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NOUNS AND NOUN PHRASES

business angel	a wealthy individual who provides money to start-ups	private(r) Investor(in) (eines Startups)
chancellor of the exchequer UK	the British government minister who is in charge of financial matters	Finanzminister(in)
legroom	the space between your seat and the one in front of you (in an aeroplane, for example) $$	Fußraum
long-haul flight	a long-distance flight	Langstreckenflug
out-of-office message	a message that is automatically sent to the sender of an email to inform them that the recipient is away and will not read the email	Abwesenheitsnotiz
show flat	a model flat in a new building that can be visited by prospective buyers	Musterwohnung
staycation	a holiday spent at home	Urlaub zu Hause ("auf Balkonien")

VERBS

declutter sth.	to clear something (for example, a room) of unnecessary things	etw. entrümpeln
impose sth. on sb.	to force something unpleasant on someone	etw.jmdm.auferlegen
intimidate sb.	to frighten someone so that they will do what you want them to do	jmdn. einschüchtern
recline sth.	to move the back of something (for example, a seat) into a sloping position	etw. nach hinten neigen
shrink	to become or make smaller	schrumpfen
tackle sth.	to deal with something, such as a difficult task or a problem	etw. angehen
treat oneself to sth.	to do something special and pleasant for oneself	sich etw. Schönes gönnen

ADJECTIVES AND ADVERBS

creditable	deserving recognition	anerkennenswert
dead boring	extremely boring	todlangweilig
infamous	well known for being bad	berüchtigt
mutually beneficial	favourable or advantageous to two or more parties	zum gegenseitigen Vorteil
non-negotiable	not open to discussion	nicht verhandelbar
publicly traded	registered at a stock exchange	börsennotiert
quarterly	involving a time period of three months	vierteljährlich
solely	exclusively	ausschließlich

IDIOMS AND EXPRESSIONS

be ready for prime time	to be suitable for extensive use	für eine breite Anwendung taugen
feel out of place	to feel somewhat like a stranger	sich fehl am Platz fühlen
have time to spare	to have much or even too much leisure time	viel Zeit haben
promising	likely to be successful	Erfolg versprechend
set aside a time slot for sth.	to reserve some time for something	ein Zeitfenster für etw. freihalten
tear strips off sb. ifml.	to criticize someone fiercely	jmdn. zur Schnecke machen
touch base with sb. ifml.	to get in contact with someone	sich bei jmdm. melden

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