**Semester(352) 002/Skills/Unit 1: Important Vocabulary**

Note**: *After the colon(:) comes the examples; aditional(=) means another meaning.***

**Adventurous**=[willing](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/willing) to [try](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/try_1) new and often [difficult](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/difficult) things:

I'm [trying](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/trying) to be more adventurous with my [cooking](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/cooking).

=[exciting](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/exciting) and often [dangerous](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/dangerous): He [led](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/led) an adventurous [life](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/life).

**Ambitious**=[wanting](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/want_1) to be [successful](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/successful) or [powerful](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/powerful): an ambitious [young](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/young_1) [lawyer](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/lawyer).

**Assertive**=[behaving](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/behave) or [speaking](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/speak) in a [strong](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/strong), [confident](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/confident) way: You need to be much more assertive.

**Bossy**=a bossy [person](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/person_1) is always [telling](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/telling) [people](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/people) what to do.

**Cautious**=Someone who is cautious [avoids](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/avoid) [risks](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/risk): He's a cautious [driver](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/driver).

**Creative**=[producing](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/produce) or using [original](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/original) and [unusual](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/unusual) [ideas](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/idea): a creative [person](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/person_1)/[artist](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/artist)/[designer](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/designer)/[programmer](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/programmer) creative [talents](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/talent)/[powers](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/power)/[abilities](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/ability_1)

**Energetic**=having or [involving](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/involve) a lot of [energy](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/energy): an energetic [young](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/young_1) woman

**Generous**=[willing](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/willing) to give [money](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/money), [help](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/help), [kindness](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/kindness), etc., [especially](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/especially) more than is [usual](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/usual) or [expected](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/expect): a very generous man

**Moody**=If someone is moody, they are often [unfriendly](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/unfriendly) because they [feel](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/feel_1) [angry](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/angry) or [unhappy](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/unhappy): He can be very moody and [rude](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/rude).

**Reliable**=[able](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/able) to be [trusted](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/trust_1) or [believed](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/believe): reliable [information](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/information)./ Andy's very reliable - if he says he'll do something, he'll do it.

**Sensible**=[based](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/base) on or [acting](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/acting) on good [judgment](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/judgment) and [practical](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/practical) [ideas](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/idea) or [understanding](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/understanding): a sensible [answer](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/answer)/[approach](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/approach)/[compromise](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/compromise)/[option](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/option). a sensible [person](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/person_1). I [think](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/think) the sensible thing to do is [phone](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/phone) before you go and [ask](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/ask) for [directions](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/direction).

**Sensitive**=[able](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/able) to [understand](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/understand) what [people](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/people) are [feeling](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/feeling) and [deal](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/deal_1) with them in a way that does not [upset](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/upset_1) them: I [want](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/want_1) a man who's [kind](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/kind_1) and sensitive.

=[easily](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/easily) [upset](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/upset_1) by the things [people](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/people) say or do: He was always sensitive to [criticism](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/criticism). /She's very sensitive about her [weight](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/weight).

**Serious**=[thinking](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/thinking) or [speaking](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/speak) [sincerely](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/sincerely) about something and not [joking](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/joke_2): I'm being serious now - this is a very [real](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/real_1) [problem](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/problem)./ Are you serious about [changing](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/change_1) [your](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/your) [job](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/job)?

=A *serious* [person](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/person) is [quiet](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/quiet_1) and does not [laugh](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/laugh_1) often: a serious [child](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/child) You [look](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/look_1) very serious - is something [wrong](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/wrong_1)?

**Sociable**=Sociable [people](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/people) like to [meet](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/meet) and [spend](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/spend) [time](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/time_1) with other [people](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/people): Rob's very sociable - he [likes](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/like_1) his [parties](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/party)./ I had a [headache](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/headache) and I wasn't [feeling](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/feeling) very sociable.

**Talkative**=A talkative [person](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/person) [talks](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/talks) a lot.

**Thoughtful**=[quiet](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/quiet_1) because you are [thinking](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/thinking) about something: You [look](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/look_1) thoughtful.

=[kind](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/kind_1) and always [thinking](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/thinking) about how you can [help](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/help_1) other [people](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/people): Thank you for the [card](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/card) - it was very thoughtful of you.

**Self-confident**=[feeling](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/feeling) [sure](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/sure) about yourself and [your](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/your) [abilities](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/ability).

**Even-tempered**=always [calm](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/calm) and never [angry](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/angry) or too [excited](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/excited) about anything.

**Relaxed**=[feeling](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/feeling) [happy](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/happy) and [comfortable](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/comfortable) because nothing is [worrying](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/worrying) you: She [seemed](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/seem) relaxed and in [control](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/control_1) of the [situation](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/situation).

**Overrated**=If something is overrated, it is [considered](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/considered) to be [better](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/better_1) or more [important](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/important) than it really is.

**Underrated**=to [fail](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/fail) to [understand](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/understand) how [skilful](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/skilful), [important](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/important), etc. someone or something is: The [company](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/company) has [consistently](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/consistent) underrated the [importance](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/importance) of a well-trained [workforce](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/workforce).

**Overshadowed**=to [cause](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/cause_1) someone or something to [seem](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/seem) less [important](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/important) or less [happy](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/happy): Karen has always [felt](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/felt) overshadowed by her [famous](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/famous) [elder](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/elder) [sister](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/sister). My [happiness](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/happiness) was overshadowed by the [bad](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/bad) [news](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/news).

Charismatic=

**Bad-tempered**=a bad-tempered [person](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/person) gets [angry](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/angry) or [annoyed](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/annoyed) [easily](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/easily): Sam's been bad-tempered [recently](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/recently), is something [worrying](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/worrying) him?

**Vital**=[necessary](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/necessary): Tourism is vital to the country's [economy](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/economy).

**Tolerant**=[allowing](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/allow) [people](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/people) to do what they [want](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/want_1) [especially](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/especially) when you do not [agree](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/agree) with it: a tolerant [attitude](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/attitude)/ I [think](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/think_1) we're [becoming](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/become) more tolerant of [children](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/children) in [public](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/public_1) [places](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/place_1).

**Responsible**=[showing](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/showing) good [judgment](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/judgment) and [able](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/able) to be [trusted](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/trust_1): a [hard-working](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/hard-working) and responsible [employee](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/employee)/ a responsible [attitude](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/attitude).

=to be the [person](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/person) whose [duty](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/duty) is to [deal](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/deal_1) with someone or something: I'm responsible for [looking](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/look_1) after the [children](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/children) in the [evenings](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/evening).

**Confident**=being [certain](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/certain) that something will [happen](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/happen): Doctors are confident that she'll [recover](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/recover).

**Upset**=to make someone [worried](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/worried), [unhappy](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/unhappy), or [angry](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/angry): It still upsets him when he [thinks](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/think) about the [accident](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/accident). Don't upset [your](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/your)[self](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/self_1) by [thinking](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/thinking) about what might have been.

**Emotional**=having and [expressing](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/express) [strong](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/strong) [feelings](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/feeling): He's a very emotional man. I [felt](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/felt) [quite](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/quite) emotional during the [wedding](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/wedding) [ceremony](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/british/ceremony).

**Distracted**=[anxious](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/anxious) and [unable](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/unable) to [think](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/think_1) [carefully](http://dictionary.cambridge.org/dictionary/learner-english/careful): After the argument, John felt too distracted to work.