

Activating Vocabulary

Introduction

Activating Vocabulary - ESOL is designed for teachers with limited preparation time who want to provide lively, motivating language skills lessons to introduce, test or revise.



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Teaching Notes

The activities are simple to use and self explanatory but a few tips may be useful.



Type A

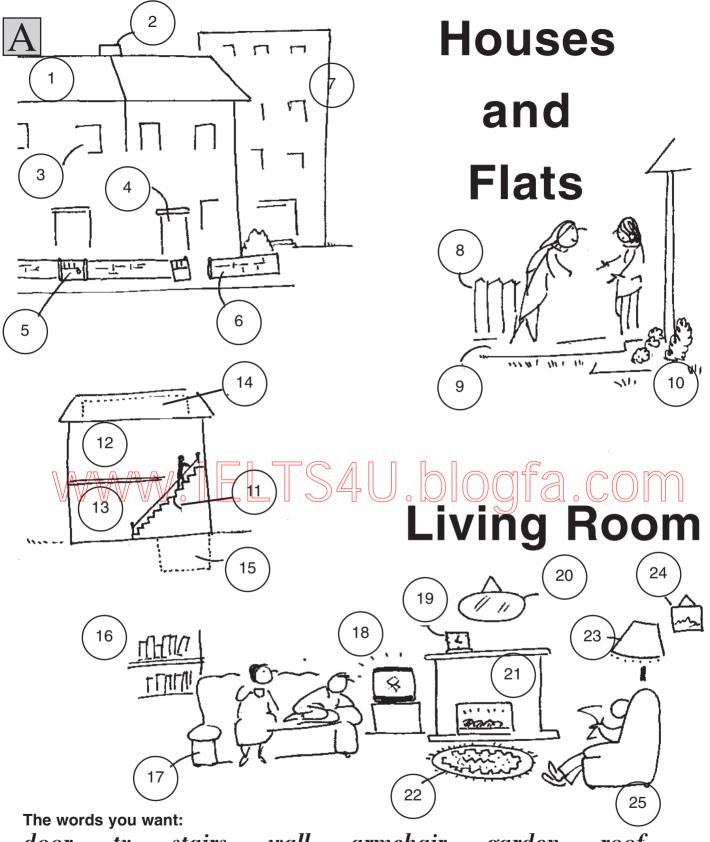
- Start with a discussion to set the context.
- See how many words the students already know.
- Read through the words carefully for pronunciation practice.
- Play a 'Can you tell me number 4 please?' Game around the group.(The 'please' is important!)



Type B

- Encourage learners to use three different colours to underline /colour code the words into categories.

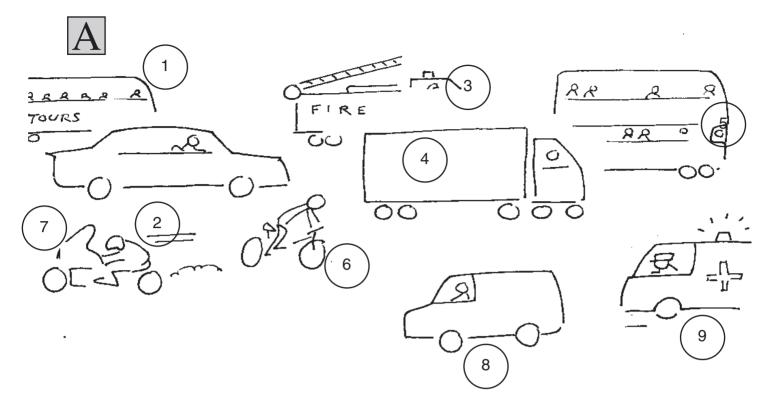
 (This has much more impact than just underlining them in biro!)
- Students write the words in the Category 'shapes'.
- Each student chooses 3 words (secretly) and puts them into sentences (or a little story). The other students listen hard to identify the 'special' words.
- Strainstorm some more words for each category.



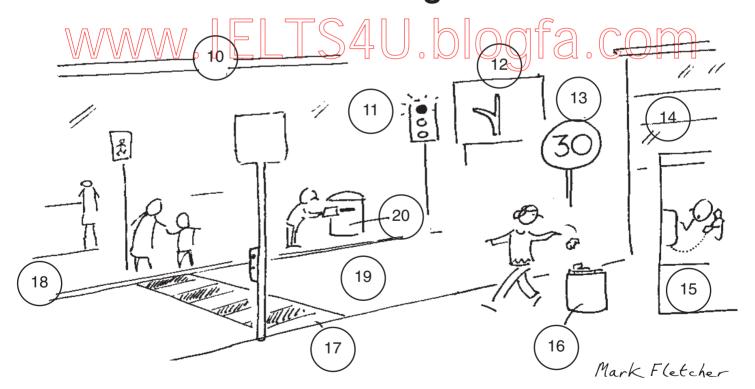
door ... tv ... stairs ... wall ... armchair ... garden ... roof ... upstairs ... fireplace ... picture ... chimney ... block of flats ... cellar ... clock ... fence ... mirror ...

path ... gate ... window ...downstairs ... lamp ... rug ... attic ...sofa ... bookshelf ...

