyance** (say *uh-bay-uhns*) *noun* in **abeyance** suspended or postponed.
- abhor** *verb* (**abhorred, abhorring**) detest. **abhorrence** *noun*, **abhorrent** *adjective* [from Latin *abhorrere* = shrink in fear]
- abide** *verb* (**abided** (in sense **1** **abode**), **abiding**) **1** (*old use*) remain; dwell. **2** bear; tolerate, *I can't abide flies.* **abide by** keep a promise; act in accordance with a rule or decision.
- abiding** *adjective* lasting; permanent.
- ability** *noun* (plural *abilities*) **1** being able to do something. **2** cleverness; talent.
- abiotic** *adjective* not having life.
- abject** (say *ab-jekt*) *adjective* **1** wretched; miserable, *living in abject poverty*. **2** humble, *an abject apology*. [from *ab-*, + Latin *-jectum* = thrown]
- ablaze** *adjective* blazing; on fire.
- able** *adjective* **1** having the power or skill or opportunity to do something. **2** skilful; clever. **ably** *adverb*
- ablution** *noun* ceremonial washing of the hands or sacred vessels.
- ablutions** *plural noun* (*informal*) washing yourself, *perform your ablutions.*
- abnormal** *adjective* not normal; unusual. **abnormality** *noun*, **abnormally** *adverb*
- aboard** *adverb & preposition* on or into a ship or aircraft or train.
- abode¹** *noun* (*old use*) the place where someone lives.
- abode²** *past tense & past participle* of **abide**.
- abolish** *verb* put an end to. **abolition** (say *ab-uh-lish-uhn*) *noun*
- abominable** *adjective* very bad; detestable. **abominably** *adverb*
- abominate** *verb* (**abominated, abominating**) detest. **abomination** *noun*
- aboriginal¹** *adjective* **1** inhabiting or existing in a land from the earliest times. **2** (**Aboriginal**) of Australian Aboriginal people.
- aboriginal²** *noun* **1** an aboriginal inhabitant of a place. **2** (**Aboriginal**) a person belonging to one of the indigenous peoples of Australia. **3** (*informal*) (**Aboriginal**) any of the numerous Australian Aboriginal languages.
- Aboriginality** *noun* **1** the quality of being Aboriginal. **2** Aboriginal culture.
- aborigine** (say *ab-uh-rij-uh-nee*) *noun* (plural *aborigines*) **1** an original inhabitant of a place. **2** (**Aborigine**) an aboriginal inhabitant of Australia. [from Latin *ab origine* = from the beginning]
- abort** *verb* put an end to something before it has been completed, *They aborted the space flight because of problems.*
- abortion** *noun* removal of a foetus from the womb before it has developed enough to survive.
- abortive** *adjective* unsuccessful, *an abortive attempt.*
- abound** *verb* **1** be plentiful or abundant, *Fish abound in the river.* **2** have something in great quantities, *The river abounds in fish.*
- about¹** *preposition* **1** near in amount or size or time; approximately, *It costs about \$5; Come about two o'clock.* **2** on the subject of; in connection with, *Tell me about your holiday.* **3** all round; in various parts of, *They ran about the yard.*
- about²** *adverb* **1** approximately. **2** in various directions, *They were running about.* **3** not far away, *He is somewhere about.* **be about to** be going to do something.
- about-face** *noun* (also **about-turn**) a reversal of previous actions or opinions.
- above¹** *preposition* **1** higher than. **2** more than.
- above²** *adverb* **1** at or to a higher place. **2** earlier in a book or article, *mentioned above.*
- above board¹** *adjective* legitimate, honest, and open.
- above board²** *adverb* in a legitimate, honest, and open way.
- abrade** *verb* (**abraded, abrading**) scrape or wear something away by rubbing it. **abrasion** *noun*
- abrasive¹** *adjective* **1** that abrades things. **2** harsh, *an abrasive manner.*
- abrasive²** *noun* a rough substance used for rubbing or polishing things.
- abreast** *adverb* **1** side by side. **2** keeping up with something.
- abridge** *verb* (**abridged, abridging**) shorten, especially by using fewer words, *an abridged edition.*
- abridgement** *noun* [from Old French *abregier* = shorten]
- abroad** *adverb* in or to another country.
- abrupt** *adjective* **1** sudden; hasty. **2** brief and rude. **abruptly** *adverb*, **abruptness** *noun* [from *ab-*, + Latin *ruptum* = broken]
- ABS** *abbreviation* **1** anti-lock braking system. **2** Australian Bureau of Statistics.
- abs-** *prefix* see **ab-**.
- abscess** (say *ab-suhs*) *noun* (plural *abscesses*) an inflamed place where pus has formed in the body.
- abscond** *verb* go away secretly, *The cashier had absconded with the money.*
- aseil** (say *ab-sayl*) *verb* descend a rock face using a doubled rope that is fixed at a higher point.
- absence** *noun* **1** being away; the period of this. **2** a lack of something.
- absent¹** (say *ab-suhnt*) *adjective* not here; not present, *absent from school.*
- absent²** (say *ab-sent*) *verb* **absent yourself** stay away.
- absentee** *noun* a person who is absent. **absenteeism** *noun*
- absent-minded** *adjective* having your mind on other things; forgetful.
- absolute** *adjective* **1** complete. **2** not restricted. [same origin as *absolve*]
- absolutely** *adverb* **1** completely. **2** (*informal*) yes, **1** agree.
- absolute majority** *noun* a majority over all rivals combined; more than half.
- absolution** *noun* a priest's formal declaration that people's sins are forgiven.
- absolve** *verb* (**absolved, absolving**) **1** clear a person of blame or guilt. **2** release from a promise or obligation. [from *ab-*, + Latin *solvere* = set free]
- absorb** *verb* **1** soak up; take in. **2** receive something and reduce its effects, *The buffers absorbed most of the shock.* **3** take up a person's attention or time. **absorbent** *adjective*, **absorption** *noun*
- absorbing** *adjective* intensely interesting; engrossing, *an absorbing book.*
- abstain** *verb* keep yourself from doing something (e.g. from voting); refrain. **abstainer** *noun*, **abstention** *noun*
- abstemious** (say *uhb-stee-mee-uhz*) *adjective* eating or drinking only small amounts; not greedy. **abstemiously** *adverb*, **abstemiousness** *noun*
- abstinence** *noun* abstaining, especially from alcohol. **abstinent** *adjective*
- abstract¹** (say *ab-strakt*) *adjective* **1** concerned with ideas, not with objects, *Truth is abstract.* **2** (of a painting or sculpture) showing the artist's ideas or feelings, not showing a recognisable person or thing.
- abstract²** *noun* a summary. [from *abs-*, + Latin *tractum* = pulled]
- abstracted** *adjective* with your mind on other things; not paying attention.
- abstract noun** *noun* a noun denoting an idea, quality, state, or action.
- abstruse** (say *uhb-stroos*) *adjective* hard to understand; obscure.
- absurd** *adjective* ridiculous; foolish. **absurdity** *noun*, **absurdly** *adverb* [from Latin *absurdus* = out of tune]
- abundance** *noun* plenty.
- abundant** *adjective* plentiful. **abundantly** *adverb*
- abuse¹** (say *uh-byooz*) *verb* (**abused, abusing**) **1** use badly or wrongly; misuse. **2** ill-treat. **3** say unpleasant things to a person or thing.
- abuse²** (say *uh-byoos*) *noun* **1** a misuse. **2** ill-treatment. **3** words abusing a person or thing; insults. **abusive** *adjective* [from *ab-* + *use*]
- abut** *verb* (**abuted, abutting**) end against something, *Their shed abuts against ours.* **abutment** *noun*
- abysmal** (say *uh-biz-muhl*) *adjective* extremely bad, *abysmal ignorance.*
- abyss** (say *uh-bis*) *noun* (plural *abyssees*) an extremely deep pit.
- AC** *abbreviation* **1** (also **ac**) alternating current. **2** Companion of the Order of Australia.
- ac-** *prefix* see **ad-**.
- acacia** (say *uh-kay-shuh*) *noun* any tree or shrub of the genus *Acacia*, to which wattles belong.
- academic** *adjective* **1** of a school or college or university. **2** scholarly. **3** theoretical; having no practical application.
- academy** *noun* (plural *academies*) **1** a school or college, especially for specialised training. **2** a society of scholars, *The Australian Academy of Science.*
- a cappella** (say *ah kuh-pel-uh*) *adverb & adjective* (of choral music) sung without instrumental accompaniment.
- accede** (say *ak-seed*) *verb* **1** agree to what is asked or suggested, *accede to a request.* **2** take office; become king or queen, *accede to the throne.* [from *ac-*, + Latin *cedere* = go]
- accelerate** *verb* (**accelerated, accelerating**) **1** make or become quicker. **2** happen or cause to happen earlier or more quickly. **acceleration** *noun* [from *ac-*, + Latin *celer* = swift]
- accelerator** *noun* something that speeds things up; the pedal that a driver presses to make a motor vehicle go faster.
- accent¹** (say *ak-sent*) *noun* **1** the way a person pronounces words, *She has a French accent.* **2** emphasis; pronouncing part of a word more strongly than the rest, *In 'action', the accent is on 'ac-'. 3* a mark placed over a letter to show its pronunciation, e.g. in *café.*
- accent²** (say *ak-sent*) *verb* pronounce part of a word more strongly than the other parts; emphasise.

