Words	Parts of Speech	Dictionary Definition	Short Sentences (bold relevant parts to show where we put stress/emphasis)	Lexical Relationship
example	noun	a thing characteristic of its kind or showing a general rule by way of showing	An orange is an ex am ple of a fruit. When Thabo got burnt while playing with matches, his Mum said, "Let this be an ex am ple to	synonyms -case, sample, instance, warning
except	preposition	not including, leaving out	you." All the children, ex cept Miriam who was sick, went on an excursion.	synonyms - excluding, but, antonym -including
exchange	verb	give and receive something the changing of money of the same value	Many people ex chan ge gifts during Christmas. When I go on holiday to America, I will have to ex change rands for dollars.	homonym synonyms- swap, barter, switch, antonym- keep
	noun	a short conversation or argument	When Peter and Brad met for the first time, they had an ex change of words.	<pre>synonyms -replace, substitute synonyms- chat, talk, disagreement, quarrel antonyms-agreement</pre>

excise	noun	a tax charged on certain goods	The government should increase	Homonym
		or on licences granted for	the ex cise on tobacco to control	
		certain services	smoking.	Synonyms- levy, tariff, duty
	verb	charge	Governments ex cise high taxes on cigarettes and alcohol.	antonym-duty-free
		to cut out surgically		
			The doctor had to ex cise the bullet from the patient's	Synonyms- deduct Antonym- exempt
		to remove a part of a text or	shoulder.	
		piece of music		Synonyms- remove antonym- insert
			Maria had to ex cise the musical piece she chose to play in the competition.	Synonyms- cut, omit antonym - keep
excited	verb	caused strong feelings of enthusiasm and eagerness	Everyone was ex ci ted when South Africa hosted the 2010 World Cup.	Synonyms- thrilled, stimulated antonym - indifferent, bored
		describing a feeling of		
	adjective	enthusiasm and high energy	The ex ci ted supporters cheered for the Pirates in the final match	Synonyms- agitated,
			against Kaizer Chiefs.	provoked
				antonym -calm, unmotivated
exclaim	verb	cry out suddenly, especially in surprise, anger or pain	We ex claim when someone gives us a surprise party.	Synonyms- shout, scream antonym -whisper
excuse				Homonym
	verb	make a polite apology for an	It is polite to ex cuse oneself	Synonyms- apologise,
		interruption or for leaving	before leaving a function early.	explain, justify, pardon antonym - oblige
		something said to hide the		
	noun	real reason for an action	Rita always makes an ex cuse for not joining us.	Synonyms- reason, justification antonym - blame

exercise	noun	an activity requiring physical effort carried out for the sake of health and fitness	Exer cise is good for the body.	Synonyms- workout, training antonym - inactivity
		a task set to practise or test a skill; a military drill	The teacher gave us an exer cise to complete as homework.	Synonyms- drill, assignment, task
		use or apply a faculty, right or process		
	verb		We ex ercise our brains when enter quiz competition.	Synonyms- implement, exert antonym - forgo, sacrifice
expense	noun	costs incurred or required; amount of money required to buy something	Many parents find it difficult to pay their children's school ex pense .	Homonym Synonyms- expenditure, price Antonym- saving
		to the detriment or disadvantage of something or somebody	We should not make jokes at the ex pense of other people.	Synonyms- cost, deprivation Antonym- benefit, advantage
experience	noun	an event or happening that leaves an impression on one	Fishing in a river can be a challenging exp er ience.	Synonyms- occurrence, incident antonym- inexperience
	verb	encounter or undergo an event or experience; feel an emotion	Every child should ex per ience the joys of playing outside with friends.	Synonyms- face, undergo antonym -

