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# Vocabulary trainer

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## NOUNS AND NOUN PHRASES

<b>caption</b>	the text below or next to a picture	Bildunterschrift
<b>deep smarts</b> <i>US ifml.</i>	the knowledge and expertise acquired during your working life	etwa: im Berufsleben erworbenes Fachwissen
<b>divide</b>	deep differences between two groups causing tension or hostility	Kluft
<b>medical professional</b>	doctor, nurse or other person who works with or treats patients	Fachkraft in einem medizinischen Beruf
<b>overhead bin</b>	the compartment above your seat on an aeroplane	Gepäckfach (im Flugzeug)
<b>shortfall</b>	too little of something	Defizit
<b>vaping</b>	the smoking of electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes)	Rauchen von E-Zigaretten

## VERBS

<b>cap sth.</b>	to set a limit on something, for example the cost of a project	eine Obergrenze für etw. festlegen, etw. deckeln
<b>capture sth.</b>	to understand and reflect the meaning of something	etw. erfassen
<b>decriminalize sth.</b>	to change a law so that something is no longer an offence	etw. entkriminalisieren
<b>downsize</b>	(relating to housing) to move into a smaller flat or house	sich verkleinern
<b>hassle sb.</b> <i>ifml.</i>	to urge someone strongly and unpleasantly to do something	jmdn. bedrängen
<b>interface with sb.</b>	to get in contact with someone	mit jmdm. in Kontakt treten
<b>strap sth. to sth.</b>	to fasten one thing to another, using a strip of leather or other material	etw. an etw. festschnallen
<b>upsize</b>	(relating to housing) to move into a bigger flat or house	sich vergrößern

## ADJECTIVES AND ADVERBS

<b>benign</b>	(relating to people) kind and gentle; (relating to cancer or similar diseases) not dangerous	gutartig
<b>everyday</b>	something ordinary that might happen or that one might see regularly	alltäglich
<b>illicit</b>	forbidden by law, rules or custom	illegal
<b>pending</b>	imminent, waiting to be completed	ausstehend
<b>stern</b>	strict and severe	streng, hart
<b>touching</b>	giving rise to emotions of sympathy or gratitude	rührend
<b>ventilated</b>	provided with fresh air, for example in reference to a room	belüftet

## IDIOMS AND EXPRESSIONS

<b>add the finishing touches to sth.</b>	to provide the final details of something to make it perfect	etw. den letzten Schliff geben
<b>carry coals to Newcastle</b>	to do something that is totally unnecessary (Newcastle was once a centre of coal mining in England, so you did not need to take coal there)	Eulen nach Athen tragen (in der Antike galten Eulen als Symbol der Göttin Athene)
<b>chances are (that)...</b>	it is very likely (that)...	aller Wahrscheinlichkeit nach...
<b>hit sb.'s desk</b> <i>ifml.</i>	(of a task or documents) received by someone at work to be dealt with	aufjmds. Schreibtisch landen
<b>price sb. out of the market</b>	force a competitor to leave the market by offering products at lower prices	jmdn. durch niedrige Preise vom Markt verdrängen
<b>set the wheels in motion</b>	to do something to make an action start	die Hebel (für etw.) in Bewegung setzen
<b>two-way street: a ~</b>	a situation in which both parties have to make an effort to achieve something	keine Einbahnstraße