accentuate (say ak-sen-choo-ayt) *verb* (accentuated, accentuating) emphasise; accent. **accentuation** *noun*

accept *verb* 1 take a thing that is offered or presented. 2 say yes to an offer or invitation. **acceptance** *noun*

Usage Do not confuse *accept* with *except*.

acceptable *adjective* worth accepting; pleasing. **acceptability** *noun*, **acceptably** *adverb*

access¹ (say ak-ses) *noun* a way in; a way to reach something.

access² *verb* find information that has been stored in a computer.

Usage Do not confuse *access* with *excess*.

accessible *adjective* able to be reached. **accessibility** *noun*, **accessibly** *adverb*

accession *noun* 1 reaching a rank or position. 2 an addition, *recent accessions to the library*.

accessory (say uhk-ses-uh-ree) *noun* (plural accessories) 1 an extra thing that goes with something. 2 a person who helps another with a crime.

accident *noun* an unexpected happening, especially one causing injury or damage.
by accident by chance; without its being arranged in advance. [from *ac-*, + Latin *cadens* = falling]

accidental *adjective* happening or done by accident. **accidentally** *adverb*

acclaim¹ *verb* praise enthusiastically and publicly. **acclamation** *noun* [from *ac-*, + Latin *clamare* = to shout]

acclaim² *noun* enthusiastic and public praise.

acclimatise *verb* (acclimatised, acclimatising) make or become used to a new climate or new conditions. **acclimatisation** *noun*

accolade (say ak-uh-layd) *noun* 1 praise. 2 the ceremonial conferring of a knighthood by tapping a person on the shoulders with a sword.

accommodate *verb* (accommodated, accommodating) 1 provide room or lodging for somebody. 2 help by providing something. *We can accommodate you with skis*.

accommodation *noun* somewhere to live; lodgings.

accompanist *noun* a person who plays a musical accompaniment.

accompany *verb* (accompanied, accompanying) 1 go somewhere with somebody. 2 be present with something. *Thunder accompanied the storm*. 3 play music that supports a singer or another player. **accompaniment** *noun*

accomplice (say uh-kum-pluhs) *noun* a person who helps another in a crime or wrongdoing.

accomplish *verb* do something successfully. **accomplishment** *noun*

accomplished *adjective* skilled.

accord¹ *noun* 1 agreement; consent. 2 a formal agreement or treaty.
of your own accord voluntarily; without being asked or compelled.

accord² *verb* 1 be consistent with something. 2 (formal) give. *He was accorded this privilege*.

accordance *noun* in accordance with agreement with, *This is done in accordance with the rules*.

according *adverb* according to 1 as stated by, *According to him, she's a genius*. 2 in a way that suits, *Price the apples according to their size*.

accordingly *adverb* 1 in the way that is required, *It's a formal occasion, so please dress accordingly*. 2 therefore.

accordion *noun* a portable musical instrument like a large concertina with bellows, metal reeds, and keys or buttons. **accordionist** *noun*

acost *verb* approach and speak to a person.

account¹ *noun* 1 a statement of money owed, spent, or received; a bill. 2 an arrangement to keep money in a bank or firm. 3 a description; a report.

on no account of because of.
on no account certainly not.

take into account consider.
account² *verb* **account for** make it clear why something happens.

accountable *adjective* responsible; having to explain why you have done something. **accountability** *noun*

accountant *noun* a keeper or inspector of financial accounts. **accountancy** *noun*

accounting *noun* keeping financial accounts.

accredited *adjective* officially recognised, *our accredited agent*.

accrue (say uh-kroo) *verb* (accrued, accruing) accumulate. **accrual** *noun*

accumulate *verb* (accumulated, accumulating) 1 collect; pile up.