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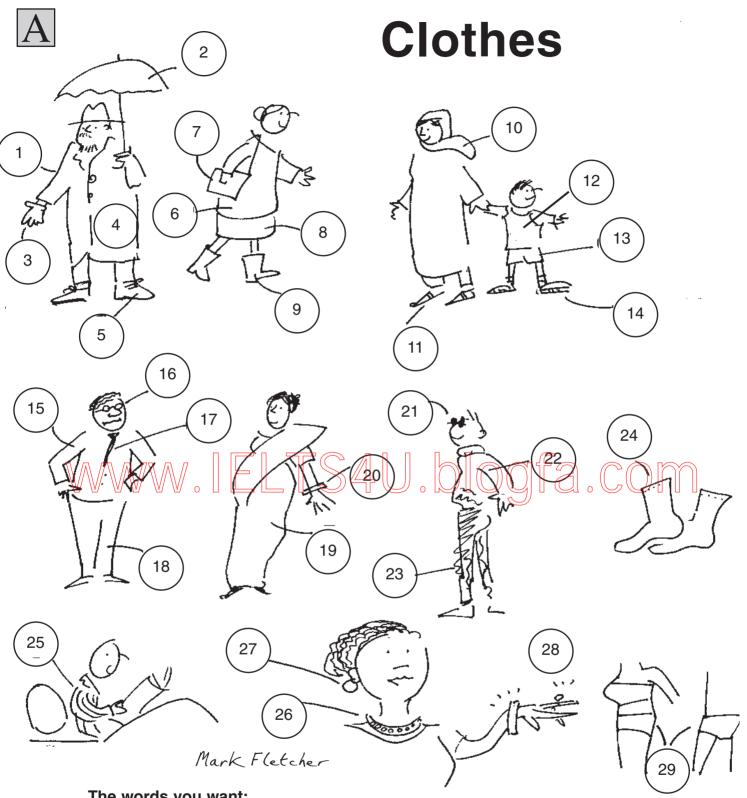


Traffic - and Things in the



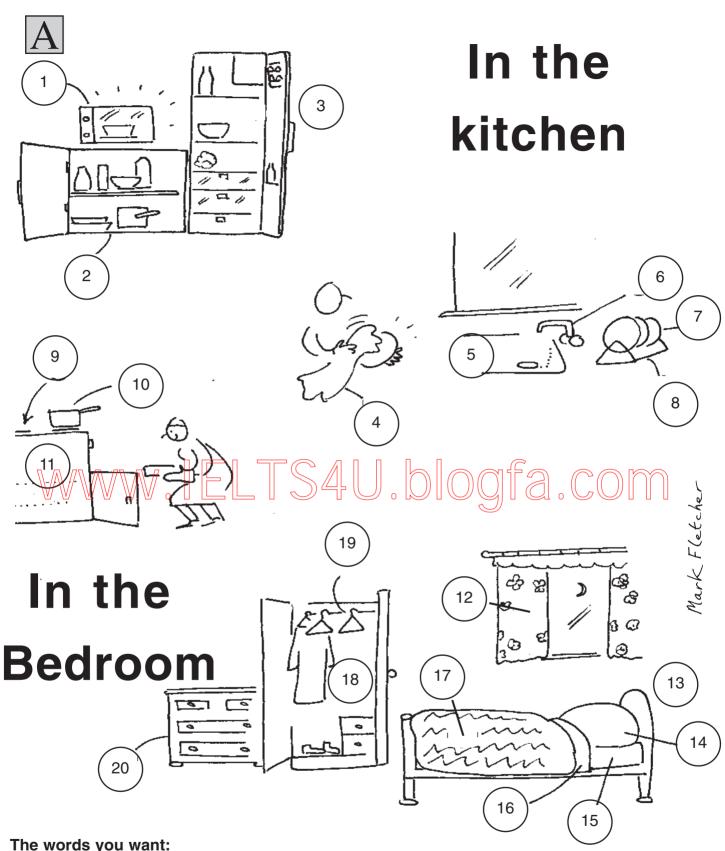
The words you want:

fire-engine ... phone box ... bus ... bicycle ... van ... zebra crossing ... post box ... motorbike ... coach ... litter bin ... road sign ... ambulance ... office block ... speed limit ... pavement ... road ... car ... lorry ... row of shops ... traffic lights ...



The words you want:

jeans ... sandal ... boots ... necklace ... gloves ... pullover ... skirt ... T-shirt ... sari ... ring ... pyjamas ... shirt ... glasses ... coat ... socks ... umbrella ... bangle ... shoes ... tie ... headscarf ... trousers ... shorts ... underwear ... jacket ... trainers ... handbag ... earrings ... sunglasses ...



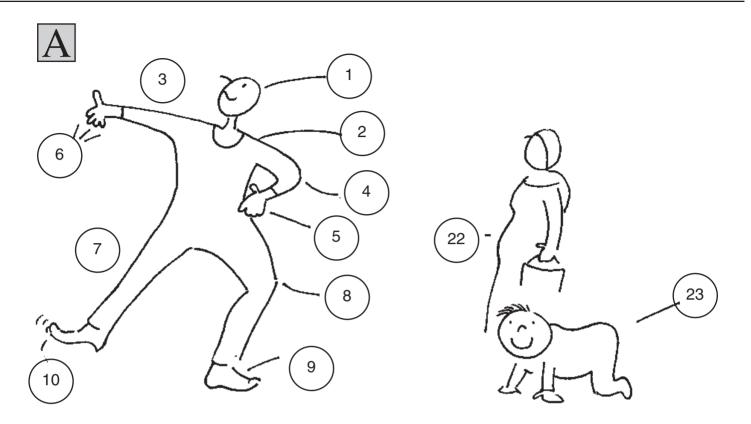
The words you want:

pillow ... cupboard ... curtains ... plate rack ... oven ... sink ... microwave ... hangers ... teatowel ... fridge ... wardrobe ... saucepan ... duvet / blanket ... matress ... tap ... sheet ... bed ...draining board ... gas ring / hob ... chest of drawers ...