explain	verb	make something clear by describing it in detail	I had to ex plain how to bake a cake	Synonyms- clarify, describe justify antonyms -puzzle,
		give a reason for something or for one's behavior	My dad asked me to ex plain why I did not do my homework.	confuse, complicate
explore	verb	travel through an unfamiliar area in order to learn about it	One day I would like to ex plore the jungle.	Synonyms- discover, study, research
		inquire into or discuss in detail	The teacher asked the class to ex plore the life of Madiba	
exponent	noun	a promoter of an idea or theory	Mahathma Gandhi was an ex po nent of passive resistance	Homonym Synonyms- advocate, champion, supporter antonym- opponent
		a mathematical term given to the power to which a given number or expression is raised	Three is the exponent of two in the number six	synonym- power
express	verb	convey a thought or feeling in words or by gestures and conduct	We were asked to ex press our feelings about bullying.	Homonym Synonyms- state, say, convey, vent antonym-conceal, hide, withhold
		to squeeze out air or liquid	When we breathe out we ex press carbon dioxide.	Synonym- release Antonym- inhale
	adjective	operating at a high speed	The Gautrain is an ex press train.	Synonyms- fast, rapid, direct Antonym - slow
exquisite	adjective	of great beauty and delicacy intense	That portrait of Madiba is an ex quisite piece of art.	Synonyms- excellent, superb, flawless Antonym - inferior, dull, flawed

extreme	adjective	very great, very serious or exceptional	The travellers faced ex treme danger as they travelled through the mountains.	Synonyms- acute, intense, significant, maximum antonyms - little, insignificant,
		relating to a sport performed in a dangerous environment	Skateboarding is an ex treme sport.	minimum Synonyms- risky, life- threatening Antonym- safe, moderate
fabricate	verb	invent a story that is dishonest	It is not good to fab ricate about other people.	Homonym Synonyms- lie, fake, devise
		construct or manufacture	There are many factories in South Africa that fab ricate wool.	Synonyms- make, produce build, assemble antonym - destroy
factories	noun	buildings where goods are manufactured or assembled mainly by machines	People working in metal fact ories should always use safety clothes.	The plural of factory Synonym- plants
factory	noun	a building where goods are manufactured or assembled mainly by machines	The workers at that fact ory went on strike.	Synonym- plant
failure	noun	not successful an unsuccessful person	Fail ure at school can be very embarrassing. If you are a fail ure in your favourite sport, you should not give up.	Synonym- flop antonym-success Synonym- disappointment, loser Antonym- winner
		breakdown or stop working	The failure of the breaks caused the accident	synonyms - malfunction, seizure, collapse antonym- function

faithful	adjective	remaining loyal and steadfast	Young children should be taught to be faith ful to their parents	Synonyms- trustworthy, true, devoted antonyms - disloyal, faithless
famished	adjective	very or extremely hungry	The tourists were fa mished after a journey through the desert.	Synonyms- starving, underfed antonym -full, nourished
fatigue	noun	extreme tiredness usually resulting from illness or mental/physical activity	Many of the athletes felt the fat igue as they reached the end of the race.	Synonyms- exhaustion, weariness, weakness antonym - energy, strength
favoured	verb	treat with approval or liking; show preference	Usually the youngest child is fa voured in the family.	Synonyms- preferred, approved, chose antonym- rejected
favourite	adjective	chosen above others of the same kind	Macaroni and cheese is my fa vourite food.	Synonyms- preferred, most-liked, best antonym - worst
	noun	person or thing chosen above others of the same kind	Martin is the teacher's fa vourite.	Synonyms- pet, preference
fibbing	verb	telling a lie	Fib bing can destroy many innocent people's lives.	Synonyms- deceiving
fiction	noun	stories or novels that describe imaginary events or people Stories or novels that are not based on facts not true	Children should be encouraged to read fi ction. His idea is fi ction.	Synonyms- fantasy, unreal antonym -fact, reality
figured	verb	calculated arithmetically reached an understanding of something or someone	Sipho was proud when he figured out the sum on the chalkboard. Sipho figured out what caused his headaches.	Synonym- solved antonym- miscalculated Synonym- solved antonym-doubted