2 grow numerous; increase.
accumulation *noun* [from *ac-*, + Latin *cumulus* = heap]

accumulator *noun* a storage battery.

accurate *adjective* correct; exact. **accuracy** *noun*, **accurately** *adverb*

accuse *verb* (accused, accusing) claim that someone has done something wrong; blame. **accusation** *noun*, **accuser** *noun*

accustom *verb* make a person become used to something. [from *ac-* + *custom*]

accustomed *adjective* customary; usual.

ace *noun* 1 a playing card with one spot. 2 a very skilful person or thing.

acetylene (say uh-set-uh-leen) *noun* a gas that burns with a bright flame, used in cutting and welding metal.

ache¹ *noun* 1 a dull continuous pain. 2 mental distress.

ache² *verb* (ached, aching) have an ache.

achieve *verb* (achieved, achieving) succeed in doing or producing something; accomplish. **achievable** *adjective*, **achievement** *noun* [from Old French *a chief* = to a head]

acid¹ *noun* a chemical substance that contains hydrogen and neutralises alkalis. **acidic** *adjective*, **acidity** *noun*

acid² *adjective* 1 sharp-tasting; sour. 2 looking or sounding bitter, *an acid reply*. **acidly** *adverb*

acid rain *noun* rain made acid by mixing with waste gases from industrial processes such as power generation.

acid test *noun* a severe or conclusive test.

acknowledge *verb* (acknowledged, acknowledging) 1 admit that something is true. 2 state that you have received or noticed something. *Acknowledge this letter*. 3 express thanks or appreciation for something.

acknowledgement *noun* (also **acknowledgment**) 1 acceptance of the truth or existence of something. 2 a letter confirming receipt of something. 3 the expression of gratitude or appreciation for something.

acknowledgement of country *noun* (Australian) a formal recognition of the traditional Aboriginal owners of the land.

acme (say ak-mee) *noun* the highest degree of something, *the acme of perfection*. [from Greek *akme* = highest point]

acne (say ak-nee) *noun* inflamed red pimples on the face and neck.

acorn *noun* the seed of the oak tree.

acoustic (say uh-koo-stik) *adjective* 1 of sound or hearing. 2 (of a musical instrument) not electronic, *an acoustic guitar*. **acoustically** *adverb* [from Greek *akouein* = hear]

acoustics *plural noun* 1 the qualities of a room or building that make it good or bad for carrying sound. 2 the properties of sound.

acquaint *verb* tell somebody about something. *Acquaint him with the facts*.

be acquainted with know slightly.

acquaintance *noun* 1 a person you know slightly. 2 being acquainted.

acquiesce (say ak-wee-es) *verb* (acquiesced, acquiescing) agree to something. **acquiescence** *noun*, **acquiescent** *adjective*

acquire *verb* (acquired, acquiring) obtain. **acquisition** *noun* [from *ac-*, + Latin *quaerere* = seek]

acquisitive (say uh-kwiz-uh-tiv) *adjective* eager to acquire things.

acquit *verb* (acquitted, acquitting) decide that somebody is not guilty. **acquittal** *noun*

acre (say ay-kuh) *noun* an area of land measuring 0.405 hectares. **acreage** *noun*

acrid *adjective* bitter, *an acrid smell*.

acrimonious (say ak-ruh-moh-nee-uhs) *adjective* (of a person's manner or words) sharp and bad-tempered or bitter. **acrimony** (say ak-ruh-muh-nee) *noun*

acrobat *noun* a person who performs spectacular gymnastic stunts for entertainment. **acrobat** *adjective*, **acrobatics** *plural noun* [from Greek *akrobatos* = walking on tiptoe]

acronym (say ak-ruh-nim) *noun* a word or name formed from the initial letters of other words, *ASEAN is an acronym of Association of South East Asian Nations*. [from Greek *akros* = top, + *onyma* = name]

across *preposition & adverb* 1 from one side to the other, *Swim across the river*. *Are you across yet?* 2 on the opposite side, *the house across the street*.

across the board applying to all.

acrostic *noun* a word puzzle or poem in which the first or last letters of each line form a word or words.

acrylic (say uh-kril-ik) *noun* a kind of fibre, plastic, or resin made from an organic acid.

act¹ *noun* 1 an action. 2 a law passed by a parliament. 3 one of the main divisions of a play or opera. 4 a short performance in a program of entertainment, *a juggling act*. 5 (informal) a pretence, *She is only putting on an act*.

act² *verb* 1 do something; behave; perform actions. 2 perform a part in a play or film. 3 function; have an effect. 4 pretend. [from Latin *actum* = done]

acting *adjective* serving temporarily, especially as a substitute, *the acting principal*.

action *noun* 1 doing something. 2 something done. 3 a battle; fighting, *He was killed in action*. 4 a lawsuit. 5 a series of events in a story or play. 6 exciting activity, *an*

action-packed holiday. 7 the mechanism of an instrument.

out of action not functioning.

take action do something.

activate *verb* (activated, activating) start something working. **activation** *noun*, **activator** *noun*

active *adjective* 1 doing things; moving about; taking part in activities.

2 functioning; in operation, *an active volcano*. 3 radioactive. 4 (of a form of a verb) used when the subject of the verb is performing the action. In *'Tom washed the car'* the verb is active; in *'The car was washed by Tom'* the verb is passive. (Compare **passive**.) **actively** *adverb*, **activeness** *noun*

activist *noun* a person who believes in vigorous action, especially in politics.

activity *noun* (plural activities) 1 an action or occupation, *outdoor activities*. 2 being active or lively.

actor *noun* a performer in a play or film.

actress *noun* a female actor.

actual *adjective* real. **actuality** *noun*, **actually** *adverb*

actuate *verb* (actuated, actuating) activate. **actuation** *noun*

acumen (say ak-yuh-muhn) *noun* sharpness of mind. [Latin, = a point]

acupuncture (say ak-yuh-pungk-chuh) *noun* pricking parts of the body with needles to relieve pain or cure disease. **acupuncturist** *noun* [from Latin *acu* = with a needle, + *punctura*]

acute *adjective* 1 sharp; strong, *acute pain*. 2 having a sharp mind. 3 (of an illness) coming quickly to a crisis, *acute appendicitis*. **acutely** *adverb*, **acuteness** *noun*

acute accent *noun* a mark over a vowel, as over *e* in *café*.

acute angle *noun* an angle of less than 90°.

AD *abbreviation* Anno Domini (Latin = in the year of Our Lord), used in dates counted from the birth of Jesus Christ, *The Roman Emperor Nero died in AD 68*.

ad- *prefix* (changing to *ac-*, *af-*, *ag-*, *al-*, *an-*, *ap-*, *ar-*, *as-*, *at-* before certain consonants) to; towards (as in *adapt*, *admit*). [from Latin *ad* = to]

adage (say ad-ij) *noun* a short saying; a proverb.

adagio (say uh-dah-zhee-oh) *adverb & adjective* (in music) in slow time. [Italian]

adamant (say ad-uh-muhnt) *adjective* firm and not giving way to requests.

Adam's apple *noun* the lump at the front of a man's neck.

adapt *verb* make or become suitable for a new purpose or situation.

adaptable *adjective* [from *ad-*, + Latin *aptus* = fitted]

adaptation *noun* 1 the process of adapting or being adapted. 2 a thing that has been adapted. 3 the process by which an organism or species becomes suited to its environment, *Living in groups is an adaptation to increase the efficiency of hunting*.

adaptor *noun* a device to connect pieces of electrical or other equipment.

ADD *abbreviation* attention deficit disorder.

add *verb* 1 put one thing with another.

2 make another remark.

add to increase.

add up 1 make or find a total.

2 (informal) make sense; seem reasonable.

add up to amount to.