The words you want:

receipt ... Bakers ... basket ... tin ... money ... counter till ... Greengrocer ... label ... assistant ... shelf ... Newsagent ... purse ... tub ... checkout ... price ... Clothes shop ... trolley ... Hardware shop(DIY) ... bottle ... Butchers ... shopping bag ... packet ... Shoeshop ...

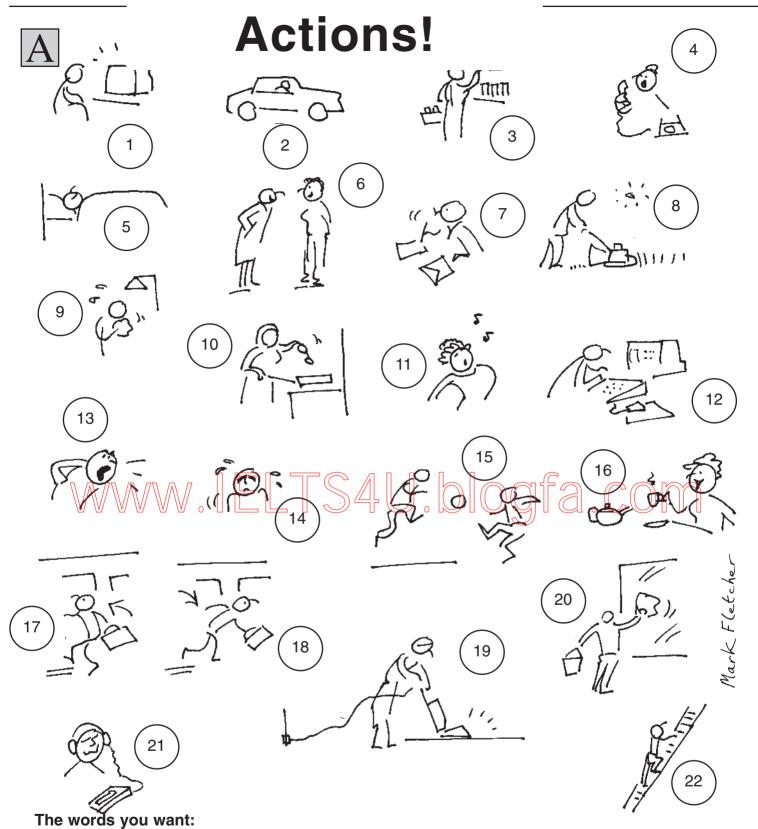


Parts of the Body

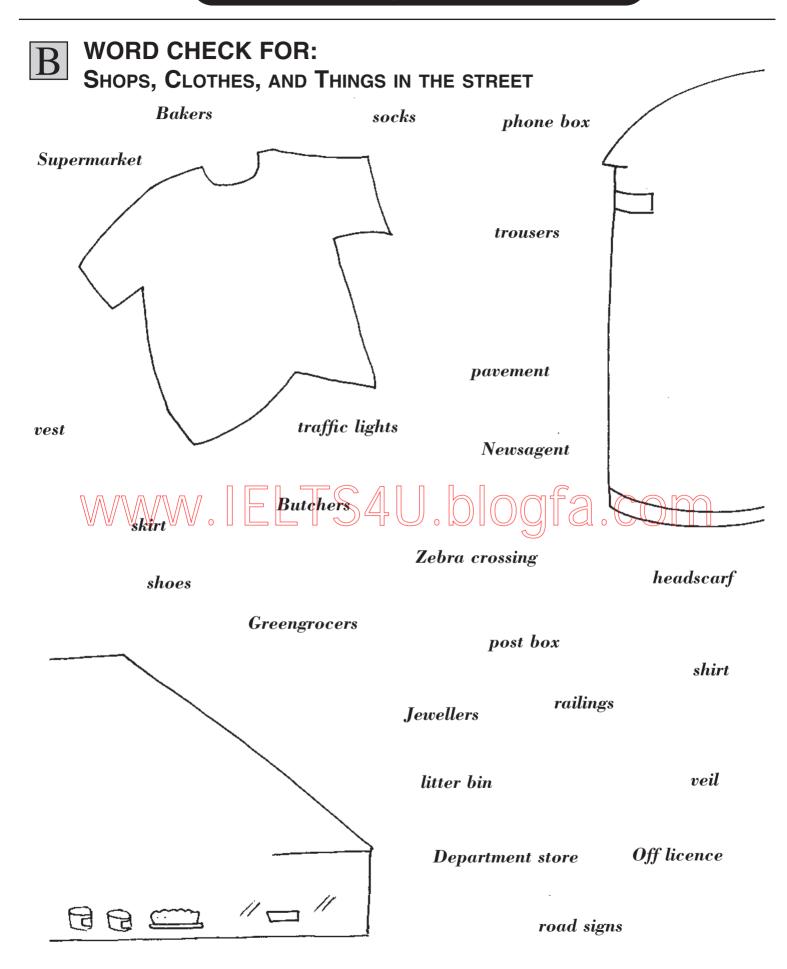


The words you want:

mouth ... hand ... knee ... beard ... elbow ... toes ... nose ... hair ... shoulders ... eyebrows ... foot ... neck ... fingers ... eyes ... head ... arm ... moustache ... ear ... leg ... bust ... chest ... stomach ... bottom ...



