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### **NOUNS AND NOUN PHRASES**

| alertness          | caution and attentiveness in the face of potential danger   | Wachsamkeit, Aufmerksamkeit |
|--------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| budget overrun     | the spending of more money than is available  | Budgetüberschreitung        |
| day job            | a person's main source of income  | Hauptberuf                  |
| gateway drug       | a drug that is believed to lead someone to take more dangerous and addictive drugs                            | Einstiegsdroge              |
| research lab ifml. | a place where scientists carry out tests  | Forschungslabor             |
| shift allowance UK | the extra money that someone is paid for working at an unusual time (for example, at night or at the weekend) | Schichtzulage               |
| squillions ifml.   | a very large but unspecified quantity or amount   | Abermillionen, Unsummen     |
| vending machine    | a device into which you insert money to buy sweets, drinks, tickets, etc.                                     | (Verkaufs-)Automat          |

## **VERBS**

| browse sth.            | to look around — for example, in a bookshop or on a website — in a relaxed way | etw. durchstöbern                |
|------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| reimburse sb. for sth. | to pay money back to someone for something                                     | jmdm. etw. erstatten             |
| spot sth.              | to see or find something suddenly  | etw. erkennen, ausfindig machen  |
| team up with sb.       | to join someone in order to achieve a common goal                              | sich mit jmdm. zusammenschließen |
| upend sth.             | to turn something upside down  | etw. auf den Kopf stellen        |
| wipe sth. out          | to remove something completely (for example, from one's memory)                | etw. auslöschen                  |

# **ADJECTIVES AND ADVERBS**

| dazed           | unable to think clearly because one is in a state of shock, such as after an accident | benommen                |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------|
| deprived        | not having the basic things one needs to live   | benachteiligt           |
| firmly          | in a determined way   | bestimmt, nachdrücklich |
| forward-looking | with a view towards the future  | zukunftsorientiert      |
| hazardous       | dangerous, particularly to someone's health and safety                                | gefährlich              |
| inbound         | incoming  | eingehend               |
| insurmountable  | too difficult to overcome   | unüberwindlich          |
| unscrupulous    | having no moral standards   | skrupellos              |

### **IDIOMS AND EXPRESSIONS**

| be in line with sth.                    | to be in accordance with something   | im Einklang mit etw. stehen               |
|---|--|---|
| be on the shortlist                     | to be among the candidates who were chosen from a larger group                       | in der engeren Wahl sein                  |
| feel comfortable with sth.              | to be happy with something   | mit etw. zufrieden sein                   |
| give sb. an update                      | to provide someone with the latest information                                       | jmdn. über den neuesten Stand informieren |
| it's rumoured that                      | people say that  | man munkelt, dass                         |
| keep pace with sth.                     | to progress at the same rate as something else                                       | mit etw. Schritt halten                   |
| take a gamble                           | to do something risky  | ein Risiko eingehen                       |
| there's no use crying over spilled milk | there's no point getting upset about some unwanted outcome that has already happened | was geschehen ist, ist geschehen          |

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