



Listen and learn!

You can download an MP3 file of this Key Words list from our website: www.business-spotlight.de/downloads



A PDF of these key words as well as a complete vocabulary list (English–German) for each magazine is available at www.business-spotlight.de/words

Vocabulary trainer

Use our Key Words list to learn vocabulary from the current Business Spotlight. The definitions will help you understand the words — and build your vocabulary.

NOUNS AND NOUN PHRASES

contaminant	a polluting or poisonous substance that makes something impure	Schadstoff
glamping	a combination of “glamorous” and “camping”, meaning “camping in glamorous or luxurious conditions”	luxuriöses Camping
heart rate	the number of heartbeats a person has per minute	Herzfrequenz, Puls
nibbles <i>ifml.</i>	small amounts of food eaten between meals or at a party	Knabberereien, Häppchen
short haul	a short distance travelled, for example by plane or lorry	Kurzstrecke
template	a model to be copied by others; a predetermined format for a document	Vorlage
toiletary miniature	a small piece of soap, a mini-bottle of shampoo or a mini-tube of toothpaste	Mini-Toilettenartikel

VERBS AND VERB PHRASES

demonize sth.	to portray something as bad or evil	etw. verteufeln
flush sth. down	to get rid of something by pouring water on it, for example in a toilet	etw. hinunterspülen
incinerate sth.	to destroy something by burning it	etw. verbrennen
litter a place	to make a place look dirty and untidy by leaving rubbish lying around	einen Ort verschmutzen, zumüllen
nag sb. with sth.	to annoy someone by constantly asking or telling them something that they want nothing to do with	jmdm. mit etw. in den Ohren liegen
outline sth.	to give a short general description of something	etw. (kurz) darstellen
sign up to sth.	to commit (oneself) to something	sich zu etw. verpflichten
trade sth. off for sth.	to exchange one thing for another	etw. gegen etw. (ein)tauschen

ADJECTIVES

compulsive	(of behaviour) difficult to stop or control	zwanghaft
disposable	to be used only once and then thrown away	Einweg-
downcast	sad or depressed	niedergeschlagen
eco-conscious	respectful of the environment	umweltbewusst
intrepid	daring and fearless	kühn, unerschrocken
tempting	very attractive, making you want to have it	verlockend
translucent	letting light pass through, semi-transparent	lichtdurchlässig

IDIOMS AND EXPRESSIONS

do one's bit <i>ifml.</i>	to provide one's contribution to something	seinen Beitrag leisten
have a bad name	to have a bad reputation	einen schlechten Ruf haben
have a point	to not be completely wrong	nicht ganz unrecht haben
pour one's heart into sth.	to do something with dedication and enthusiasm	etw. mit großer Leidenschaft tun
push sb. over the edge <i>ifml.</i>	to make someone go crazy	jmdn. austicken lassen
push the boundaries	to overcome limits or restrictions	die Grenzen überwinden
the tide is starting to turn	a situation is beginning to change, usually for the better	die Kehrtwende ist eingeleitet