writing a letter ... getting off the train ... cutting the grass ... sleeping ... driving ... climbing a ladder ... having a shower ... shopping ... watching TV ... crying ... hoovering ... making a phone call ... getting on the train ... playing football ... chatting / talking ... having a cup of tea ... using a computer ... cooking ... singing ... shouting ... cleaning windows ... listening to a cassette ...

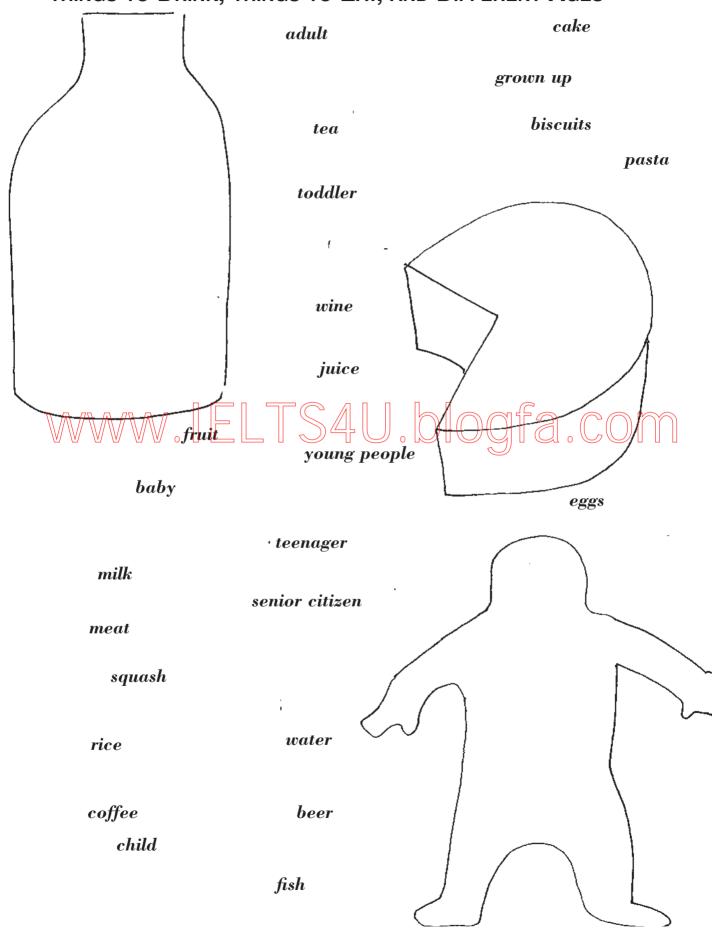


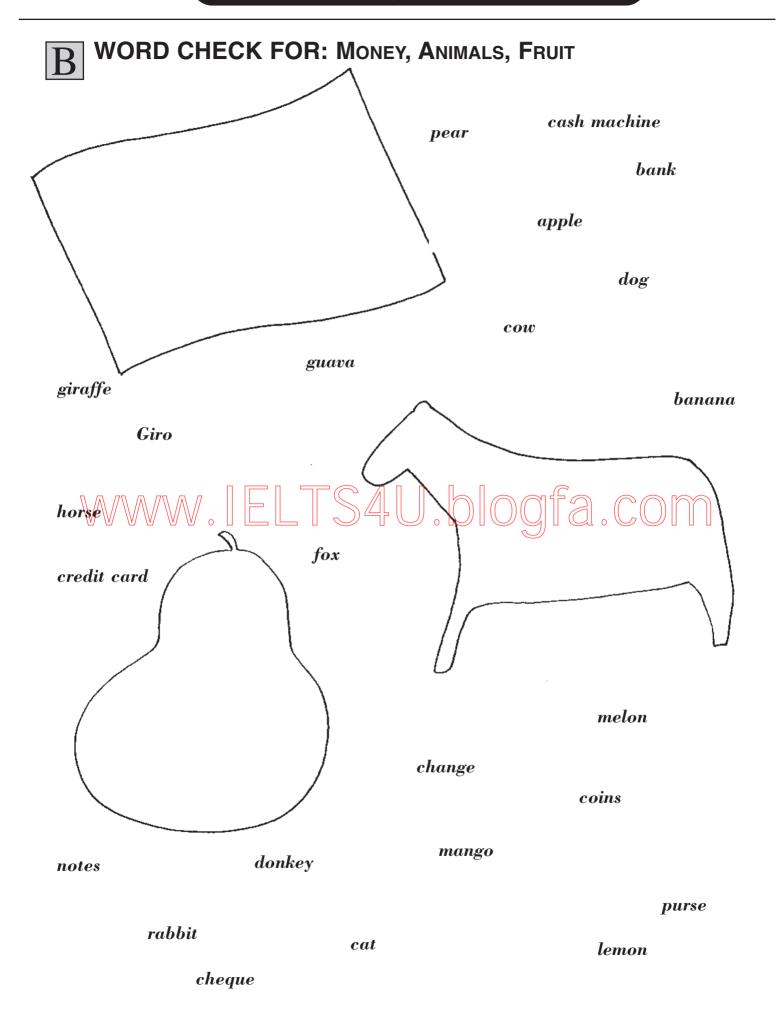
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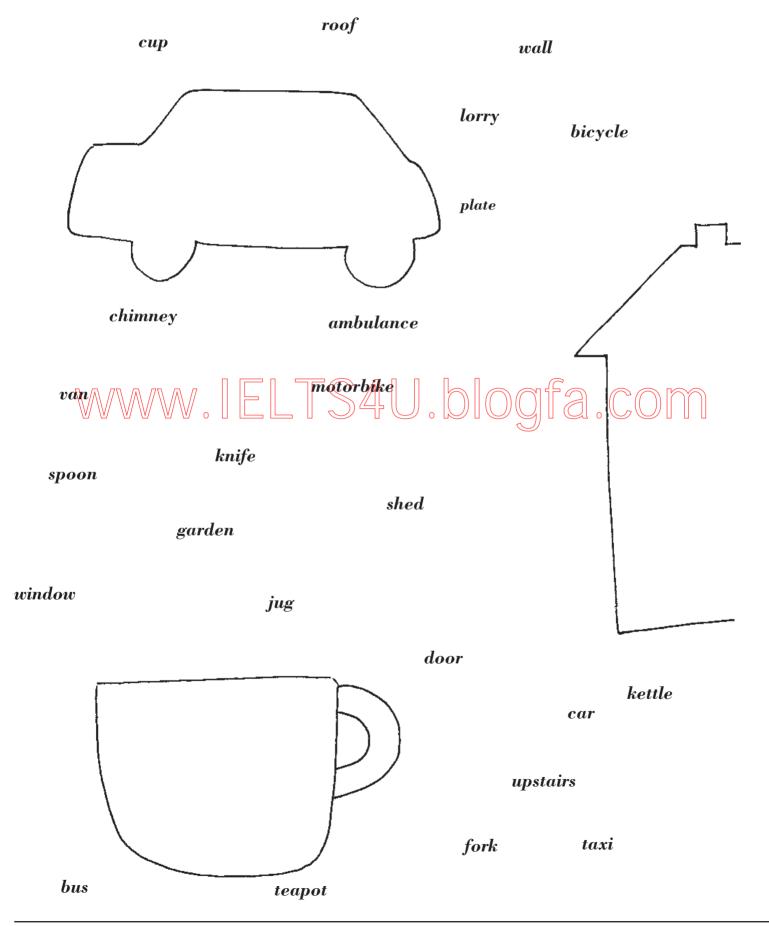
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THINGS TO DRINK, THINGS TO EAT, AND DIFFERENT AGES



