

The 8 Most Common Words In English

the	of	and	to	in	a/an	that	is	TOTAL
6.00%	5.50%	5.00%	4.50%	3.75%	3.25%	2.75%	2.25%	33.00%

- White-out all occurrences of these words from a newspaper article or short story. Students can fill in the missing words from this list, then SELF-CORRECT their own work with an original copy of the material. By reviewing their results, you will see which words are being misused and future lesson plans can be formulated to address these.

The 100 Basic Words That Make Up 50% of All Conversation

One way to get a head start in learning a new language is to realize that, in most languages, 50% of all conversation is composed of approximately 100 words. If you, as a teacher, focus on helping your students to become proficient in using, recognizing, writing and reading these 100 words, your students Will be 50% on their way towards being able to understand basic conversation.

The 100 basic words in the English language are listed below. You will find that if you compare them with their counterparts in French, German, Swedish, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, Chinese, and Japanese nearly 50% of these are almost the same as in English. - Tony Buzan

the	at	there	some	my
of	be	use	her	than
and	this	an	would	first
a / an	have	each	make	water
to	from	which	like	been
in	or	she	him	call
is	one	do	into	who
you	had	how	time	oil
that	by	their	has	its
it	word	if	look	now
he	but	will	two	find
was	not	up	more	long
for	what	other	write	down
on	all	about	go	day
are	were	out	see	did
as	we	many	number	get
with	when	then	no	come
his	your	them	way	made
they	can	these	could	may
I	said	so	people	part

The 800 Most Common Words In English

the	did	put	run	leave	unit	ago	leg	industry	yard
of	number	home	don't	song	power	ran	exercise	value	rise
to	sound	read	while	measure	town	check	wall	fight	bad
and	no	hand	press	door	fine	game	catch	lie	blow
a / an	most	port	close	product	certain	shape	mount	beat	oil
in	people	large	night	black	fly	equate	wish	excite	blood
is	my	spell	real	short	fall	miss	sky	natural	touch
it	over	add	life	numeral	lead	brought	board	view	grew
you	know	even	few	class	cry	heat	joy	sense	cent
that	water	land	north	wind	dark	snow	winter	ear	mix
he	than	here	open	question	machine	tire	sat	else	team
was	call	must	seem	happen	note	bring	written	quite	wire
for	first	big	together	complete	wait	yes	wild	broke	cost
on	who	high	next	ship	plan	distant	instrument	case	lost
are	may	such	white	area	figure	fill	kept	middle	brown
with	down	follow	children	half	star	east	glass	kill	wear
as	side	act	begin	rock	box	paint	grass	son	garden
I	been	why	got	order	noun	language	cow	lake	equal
his	now	ask	walk	fire	field	among	job	moment	sent
they	find	men	example	south	rest	grand	edge	scale	choose
be	any	change	ease	problem	correct	ball	sign	loud	fell
at	new	went	paper	piece	able	yet	visit	spring	fit
one	work	light	group	told	pound	wave	past	observe	flow
have	part	kind	always	knew	done	drop	soft	child	fair
this	take	off	music	pass	beauty	heart	fun	straight	bank
from	get	need	those	since	drive	am	bright	consonant	collect
or	place	house	both	top	stood	present	gas	nation	save
had	made	picture	mark	whole	contain	heavy	weather	dictionary	control
by	live	try	often	king	front	dance	month	milk	decimal
hot	where	us	letter	space	teach	engine	million	speed	gentle
word	after	again	until	heard	week	position	bear	method	woman
but	back	animal	mile	best	final	arm	finish	organ	captain
what	little	point	river	hour	gave	wide	happy	pay	practice
some	only	mother	car	better	green	sail	hope	age	separate
we	round	world	feet	true	oh	material	flower	section	difficult
can	man	near	care	during	quick	size	clothe	dress	doctor
out	year	build	second	hundred	develop	vary	strange	cloud	please
other	came	self	book	five	ocean	settle	gone	surprise	protect
were	show	earth	carry	remember	warm	speak	jump	quiet	noon
all	every	father	took	step	free	weight	baby	stone	whose
there	good	head	science	early	minute	general	eight	tiny	locate
when	me	stand	eat	hold	strong	ice	village	climb	ring
up	give	own	room	west	special	matter	meet	cool	character
use	our	page	friend	ground	mind	circle	root	design	insect
your	under	should	began	interest	behind	pair	buy	poor	caught
how	name	country	idea	reach	clear	include	raise	lot	period
said	very	found	fish	fast	tail	divide	solve	experiment	indicate
an	through	answer	mountain	verb	produce	syllable	metal	bottom	radio
each	just	school	stop	sing	fact	felt	whether	key	spoke
she	form	grow	once	listen	street	perhaps	push	iron	atom
which	sentence	study	base	six	inch	pick	seven	single	human
do	great	still	hear	table	multiply	sudden	paragraph	stick	history
their	think	learn	horse	travel	nothing	count	third	flat	effect
time	say	plant	cut	less	course	square	shall	twenty	electric
if	help	cover	sure	morning	stay	reason	held	skin	expect
will	low	food	watch	ten	wheel	length	hair	smile	crop
way	line	sun	color	simple	full	represent	describe	crease	modern
about	differ	four	face	several	force	art	cook	hole	element
many	turn	between	wood	vowel	blue	subject	floor	trade	hit
then	cause	state	main	toward	object	region	either	melody	student
them	much	keep	enough	war	decide	energy	result	trip	corner
write	mean	eye	plain	lay	surface	hunt	burn	office	party
would	before	never	girl	against	deep	probable	hill	receive	supply
like	move	last	usual	pattern	moon	bed	safe	row	bone
so	right	let	young	slow	island	brother	cat	mouth	rail
these	boy	thought	ready	center	foot	egg	century	exact	imagine
her	old	city	above	love	system	ride	consider	symbol	provide
long	too	tree	ever	person	busy	cell	type	die	agree
make	same	cross	red	money	test	believe	law	least	thus
thing	tell	farm	list	serve	record	fraction	bit	trouble	capital
see	does	hard	though	appear	boat	forest	coast	shout	won't
him	set	start	feel	road	common	sit	copy	except	chair
two	three	might	talk	map	gold	race	phrase	wrote	danger
has	want	story	bird	rain	possible	window	silent	seed	fruit
look	air	saw	soon	rule	plane	store	tall	tone	rich
more	well	far	body	govern	stead	summer	sand	join	thick
day	also	sea	dog	pull	dry	train	soil	suggest	soldier
could	play	draw	family	cold	wonder	sleep	roll	clean	process
go	small	left	direct	notice	laugh	prove	temperature	break	operate
come	end	late	pose	voice	thousand	lone	finger	lady	guess