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- abandon**¹ *verb* 1 abdicate, cancel, chuck in (*informal*), discontinue, drop, forgo, give up, quit, resign, scrap, surrender, throw in (*informal*), waive, yield. 2 (*abandon a person*) desert, ditch (*informal*), forsake, jilt, leave, leave in the lurch, run out on (*informal*), walk out on (*informal*); (*abandon a place*) evacuate, leave, quit, vacate.
- abate** *verb* decrease, die down, ease, moderate, subside, weaken.
- abbey** *noun* 1 convent, friary, monastery, nunnery, priory, religious house.
- abbreviate** *verb* abridge, contract, cut, reduce, shorten, truncate.
- abbreviation** *noun* 1 acronym, contraction, shortening.
- abdicate** *verb* quit, resign, stand down, step down; see also RENOUNCE.
- abdomen** *noun* 1 belly, gut (*informal*), insides (*informal*), intestines, paunch, stomach, tummy (*informal*).
- abduct** *verb* carry off, kidnap, seize, snatch (*informal*).
- aberration** *noun* abnormality, anomaly, deviation, peculiarity, variation.
- abet** *verb* aid, assist, encourage, help, incite, support.
- abhor** *verb* abominate, detest, hate, loathe, recoil from, shrink from.
- abhorrent** *adjective* abominable, detestable, disgusting, hateful, horrid, loathsome, odious, repugnant, repulsive, revolting.
- abide** *verb* 1 dwell, live, remain, reside, stay. 2 bear, endure, put up with, stand, stomach, suffer, take, tolerate.
- abide by** accept, adhere to, agree to, comply with, conform to, follow, keep to, obey, observe, stick to.
- abiding** *adjective* endless, enduring, eternal, everlasting, lasting, permanent, steadfast, unending.
- ability** *noun* 1 capability, capacity, potential, power, strength. 2 aptitude, capability, capacity, cleverness, competence, expertise, facility, flair, genius, gift, knack, know-how, potential, proficiency, prowess, skill, talent.
- able** *adjective* 1 allowed, authorised, available, eligible, fit, free, permitted. 2 accomplished, adept, adroit, capable, clever, competent, gifted, intelligent, proficient, qualified, skilful, talented.
- abnormal** *adjective* anomalous, atypical, bizarre, curious, deviant, eccentric, exceptional, extraordinary, freakish, irregular, odd, peculiar, rare, singular, strange, uncommon, unconventional, unnatural, unusual, weird.
- abnormality** *noun* anomaly, deformity, irregularity, malformation, peculiarity.
- abolish** *verb* cancel, do away with, eliminate, end, eradicate, extinguish, get rid of, put an end to, remove, stamp out, wipe out.
- abolition** *noun* cancellation, elimination, ending, eradication, removal.
- abominable** *adjective* abhorrent, appalling, atrocious, base, contemptible, despicable, detestable, disgusting, execrable, foul, hateful, heinous, horrible, loathsome, obnoxious, odious, repugnant, repulsive, terrible, vile.
- abominate** *verb* abhor, detest, hate, loathe.
- aboriginal**¹ *adjective* 1 earliest, first, indigenous, native, original.
- aboriginal**² *noun* 1 aborigine, indigene, local, original inhabitant.
- aborigine** *noun* 1 see ABORIGINAL².
- abortion** *noun* (*when spontaneous*) miscarriage, (*when induced*) termination.
- abortive** *adjective* failed, fruitless, futile, ineffective, unsuccessful, vain.
- abound** *verb* 1 be abundant, be plentiful, flourish, proliferate, thrive. 2 be full, overflow, swarm, teem.
- about**¹ *preposition* 1 around, close to, near. 2 concerning, connected with, dealing with, involving, on, regarding, relating to.
- about**² *adverb* 1 almost, approximately, around, more or less, nearly, roughly. 3 around, hereabouts, near, nearby.
- be about to** be going to, be on the brink of, be on the point of, be on the verge of, be ready to.
- above**¹ *preposition* 1 higher than, on top of, over, superior to. 2 beyond, exceeding, greater than, higher than, more than, over.
- above**² *adverb* 1 on high, overhead, upstairs. 2 before, earlier, previously.
- above board**¹ *adjective* clean, fair, honest, honourable, legal, legitimate, open, straight.
- above board**² *adverb* cleanly, fairly, honestly, honourably, legally, legitimately, openly.
- abrade** *verb* corrode, erode, scrape, wear, wear away, wear down.
- abrasion** *noun* graze, lesion, scrape, scratch.
- abridge** *verb* abbreviate, condense, cut, edit, reduce, shorten, trim.
- abroad** *adverb* overseas.
- abrupt** *adjective* 1 hasty, precipitate, quick, rapid, sharp, sudden, swift, unexpected. 2 blunt, brisk, brusque, curt, gruff, impolite, rude, short.
- abscond** *verb* bolt, disappear, escape, flee, make off, nick off (*Australian informal*), run off, shoot through (*Australian informal*).
- absence** *noun* 1 absenteeism, non-attendance, truancy. 2 dearth, deficiency, lack, want.
- absent**¹ *adjective* away, elsewhere, missing, off.
- absent-minded** *adjective* abstracted, daydreaming, distracted, dreamy, forgetful, inattentive, oblivious, preoccupied, scatterbrained, scatty (*informal*), vague.
- absolute** *adjective* 1 complete, downright, out-and-out, outright, perfect, positive, pure, sheer, thorough, total, unmitigated, unqualified, utter. 2 autocratic, complete, omnipotent, sovereign, supreme, total, unconditional, unlimited, unqualified, unrestricted.
- absolution** *noun* forgiveness, pardon, remission.
- absolve** *verb* 1 acquit, clear, exonerate, forgive, pardon, vindicate. 2 discharge, excuse, exempt, free, release, set free.
- absorb** *verb* 1 (*absorb liquid*) draw up, mop up, soak up, suck up, take up; (*absorb information*) assimilate, digest, take in. 3 captivate, capture, engage, engross, interest, monopolise, occupy, preoccupy.
- absorbing** *adjective* captivating, engrossing, fascinating, gripping, interesting, riveting.
- abstain** *verb* (*abstain from*) avoid, decline, desist from, do without, forgo, go without, refrain from.
- abstinence** *noun* non-indulgence, self-denial, sobriety, teetotalism, temperance.
- abstract**¹ *adjective* 1 academic, conceptual, intangible, intellectual, theoretical.
- abstract**² *noun* outline, precis, resumé, summary, synopsis.
- absurd** *adjective* comic, crazy, farcical, foolish, funny, illogical, inane, laughable, ludicrous, mad, nonsensical, outrageous, preposterous, ridiculous, senseless, silly, strange, stupid, unreasonable, zany.
- abundance** *noun* heaps (*informal*), lashings (*informal*), loads (*informal*), lots (*informal*), oodles (*informal*), plenty, stacks (*informal*), tons (*informal*), wealth.
- abundant** *adjective* ample, bountiful, copious, generous, lavish, liberal, overflowing, plentiful, profuse, teeming.
- abuse**¹ *verb* 1 exploit, misuse. 2 assault, damage, harm, hurt, ill-treat, maltreat, mistreat, molest. 3 attack, be rude to, curse, denigrate, disparage, insult, revile, slander, swear at.
- abuse**² *noun* 2 assault, exploitation, ill-treatment, maltreatment, mistreatment. 3 calumny, curses, denigration, insults, invective, obscenities, revilement, slander, swearing, vilification, vituperation.
- abusive** *adjective* derogatory, disparaging, foul-mouthed, impolite, insulting, obscene, offensive, pejorative, rude, scornful, scurrilous, slanderous.
- abyss** *noun* bottomless pit, chasm, hole.
- academic** *adjective* 1 educational, pedagogic, scholastic. 2 bookish, erudite, highbrow, intellectual, learned, scholarly, studious. 3 abstract, hypothetical, speculative, theoretical.
- accelerate** *verb* 1 go faster, quicken, speed up, step on it (*informal*). 2 expedite, hasten, speed up, step up.
- accent**¹ *noun* 1 brogue, dialect, intonation, pronunciation. 2 emphasis, prominence, stress.
- accent**² *verb* accentuate, emphasise, stress.
- accentuate** *verb* accent, draw attention to, emphasise, highlight, stress, underline.
- accept** *verb* 1 get, receive, take. 2 agree to, consent to, go along with, put up with, reconcile yourself to, resign yourself to, take, tolerate, welcome.
- acceptable** *adjective* adequate, admissible, appropriate, passable, pleasing, proper, satisfactory, seemly, suitable, tolerable.
- access**¹ *noun* admission, admittance, approach, entrance, entry, way in.
- access**² *verb* obtain, retrieve.
- accessible** *adjective* attainable, available, handy, obtainable, retrievable.
- accessory** *noun* 1 attachment, extension, extra, fitting. 2 abettor, accomplice, assistant, associate, confederate, partner.
- accident** *noun* calamity, catastrophe, disaster, misadventure, misfortune, mishap; (*a car accident*) collision, crash, pile-up (*informal*), prang (*informal*), smash.
- accidental** *adjective* chance, coincidental, fluky, fortuitous, inadvertent, serendipitous, unexpected, unforeseen, unintentional, unplanned.
- acclaim**¹ *verb* applaud, cheer, clap, hail, praise, salute, welcome.
- acclaim**² *noun* acclamation, applause, approval, commendation, ovation, praise, welcome.
- acclimatise** *verb* adapt, adjust, become accustomed, become inured, get used.
- accolade** *noun* 1 acclaim, compliment, honour, praise, tribute.
- accommodate** *verb* 1 billet, board, house, put up, take in. 2 furnish, grant, provide, supply.
- accommodation** *noun* billet, digs (*informal*), home, house, housing, lodgings, premises, quarters, residence.
- accompany** *verb* 1 attend, be with, chaperone, escort, go with, partner, tag along with, travel with. 3 back up, play with, support.
- accompaniment** *noun* background, backing, support.
- accomplice** *noun* abettor, accessory, assistant, collaborator, helper, partner, sidekick (*informal*).
- accomplish** *verb* achieve, attain, bring off, carry out, complete, do, effect, execute, finish, fulfil, perform, succeed in.
- accomplishment** *noun* ability, achievement, attainment, deed, exploit, feat, gift, skill, talent.
- accomplished** *adjective* able, adept, brilliant, consummate, experienced, expert, gifted, proficient, skilful, skilled, talented.
- accord**¹ *noun* 2 agreement, compact, pact, treaty.
- of your own accord** off your own bat, of your own free will, of your own volition, spontaneously, unasked, voluntarily, willingly.
- accord**² *verb* 1 agree, be consistent, coincide, concur, correspond, harmonise, tally.
- accordingly** *adverb* 2 consequently, hence, so, therefore, thus.
- accost** *verb* bail up (*Australian*), buttonhole, confront, hail, stop, waylay.
- account**¹ *noun* 1 bill, invoice, receipt, statement. 3 chronicle, description, explanation, history, log, narrative, record, report, story, tale.
- take into account** allow for, consider, take into consideration.
- account**² *verb* account for excuse, explain, give grounds for, justify.
- accountable** *adjective* answerable, liable, responsible.
- accumulate** *verb* 1 acquire, amass, collect, gather, hoard, pile up, stockpile, store up. 2 accrue, build