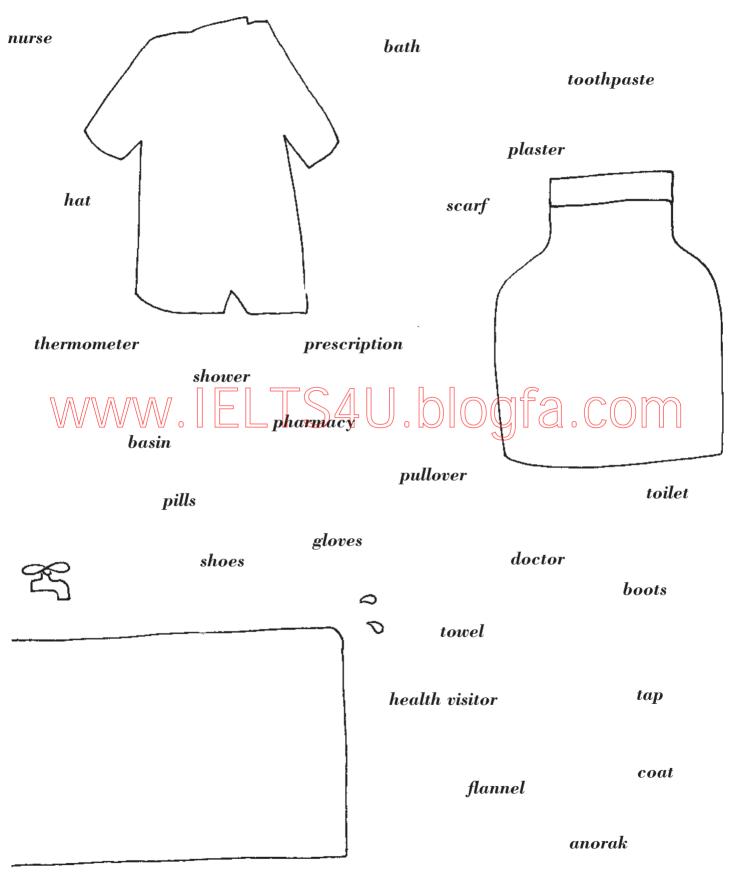


WORD CHECK FOR: The House, Traffic, and things on the Table



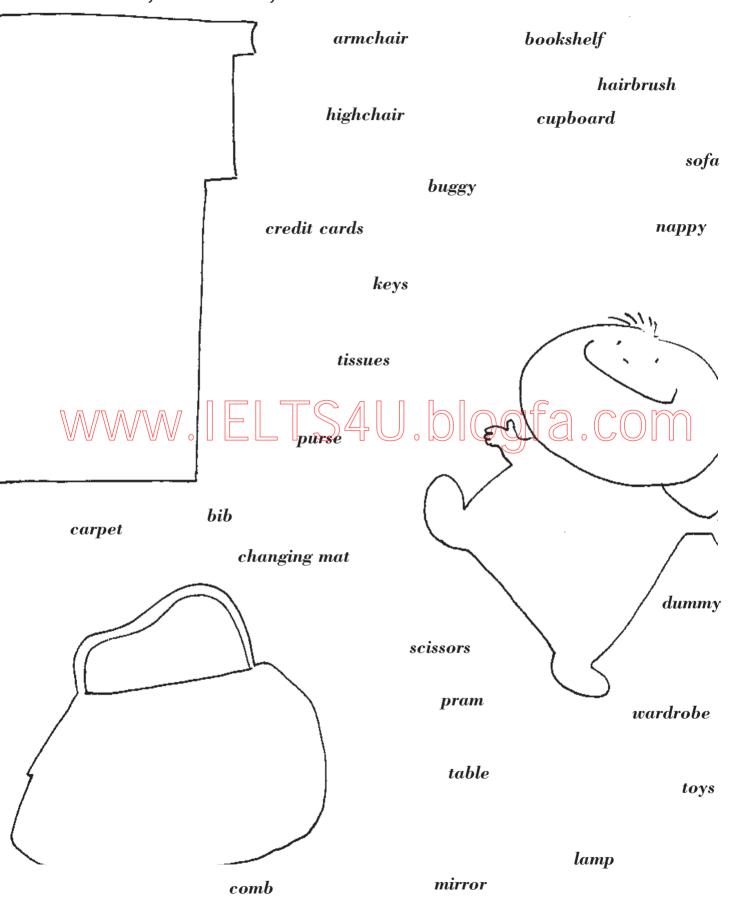


WORD CHECK FOR: Outdoor Clothes, in the Bathroom, Medical Help



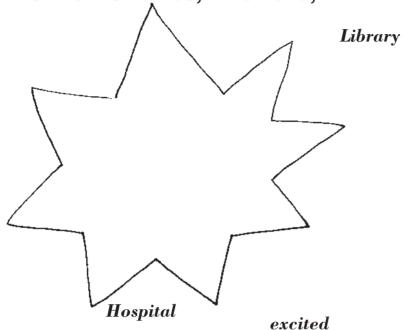
WORD CHECK FOR:

BABIES, FURNITURE, AND THINGS IN THE HANDBAG.



WORD CHECK FOR:

