

## 4000 IELTS Academic Words List (2)

### **baby-sitter**

n.

(няня) person engaged to care for children when the parents are not home

### **bachelor**

n.

(бакалавра) unmarried men; the first or lowest academic degree conferred by universities and colleges

### **backbone**

n. Syn. support; mainstay

(позвоночник) support; mainstay; vertebrate spine or spinal column

### **backward**

a.

(назад) directed to the back or rear; unwilling; averse; reluctant; hesitating; undeveloped

### **bacon**

n.

(бекон) back and sides of a pig salted and smoked

### **bacterium**

n.

(бактерии) single celled organism with no nucleus

### **badge**

n.

(значок) distinctive mark, token, or sign worn on the person

### **badminton**

n.

(бадминтон) game played on a court with light long-handled rackets

### **baffle**

v. Syn. frustrate; perplex

(пергородки) frustrate as by confusing or perplexing; impede force or movement of

### **baggage**

n. Syn. luggage; packing

(багажа) trunks, bags, parcels, and suitcases in which one carries one's belongings while traveling; luggage

### **bait**

v. Syn. harass; tease

(приманка) harass; tease; lure, entice, or entrap

## **bake**

v.

(печь) prepare, as food, by cooking in a dry heat, either in an oven or under coals, or on heated stone or metal

## **balance**

n. Syn. equilibrium; symmetry; stability

(баланс) being in equilibrium; equilibrium; symmetry; stability

## **balcony**

n.

(Балкон) platform projecting from the wall of a building

## **bald**

a. Syn. hairless

(лысый) hairless; lacking a natural or usual covering

## **ballet**

n.

(балет) a sort of theatrical representation by dancers

## **balloon**

n.

(воздушный шар) large non-rigid bag filled with gas or heated air

## **ballroom**

n.

(бальные) large room used mainly for dancing

## **bamboo**

n.

(бамбука) plant of the family of grasses, and genus Bambusa, growing in tropical countries

## **band**

n. Syn. orchestra; team

(группа) orchestra; team; strip; ribbon; belt; unite; ally

## **bandage**

n.

(бандаж) strip of woven material, used in dressing and binding up wounds

## **bang**

n.

(взрыва) a vigorous blow; a conspicuous success

## **banker**

n.

(банкир) person in charge of the bank in a gambling game; one who owns or is an executive in a bank

## **bankrupt**

a.

(банкротом) penniless, without any money; financially ruined

## **banner**

n. Syn. flag; sign

(Баннер) flag; sign; a newspaper headline that runs across the full page

## **banquet**

n. Syn. feast

(банкет) feast; entertainment of eating and drinking

## **bar**

n. Syn. caf,

(бар) a counter where you can obtain food or drink; cafe; strip; stick

## **barber**

n. Syn. haircutter; shaver

(Парикмахер) haircutter; one whose business is to cut hair and to shave or trim beards

## **bare**

a. Syn. naked; nude

(голый) lacking the usual or appropriate covering or clothing

## **barely**

ad. Syn. just; only

(едва) just; only; hardly; scarcely

## **bargain**

n.

(сделку) agreement between parties concerning the sale of property

## **barge**

n. Syn. flatboat

(баржа) flatboat; long, large boat for transporting freight that is unpowered and towed or pushed by other craft

## **bark**

n. Syn. yelp; howl

(коры) sound made by a dog; harsh sound uttered by a dog

## **barn**

n.

(сарай) an outlying farm building for storing grain or animal feed and housing farm animals

## **barometer**

n.

(барометр) instrument for determining the weight or pressure of the atmosphere

## **baron**

n.

(барона) title or degree of nobility

## **barrel**

n. Syn. vessel

(баррель) vessel; large cylindrical container

## **barren**

a. Syn. desolate

(бесплодной) desolate; fruitless and unproductive; lacking

## **barrier**

n. Syn. obstacle; hindrance; hurdle

(барьер) obstacle; structure built to bar passage; boundary or limit

## **barter**

v. Syn. trade; exchange

(бартер) trade goods or services without the exchange of money

## **baseball**

n.