up, grow, increase, multiply, pile up.
accumulation *noun* build-up, collection, heap, hoard, mass, pile, stack, stockpile, store.

accurate *adjective* careful, correct, exact, factual, faithful, meticulous, perfect, precise, right, spot on (*informal*), true.

accuracy *noun* correctness, exactitude, exactness, faithfulness, fidelity, meticulousness, precision, truth.

accuse *verb* blame, charge, denounce, impeach, incriminate, indict, point the finger at (*informal*).

accusation *noun* allegation, charge, imputation, indictment.

accustom *verb* (*accustom to*) acclimatise to, adjust to, familiarise with, habituate to, inure to, make used to.

accustomed *adjective* customary, established, expected, familiar, fixed, habitual, normal, regular, set, usual.

ace *noun* 2 champion, expert, master, star, winner.

ache¹ *noun* 1 discomfort, hurt, pain, pang, soreness. 2 agony, anguish, distress, grief, misery, pain, sorrow, suffering.

ache² *verb* be painful, be sore, hurt, pound, throb.

achieve *verb* accomplish, attain, carry out, fulfil, reach, realise, succeed in.
achievement *noun* accomplishment, attainment, deed, feat; see also SUCCESS.

acid² *adjective* 1 acidic, sharp, sour, tangy, tart, vinegary. 2 acerbic, bitter, caustic, cutting, sarcastic, sharp, stinging.

acknowledge *verb* 1 accept, admit, agree, allow, concede, confess, grant, recognise. 2 answer, reply to, respond to.

acknowledgement *noun*
1 acceptance, admission, confession.
2 answer, reply, response.
3 appreciation, credit, notice, recognition, reward, thanks.

acme *noun* apex, climax, culmination, height, peak, pinnacle, summit, top, zenith.

acquaint *verb* (*acquaint with*) advise of, enlighten about, familiarise with, fill in on (*informal*), inform of, make aware of, tell.

be acquainted with be aware of, be familiar with, be versed in, know.

acquaintance *noun* 1 associate, colleague, contact.

acquire *verb* buy, collect, come by, gain, get, obtain, pick up, procure, purchase, secure.

acquisition *noun* accession, possession, purchase.

acquit *verb* absolve, clear, exonerate, let off, release, vindicate.

acrimonious *adjective* bitter, cutting, embittered, hostile, nasty, spiteful, tart, virulent.

acrobat *noun* gymnast, tightrope walker, trapeze artist.

across *preposition* 1 over, through, throughout.

act¹ *noun* 1 accomplishment, achievement, action, deed, exploit, feat, undertaking. 2 decree, edict, law, statute. 4 performance, routine, show, sketch, skit. 5 deception, front, hoax, pretence, sham, show.

act² *verb* 1 behave, conduct yourself. 2 appear, impersonate, perform, play, portray. 3 function, have an

effect, operate, work. 4 fake, feign, make believe, pretend, sham.

acting *adjective* deputy, interim, provisional, substitute, temporary.