PUBLIC BUILDINGS, EMOTIONS, AND THINGS IN THE SKY



angry

moon

tired

bird

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nervous

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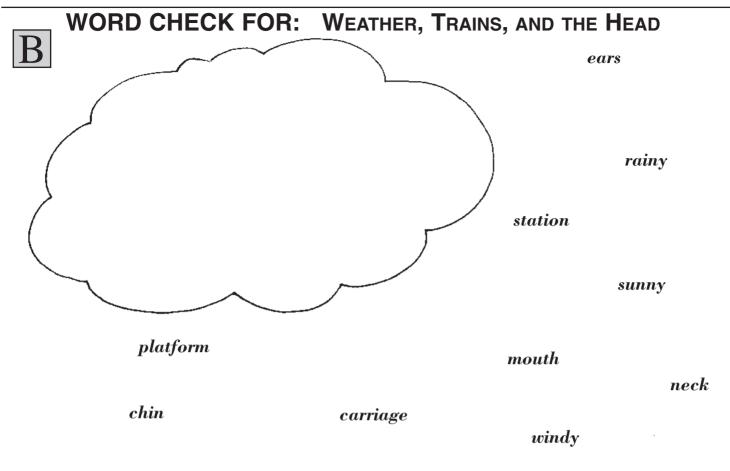
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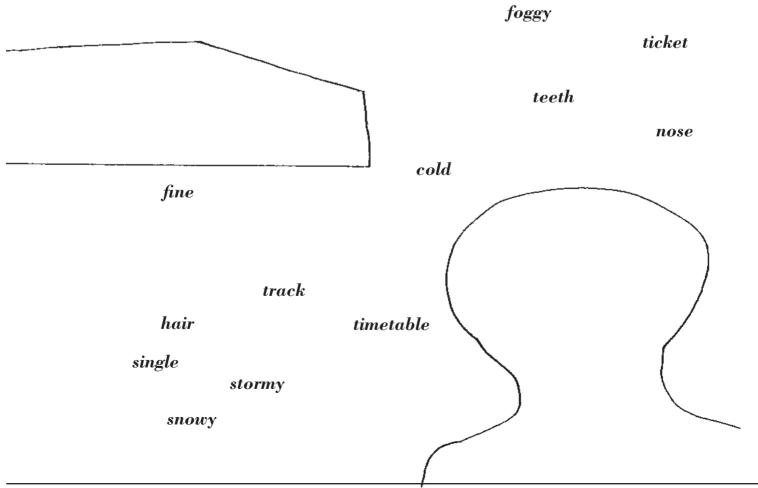
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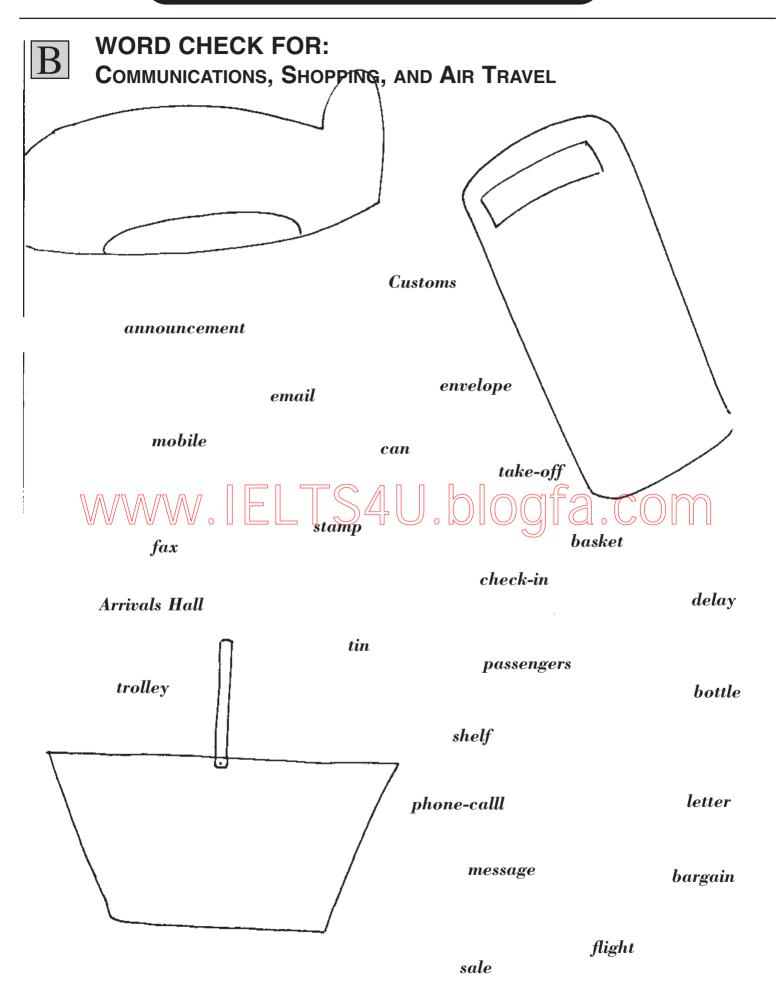