filing	verb	placing a document in a file walking one behind another	The secretary is fi ling all the important documents.	Homonym Synonyms- sorting, organising, categorising
		shaping with a file	The soldiers were fi ling on the sports field.	Synonyms- marching, parading
			My mother was fi ling her nails.	Synonyms —smoothing, sanding
fireplace	noun	a partially enclosed space at the bottom of a chimney for a fire in a home.	The fire place kept the house warm and cosy.	Synonym- grate
firewood	noun	wood that is burnt as fuel	Everyday Mathew has to collect fire wood for his mother.	Synonym- logs
flashlight	noun	an electric or battery operated torch with a strong beam of light	Campers need a flash light to see at night. The policeman used a flash light	Synonym- penlight
			to warn passing motorists of the accident.	
flower	noun	the seed-bearing part of a plant which has petals	The rose is the prettiest flower in my garden.	Homophone of flour Synonyms- blossom, bloom
	verb	to produce flowers	Many plants begin to flow er in spring.	Synonyms - blossom, bloom, thrive
		to develop	Peter's idea began to flow er into a major project for the class.	Synonyms - flourish, grow antonym - wane, fade
forceful	adjective	strong , influential or convincing	Madiba was a force ful leader. The force ful wind destroyed their house.	Synonyms- powerful, persuasive antonym - weak

forecast	verb	predict or estimate	Fortune tellers fore cast our future.	Synonyms- project, foretell
	noun	a prediction or estimate	The weather fore cast helps us in deciding what to wear	Synonym- projection
foreign	adjective	relating to a country other than one's own country	Chinese is fo reign to me.	Synonyms- strange, unknown, far-off antonym - known, native,
		unfamiliar or uncharacteristic	He comes from a fo reign country.	familiar
foreword	noun	a short introduction to a book, usually written by a person other than the author	The foreword in novel was well written.	Homophone of forward Synonyms- preface,
		other than the author		prologue antonym-conclusion
formulate	verb	create or prepare methodically	The learners were asked to form ulate solutions to bullying at their school.	Synonyms- express, convey, communicate
foundation	noun	the lowest load-bearing part of a building	The foun da tion of a house should be well built.	Homonym
		an institution	The Nelson Mandela Children's Foun da tion is a worthy cause.	Synonyms- base, support antonym -top
		cream or powder applied to the face before other make -up	My mother applies foun da tion to make her face look smooth and beautiful.	Synonyms-e stablishment, organisation
		1 4 1		Synonyms- base
founder	noun verb	a person who started an institution, programme, settlement	Nelson Mandela was the found er of The Nelson Mandela Children's Fund.	Homonym Synonyms- creator
	VEID	sink, fail	The ships will found er if the storm continues.	Synonyms- submerge, plunge antonym - float, succeed

fraction	noun	a numerical quantity that is not a whole number a part or portion	Half is an example of a frac tion.	Synonyms-segment antonym- whole
frigid	adjective	very cold stiff or formal in behavior or style	The hostess of the party was fri gid.	Synonyms- chilly, unfriendly antonym -friendly, social
frivolous	adjective	carefree and superficial (person) not having any purpose or value	Their conversation at the supper table was very fri volous.	Synonyms- playful, light- hearted, thoughtless antonym -serious, thoughtful
fumble	verb	use the hands clumsily move or speak clumsily	When we are nervous, we tend to fum ble.	Synonyms- blunder, botch, grope
	noun	act of being clumsy	Her speech was a fum ble.	
fumigate	verb	disinfect or purify with chemical vapours (fumes)	They decided to fum igate the offices because of the cockroaches.	Synonyms- sanitise, sterilise antonym-infect
function	noun	an activity that has a common purpose for a group of people	The func tion was held to raise funds for Cancer Association of South Africa.	Homonym Synonyms- gathering , occasion or party
	verb	work or perform a task fulfill a purpose or task	He could not func tion at work because of stress.	Synonym- serve antonym - malfunction
furnace	noun	an enclosed chamber in which material can be heated to very high temperatures	The gold is smelted in a fur nace.	Synonyms- oven or incinerator antonym - cold
		a very hot place	The desert is a fur nace in summer.	
furniture	noun	movable articles such as chairs and tables that make room comfortable for living or working	Dad decided to buy new fur niture for my bedroom.	Synonyms- movables, furnishings

