Unit 1

1. age (n) how old someone or something is
   Tom is the same age as Mandy.

2. ankle (n) the bottom part of the leg above the foot
   Lila’s long dress covered her ankles.

3. armchair (n)
   Grandma likes to sit in her armchair near the window.

4. bandage (n) a long strip of cloth used to cover and tie round a wound or injury
   When Ben cut his finger badly, Mum put a bandage on it.

5. beginning (n) the start
   The beginning of the film was exciting so we watched all of it.

6. chapter (n) a part of a book
   Harry read four chapters of his new book.

7. cousin (n) the son or daughter of your aunt and uncle
   We usually play with our cousins at the weekend.

8. escape (n) the action of getting away from something
   The story of the thief’s escape was in the newspaper.

9. event (n) something that happens
   Our school prize day is an important event.

10. express (v) to say thoughts, feelings and ideas
    The man expressed his thanks to the doctor who helped him.

11. Grandad (n) grandfather, grandpa
    Grandad is my mother’s father.

12. great (adj) very good, exciting
    We watched a great film yesterday.

13. history (n) events that happened in the past
    The history of this castle is very interesting.

14. inventor (n) a person who has ideas for new things and makes them
    An American inventor made the first electric light.

15. kind (n) one of a group
    A parrot is a kind of bird.

16. maid (n) a woman servant who looks after the house
    Grandma’s maid brushes the steps every morning.

17. mean (v) to express an idea in words or pictures
    This sign has a red line across it. What does it mean?

18. moneybox (n) a box for keeping money in
    Ben has a few coins in his moneybox.

19. noisily (adv) making a lot of noise
    The children came in noisily and their teacher was cross.

20. note (n) paper money
    Anna has several coins and a lot of notes in her moneybox.

21. ordinary (adj) not special in any way
    These ordinary sunglasses are the cheapest.
**password** (n) a special word that lets you go in somewhere
Sam’s password for his computer is kangaroo2.

**poor** (adj) unlucky
Poor Ben! He has broken his arm.

**promise** (v) to say you will do something
Nina promised to do all her homework at the weekend.

**proudly** (adv) in a proud way, feeling pleased with yourself
Ben walked proudly onto the stage to get his prize.

**ring** (v) to make the sound of a bell
The phone is ringing. Can you answer it, please?

**same** (adj) matching, not different
Anna has the same colour eyes as her sister.

**save** (v) to keep
I am saving my money because I want to buy a computer.

**sentence** (n) a group of words that express a complete idea
Adventure stories often begin with an interesting sentence.

**setting** (n) the place where a story happens
The setting for Red Riding Hood is a big forest.

**shake** (v)
(1) to move something backwards and forwards quickly
Mum shakes the rug when it is dirty.
(2) to turn your head a few times to show the answer ‘No’
Ben asked Grandma if she wanted a drink but she shook her head.

**shook** (v) past tense of shake

**skyscraper** (n) a very tall building
New York is famous for its skyscrapers.

**spend** (v) to use money to pay for things
Don’t spend all your money at once!

**study** (n) a room for reading and writing activities
Dad is working in his study – he’s writing a book.

**surprise** (n) an event that you do not expect
It was a big surprise when Ben won the chess competition.

**take place** (v) to happen
The guide said, “This is the field where the battle took place.”

**widens** (v) to become wider
The river widened as it got near to the sea.

**Unit 2**

**ache** (v) to feel painful
Anna went home from school because her head was aching.

**anyway** (adv) in any event, whatever happens
I don’t like this dress and anyway, it’s much too big.

**boulder** (n) a very large, round rock
During the storm, huge boulders rolled down the mountain.

**breeze** (n) a light, gentle wind
A cool breeze is nice on a hot summer day.