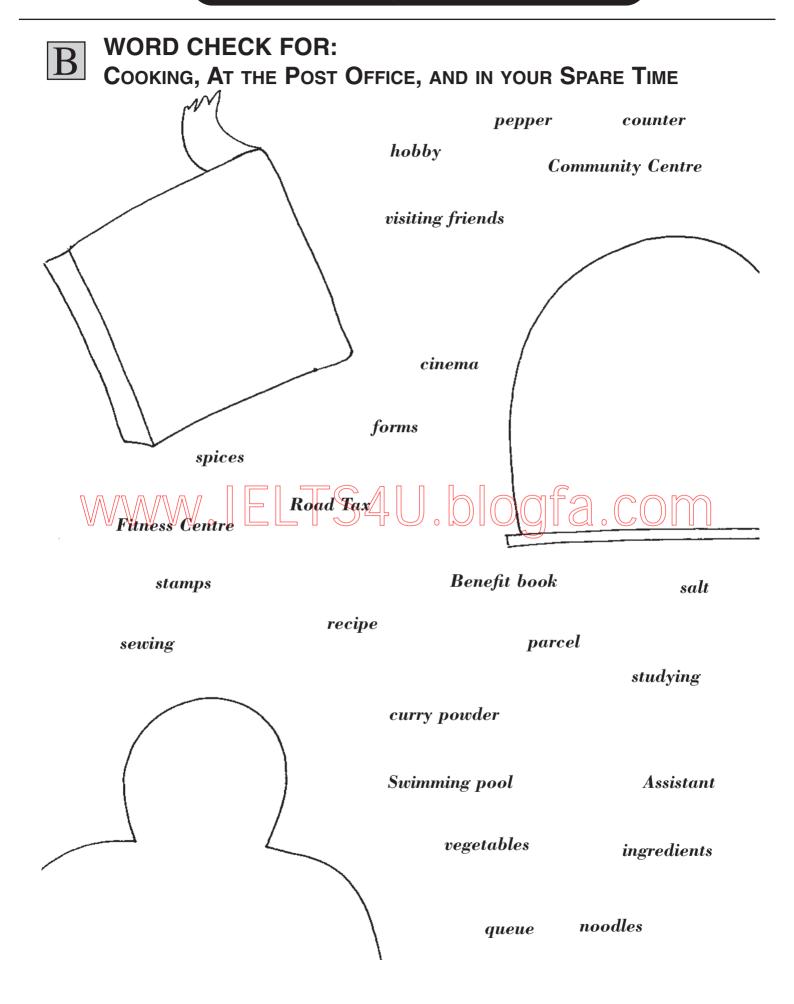
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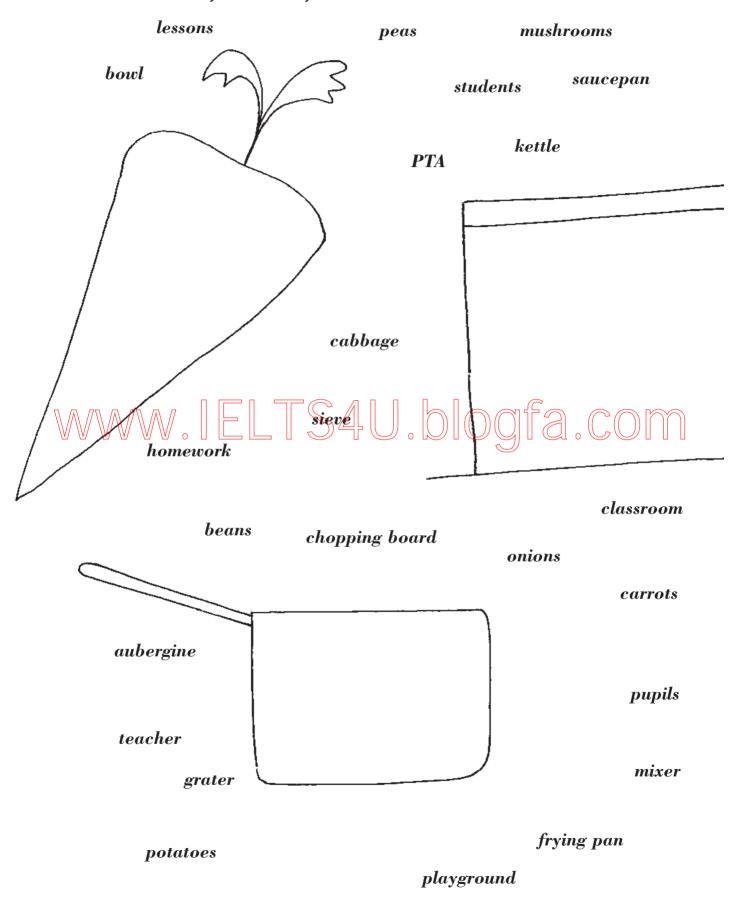
WORD CHECK FOR: PARTS OF THE BODY. IN THE PARK, IN THE KITCHEN hands microwave cooker saucepan head garden grass fridge fingers dishwasher