action *noun* 1 activity, motion, operation, performance, practice, work. 2 act, deed, effort, endeavour, exploit, feat, move, step, undertaking. 3 battle, combat, conflict, fighting, warfare. 4 lawsuit, litigation, proceedings, prosecution. 5 activity, adventure, drama, events, excitement, happenings, incidents.

activate *verb* actuate, set off, start, switch on, trigger, turn on.

active *adjective* 1 busy, diligent, dynamic, energetic, full of beans (*informal*), hard-working, hyperactive, industrious, involved, lively, occupied, participating, sprightly, spry, strenuous, vigorous, vivacious. 2 functioning, operative, working.

activist *noun* agitator, campaigner, crusader, firebrand, lobbyist, militant, protester, stirrer.

activity *noun* 1 enterprise, hobby, occupation, pastime, project, pursuit, undertaking, venture. 2 action, bustle, exercise, exertion, hurly-burly, hustle, industry, liveliness, movement.

actor *noun* actress, performer, player, star, thespian, trouper; (*group of actors*) cast, company, troupe.

actual *adjective* authentic, confirmed, factual, genuine, real, true, verified.
actually *adverb* genuinely, indeed, in fact, really, truly.

acute *adjective* 1 excruciating, extreme, intense, keen, piercing, severe, sharp, shooting, stabbing. 2 astute, canny, clever, discerning, discriminating, incisive, keen, penetrating, perceptive, sharp, shrewd, subtle.

adamant *adjective* determined, firm, immovable, inflexible, intransigent, resolute, resolved, stubborn, unyielding.

adapt *verb* adjust, alter, change, convert, edit, modify, remake, rewrite, transform; (*adapt to*) acclimatise to, accustom to, adjust to, become accustomed to, get used to.
adaptable *adjective* accommodating, amenable, easygoing, flexible, malleable, versatile.

add *verb* 1 affix, append, attach, combine, join, tack on.

add to augment, enlarge, increase, swell.

add up 1 calculate, compute, count, reckon, sum, total, tot up (*informal*), work out.

add up to amount to, come to, constitute, make, total.

addendum *noun* appendix, postscript, supplement.

addict *noun* (*a TV addict*) devotee, enthusiast, fan, fanatic, freak (*informal*), lover, nut (*informal*); (*a drug addict*) druggie (*informal*), junkie (*informal*), user (*informal*).
addicted *adjective* dependent on, hooked on (*informal*).

addiction *noun* dependence, habit, obsession.

addition *noun* 1 calculation, computation, totalling, totting up (*informal*). 2 (*an addition to a document*) appendix, attachment, codicil, postscript, rider, supplement; (*an addition to a building*) annexe, extension, wing.

additional *adjective* added, backup,

extra, further, more, new, other, supplementary.

address¹ *noun* 1 abode (*old use*), domicile, location, residence.

3 discourse, lecture, oration, sermon, speech, talk.

address² *verb* 2 lecture, speak to, talk to. 3 apply yourself to, attend to, devote yourself to, focus on, tackle, turn to.

adept *adjective* accomplished, capable, competent, expert, masterful, masterly, proficient, skilful, skilled, talented.

adequate *adjective* acceptable, all right, enough, fair, OK (*informal*), passable, satisfactory, sufficient, tolerable.

adhere *verb* 1 attach, cling, hold fast, stick. 2 (*adhere to*) abide by, comply with, follow, keep to, stick to.

adhesive¹ *adjective* adhering, gummed, sticking, sticky.

adhesive² *noun* cement, fixative, glue, gum, paste.

adjoining *adjective* 1 adjoining, bordering, contiguous, neighbouring, next-door.

adjoin *verb* abut on, be adjacent to, be next to, border on.

adjourn *verb* 1 break off, defer, discontinue, interrupt, postpone, put off, suspend.

adjudicate *verb* arbitrate, judge, referee, umpire.

adjudicator *noun* arbitrator, judge, referee, umpire.

adjust *verb* 1 arrange, regulate, set, tune. 2 adapt, alter, change, fit, modify, reshape, tailor. 3 acclimatise, adapt, become accustomed, get used to, reconcile yourself.

ad lib¹ *adverb* extempore, impromptu, off the cuff, off the top of your head (*informal*).

ad lib² *verb* extemporise, improvise, play it by ear (*informal*).

administer *verb* 1 carry out, deal out, dispense, give, hand out, mete out, provide. 2 conduct, control, direct, govern, look after, manage, operate, oversee, run, supervise.

administration *noun* 1 control, direction, management, running, supervision. 3 government, ministry, regime.

administrator *noun* chief, controller, director, executive, governor, head, manager, superintendent.

admirable *adjective* commendable, excellent, exemplary, honourable, laudable, praiseworthy, worthy.

admire *verb* 2 appreciate, approve of, esteem, idolise, look up to, praise, regard highly, respect, revere, think highly of, venerate.

admiration *noun* approval, commendation, praise, respect, veneration.

admirer *noun* (*a woman's admirer*) beau, boyfriend, lover, suitor, sweetheart; (*an actor's admirer*) devotee, fan, follower, supporter.

admission *noun* 1 access, admittance, entrance, entry. 3 acceptance, acknowledgement, confession, declaration, disclosure, statement.

admit *verb* 1 allow in, let in, permit entry, take in. 2 accept, acknowledge, concede, confess, grant, own up.

admittance *noun* access, admission, entrance, entry.

admonish *verb* chide (*old use*), rebuke, reprimand, reproach,

reprove, scold, tell off (*informal*), tick off (*informal*).

ado *noun* bother, commotion, fuss, kerfuffle (*informal*), to-do, trouble.

adulthood *noun* puberty, teens, youth.

adolescent *adjective* teenage, youthful.

adolescent *noun* minor, teen (*informal*), teenager, youngster, youth.

adopt *verb* 2 accept, approve, assume, choose, embrace, endorse, espouse, ratify, take up, use.

adore *verb* 1 cherish, dote on, idolise, love. 2 exalt, extol, glorify, hallow, honour, laud (*formal*), magnify (*old use*), praise, revere, venerate, worship.

adorable *adjective* appealing, cute (*informal*), darling, dear, delightful, irresistible, likeable, lovable, lovely, sweet (*informal*).

adorn *verb* array, deck out, decorate, festoon, ornament.

adult *noun* grown-up.

adult *adjective* developed, full-sized, fully grown, grown-up, mature.

adulterate *verb* contaminate, dilute, pollute, water down, weaken.

adultery *noun* infidelity, unfaithfulness.

advance¹ *noun* 1 breakthrough, development, headway, improvement, progress. 2 addition, gain, increase, rise. 3 loan, prepayment.

in advance ahead, beforehand, up front.

advance² *verb* 1 approach, go ahead, go forward, go on, make headway, move forward, proceed, progress. 2 lend, prepay.

advanced *adjective* 2 complicated, difficult, hard, higher. 3 avant-garde, innovative, modern, new, progressive, revolutionary, sophisticated, up to date.

advantage *noun* 1 asset, benefit, blessing, bonus, boon, gain, help, plus.

advantageous *adjective* beneficial, favourable, good, helpful, profitable, useful, valuable.

take advantage of capitalise on, cash in on, exploit, make the most of, make use of, use.

advent *noun* 2 appearance, arrival, coming, dawn.

adventure *noun* 1 deed, feat, escapade, experience, exploit, incident, trial. 2 danger, excitement, risk, thrill, uncertainty.

adventurous *adjective* bold, brave, daring, enterprising, intrepid, venturesome.

adversary *noun* enemy, foe, opponent, rival.

adverse *adjective* bad, detrimental, harmful, ill, injurious, unfavourable, untoward.

