**Modified Academic Word List**

This is taken from the [Academic Word List (AWL), developed by Averil Coxhead](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/alzsh3/acvocab/index.htm). The AWL features 570 of the most frequently appearing academic words, listed according to their frequency. The AWL has been edited here for secondary school students new to English.

For the General Service list (lists of the most common English words) [see here](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/alzsh3/acvocab/wordlists.htm).

**Sublist 1**

• available • financial • process • individual • specific • principle • estimate • method • data • research • contract • environment • source • assessment • policy • identified • create • factors • definition • assume • theory • benefit • evidence • established • authority • major • issues • labour • occur • economic • involved • percent • interpretation • income • structure • legal • formula • section • required • analysis • function • area • role • legislation • indicate • response • period • context • significant • similar •

**Sublist 2**

• community • range • construction • elements • previous • conclusion • security • aspects • features • text • computer • items • consumer • achieve • final • positive • evaluation • assistance • normal • relevant • distinction • traditional • impact • consequences • chapter • equation • appropriate • resources • survey • potential • cultural • transfer • select • affect • categories • perceived • focus • injury • journal • primary • complex • obtained •

**Sublist 3**

• comments • published • negative • dominant • outcomes • constant • ensure • specified • justification • physical • link • alternative • initial • task • techniques • excluded • proportion • demonstrate • reaction • criteria • technology • removed • compensation • sequence • corresponding • maximum • circumstances • considerable • immigration • volume • document • registered • core •

**Sublist 4**

• overall • project • internal • goals • sum • integration • parallel • imposed • despite • job • approximate • label • concentration • principal • series • predicted • summary • attitudes • undertaken • cycle • communication • ethnic • hypothesis • professional • status • conference • annual • obvious • error • commitment • debate • dimensions • promote • statistics • option • domestic • investigation • contrast • adequate

**Sublist 5**

• stability • energy • aware • draft • styles • precise • medical • symbolic • capacity • generation • • decline • academic • external • psychology • fundamental • ratio • whereas • enable • version • perspective • welfare • rejected • expansion • target • objective • sustainable • equivalent • substitution • trend • compounds • evolution • conflict • image • discretion • mental • monitoring • challenge •

**Sublist 6**

• intelligence • presumption • furthermore • accurate • motivation • bond • nevertheless • transport • instructions • capable • preceding • display • incentive • ignored • incidence • revealed • lecture • discrimination • overseas • explicit • gender • brief • rational • minimum • neutral • migration • flexibility • author • initiatives • exceed •

**Sublist 7**

• confirmed • definite • chemical • voluntary • release • visible • file • thesis • equipment • solely • deny • identical • submitted • grade • phenomenon • ultimately • extract • survive • converted • transmission • global • guarantee • advocate • topic • insert • reverse • decades • comprise • hierarchical • unique • couple • mode • priority • ideology • aid • adaptation • quotation • contrary • media • prohibited • isolated •

**Sublist 8**

• highlighted • eventually • reinforced • exploitation • abandon • random • revision • uniform • thereby • vehicle • contemporary • automatically • widespread • infrastructure • guidelines • commodity • minimises • plus • visual • chart • appreciation • contradiction • currency • inevitably • accompany • paragraph • schedule • crucial • via • exhibit • bias • manipulation • theme • nuclear

**Sublist 9**

• behalf • commenced • minimal • ceases • vision • intermediate • manual • supplementary • incompatible • ethical • conversely • relaxed • accommodation • temporary • analogous • military • scenario • revolution • diminished • suspended • mature • controversy • trigger • qualitative • portion • coincide • violation • device • refine • devoted • team • overlap • attained • inherent • route • founded • duration •

**Sublist 10**

• whereby • encountered • convinced • assembly • enormous • reluctant • persistent • undergo • notwithstanding • straightforward • odd • compiled • adjacent • integrity • ongoing • so-called • likewise • nonetheless • colleagues • depression • collapse •