legs flowers feet washing machine arms pond swings chest jogger cupboardpath shoulder

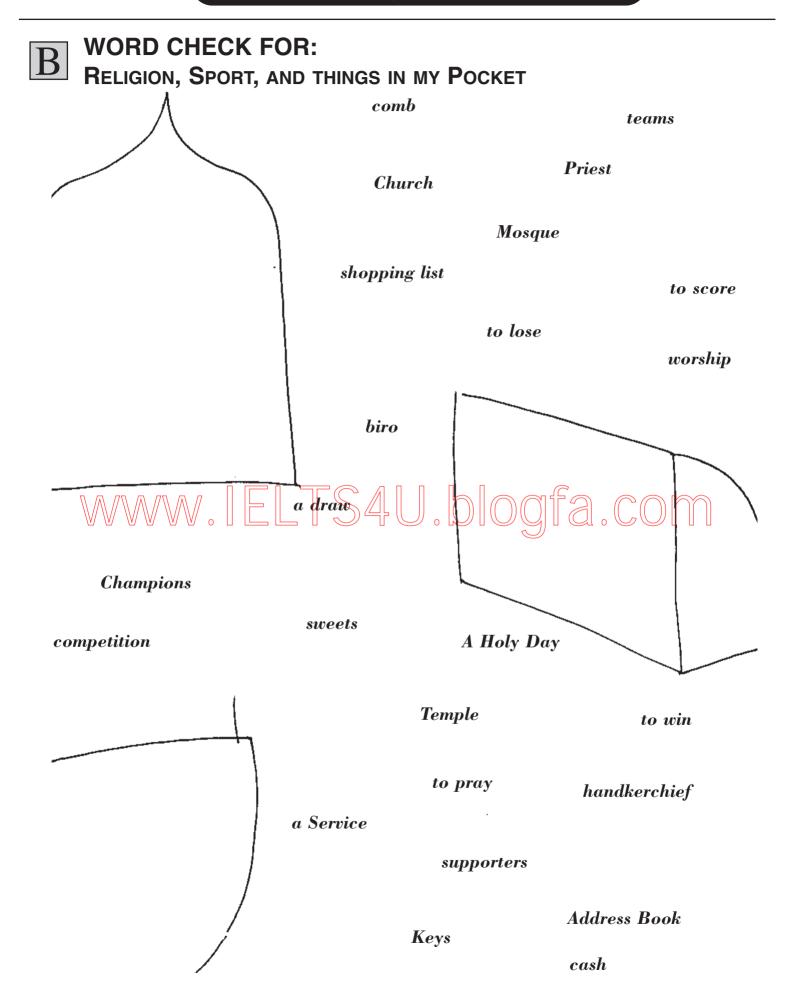
sink





WORD CHECK FOR: Vegetables, School, and things to use in the Kitchen





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