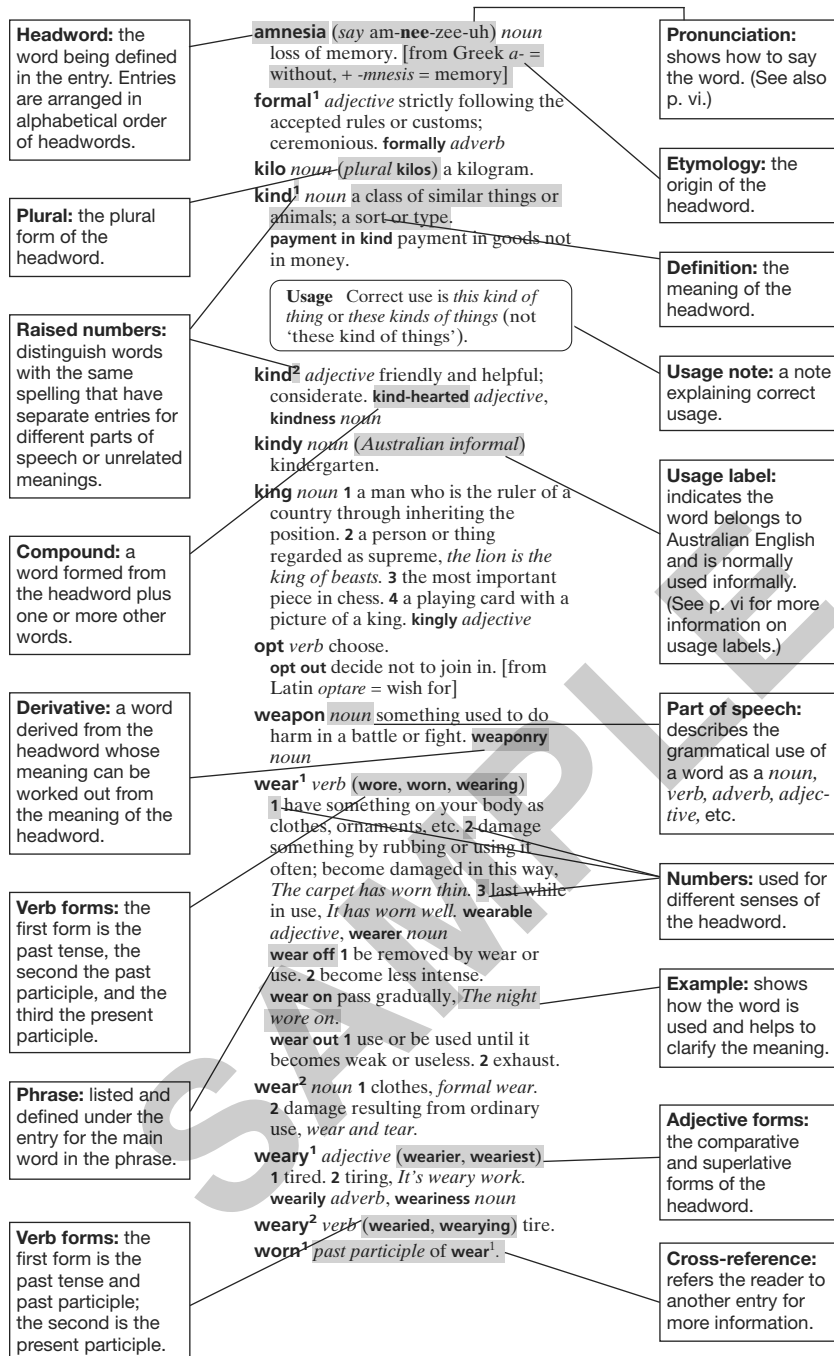
adversity *noun* affliction, calamity, catastrophe, disaster, distress, hardship, misfortune, trouble.

advertise *verb* 1 announce, make known, proclaim, publicise. 2 market, plug (*informal*), promote, push (*informal*), tout.

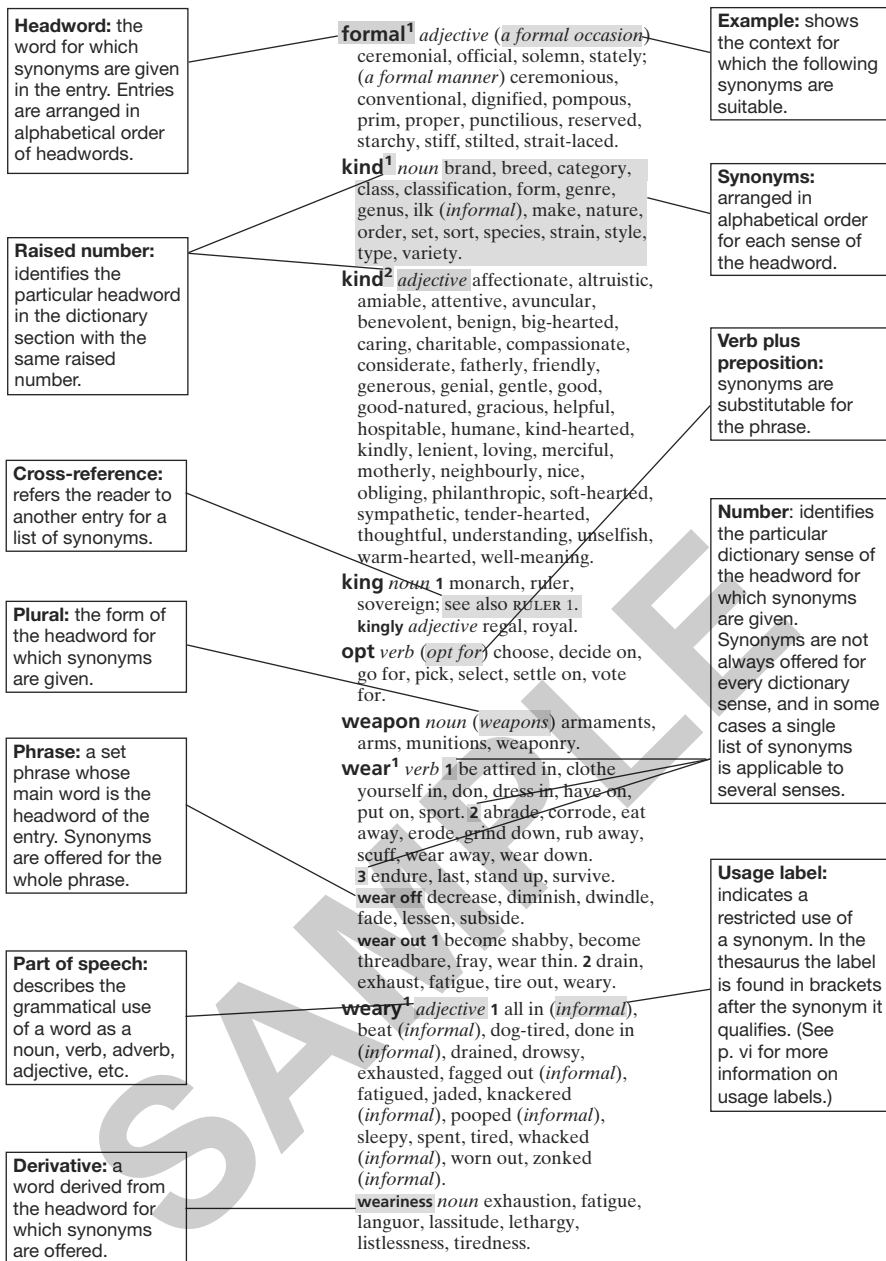
advertisement *noun* ad (*informal*), advert (*informal*), announcement, blurb, commercial, notice, plug (*informal*), promotion, publicity, trailer.