future	noun	time that is still to come	The fu ture of our country lies in the education of our youth.	Synonyms- potential, opportunity
		prospect of success or happiness	The fu ture tense of 'cook' is 'will be cooking'.	antonym -past
		Tense of verbs showing events that have not yet happened		
gallery	noun	A room or building for the display or sale of works of art	There will be a display of South African artists' work in the Pretoria ga llery this month.	Homonym Synonyms- showroom
		A balcony or upper floor projecting from the back or side wall of a hall or theatre	We watched the performance from the ga llery.	Synonym s-balcony, verandah
gallop	verb	The fastest pace of a four- legged animal, for example, a horse	It is amazing to watch the horses gallop in the wind.	Synonyms- sprint, bolt, charge,pace
	noun	A ride on a horse at a gallop	The jockeys were requested to keep a steady ga llop during the show.	
gardening	verb	growing or cultivating in a garden (plants)	He was gar dening when hurt his foot.	
	noun	act of growing or cultivating a a garden(plants)	My grandmother loves gar dening in spring and summer.	Synonyms- planting, sowing
gauge	noun	an instrument that measures and gives a visual display of the amount, level or contents of something	The petrol gauge showed empty.	Pronounced 'gage' Homonym Synonyms- device, meter,
	verb	estimate or determine the amount or level, size of something	He was unable to gauge the cost of a new house.	scale Synonyms- estimate, predict, calculate

gauze	noun	a thin loosely woven cloth used for dressing wounds	The doctor used gau ze to cover the wound.	Homonym Synonyms- mesh, net
		a very fine wire mesh	The farmer used gau ze to keep his hens safe.	
general	noun	a commander of an army	The gen eral was very strict with his soldiers.	Homonym
	adjective	affecting most people or things usual or normal	We should follow the general	Synonyms- officer
			rules of the competition	Synonyms- overall, common Antonym- specific
generous	adjective	freely giving more of something	He was very gen erous with his donation.	Synonym- charitable, antonyms - stingy, tight- fisted
		being kind towards others	Our neighbour is a gen erous man.	Synonyms -big-hearted, kind Antonyms- mean, cruel
genet	noun	a nocturnal catlike mammal with short legs and a long bushy ringed tail	The fur of the ge net is soft and cuddly.	,
gentle	adjective	mild or kind; not harsh or severe	We should be gen tle when we play with babies	Synonyms- tender, soft antonym - rough, harsh
gentleman	noun	a kind or courteous or honourable man	He was a gent leman when at the supper table	Synonyms- courteous, honorable antonyms- thug, criminal, villain
geography	noun	The study of the physical features of the earth and of related human activities	Geo graphy is one of the subjects that is studied in the Natural Sciences	Synonym- landscape
		The main physical features of an area	The geo graphy of the Northern Cape is largely rocky.	

geometry	noun	A section of mathematics concerned with points, lines, surfaces and shapes	Tshepo finds it difficult to understand geo metry in school.	
geyser	noun	a water storage tank with an electric heating element	When the gey ser burst at home, the carpets were damaged by the water.	Synonym- tank
ghost	noun	a spirit or vision of a dead person seen by a living person	Many people believe that the ghost of their ancestor is a message from the dead.	Synonyms- spirit, phantom, vision
giraffe	noun	a large African mammal with a very long neck and front legs	The gir affe grazed on the leaves of the treetop.	
glimpse	noun	a quick or partial view	We had a glimpse of the president during the parade.	synonyms- peek, glance
	verb	see faintly or partly	The teachers glimpse over our projects before we submit them for marking.	synonym- preview
glisten	verb	shine or glint	The dewdrops gli sten in the morning sun.	Synonyms- shimmer, reflect, sparkle, glitter
	noun	a sparkling light reflected from something wet	The glis ten of the sequins made her dress look expensive.	
			Most teenage girls prefer to use nail polish which has a glis ten	
gnaw	verb	Bite or nibble repeatedly(persistently)	The rats gnaw at the big piece of cheese	Synonyms- chew, munch
		Cause unending anxiety or distress	Thoughts of failing gnaw at Mary's mind.	Synonyms- bother, trouble, worry