advice *noun* 1 counsel, guidance, opinion, recommendation,

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Spelling

Many verbs ending in **-ise** (such as *realise*) and their corresponding nouns ending in **-isation** (such as *realisation*) may also be spelt with *z* instead of *s*. However, only **-ise** should be used in *advertise, advise, apprise, arise, chastise, comprise, compromise, demise, despise, devise, enfranchise, enterprise, excise, exercise, franchise, improvise, incise, merchandise, practise, promise, revise, rise, supervise, surmise, surprise, televise*, and in verbs ending in *-aise, -oise, and -uise*.

Pronunciation

A guide to pronunciation is given for any word that is difficult to pronounce, or difficult to recognise when read, or spelled the same as another word but pronounced differently. The pronunciation given represents standard Australian speech.

The sounds represented are as follows:

a	as in and, bat, cat	oo	as in soon, boot, ooze
ah	as in calm, path, arm	oor	as in tour
air	as in fair, care, there	ow	as in cow, how, out
aw	as in law, for, sore	owuh	as in hour, power
ay	as in play, age, face	p	as in peg
b	as in bed	r	as in red
ch	as in chin, church, which	s	as in sit
d	as in day	sh	as in shop, fish, charade
e	as in bed, ten, egg	t	as in top
ee	as in meet, meat, each	th	as in thin, method, both
eer	as in beer, here, fear	th	as in this, either, those
er	as in her, bird	u	as in bun, up
f	as in fat	uh	as in above, correct, mother
g	as in get, wagon, dog	uu	as in book, look, pull
h	as in hat	uy	as in cry, light
i	as in pin, sit, is	uyuh	as in fire, wire, spire
j	as in jam, job, enjoy	v	as in van, river
k	as in king, cat, pique	w	as in was, wish
l	as in leg	x	as in Scottish loch
m	as in me	y	as in yard, yes, you
n	as in not	yoo	as in few, due, beauty, tune
ng	as in sing, thing, anxious	yoor	as in cure, pure, endure
o	as in got, top, on	z	as in zoo, lazy, raise
oh	as in most, boat, go	zh	as in division, vision, measure
oi	as in join, voice, boy		

Note

- 1 The pronunciation is shown in brackets, usually directly after the headword e.g. *galah* (say guh-**lah**).
- 2 Words are broken up into syllables by means of hyphens, as an aid to correct pronunciation.
- 3 The main stress of a word of two or more syllables is indicated in bold type, like **this**.

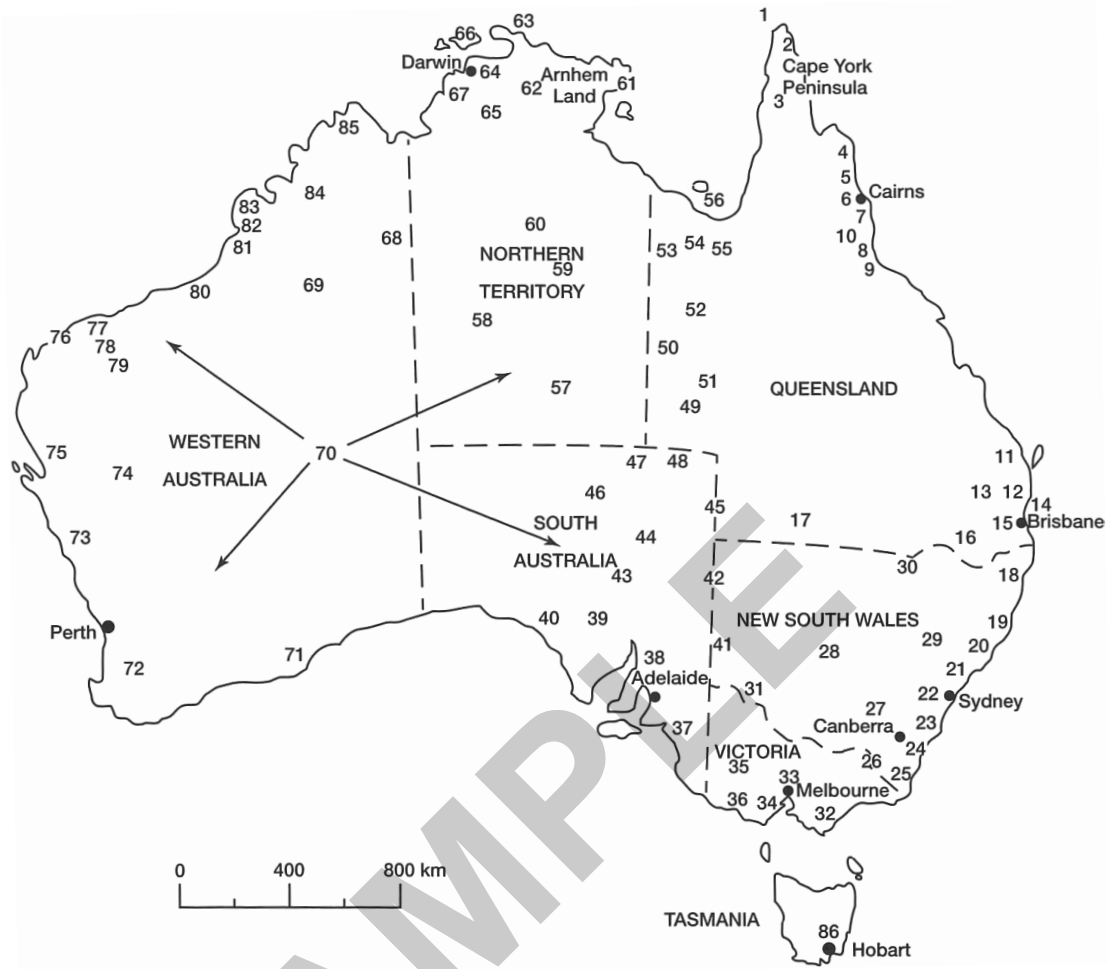
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