(Бейсбол) game played with a bat and ball by two opposing teams of nine players; ball used in this game

## **basement**

n. Syn. cellar

(подвал) cellar; storage room

## **basin**

n.

(бассейн) bowl-shaped vessel, usually used for holding food or liquids

## **bathe**

v. Syn. lave; immerse

(купаться) wash by immersion, as in a bath; subject to bath; lave; immerse or cover one's self

## **batter**

v.

(тесто) beat with successive blows; beat repeatedly and with violence

## **battery**

n.

(батареи) beating or pounding; set of guns or heavy artillery; dry cell that produces electric current

## **bay**

n.

(Bay) inlet of the sea, usually smaller than a gulf; small body of water set off from the main body

## **bazaar**

n.

(базар) market consisting of a street lined with shops and stalls, especially one in the Middle East

## **bead**

n. Syn. pearl; drops; droplet

(шарик) small piece of material, such as glass, plastic, or wood, that is pierced for stringing

## **beak**

n. Syn. nib

(клюв) nib ;horny projecting mouth of a bird

## **beam**

n. Syn. rafter; brace

(пучка) ray of light; long piece of metal or wood; long piece fixed or movable in structure, machine, or tool

## **bean**

n.

(фасоль) various edible seeds; small oval or roundish seed, berry, nut, or lump

## **bear**

v. Syn. support; sustain

(медведь) support; sustain; carry; have; yield; give birth; hold up or support

## **bearing**

n.

(подшипники) carrying another part; patient endurance; suffering without complaint; act of producing or giving birth

## **beat**

v. Syn. whip; strike; defeat

(бить) whip; strike; defeat; hit repeatedly

## **become**

v.

(стать) suit or be suitable to; be worthy of, or proper for; cause to appear well; grow or come to be

## **beforehand**

ad. Syn. previously; aforesaid

(заранее) in state of anticipation; in advance; by way of preparation

## **behalf**

n. Syn. represent

(имени) represent; advantage, benefit, interest of someone

## **behave**

v. Syn. perform; behave oneself

(себя) perform; conduct oneself in a proper way

## **behavior**

n. Syn. conduct; manner  
(поведение) conduct; manner

## **belly**

n.  
(живот) part of human body which extends downward from breast to thighs, and contains bowels; womb

## **beloved**

a.  
(любимого) greatly loved; dear to the heart

## **below**

ad. Syn. beneath; under  
(ниже) under, or lower in place; beneath not so high; inferior to in rank; unworthy of

## **bend**

v.  
(изгиб) strain or move out of a straight line; curve; turn toward some certain point

## **beneath**

ad. Syn. below; under  
(под) lower in place, with something directly over or on; under; underneath; below

## **beneficial**

a. Syn. helpful; useful  
(полезных) helpful; tending to promote physical well-being

## **beneficiary**

n.  
(получатель) person entitled to benefits or proceeds of an insurance policy or will

## **benefit**

n. Syn. welfare; gain  
(выгоды) advantage; something that aids or promotes well-being ; welfare; gain

## **benevolent**

a. Syn. generous; charitable  
(доброжелательный) generous in providing aid to others; charitable

## **bent**

a.  
(Бент) determined to do or have

## **besides**

ad.  
(Кроме) over and above; separate or distinct from; in addition to; other than

## **bestow**

v. Syn. present  
(даровать) give as gift; present

## **bet**

n.  
(ставки) stake or pledge upon the event of a contingent issue; amount or object risked in a wager

## **betray**

v. Syn. reveal  
(предать) be unfaithful; reveal unconsciously or unwillingly

## **beverage**

n. Syn. refreshment  
(напитки) liquids for drinking, usually excluding water; refreshment

## **bewilder**

v. Syn. confuse  
(замешательство) lead into perplexity or confusion; perplex with mazes

## **bias**

n. Syn. prejudice; preference  
(смещения) preference or inclination, especially one that inhibits impartial judgment; influence in unfair way

## **bid**

v.  
(ставки) make an offer of; propose; offer in words; declare, as a wish, a greeting, a threat, or defiance

## **bill**

n. Syn. invoice  
(законопроекта) invoice; act; proposal; statement or list of particulars, such as a theater program or menu

## **billion**

n.  
(млрд.) the number that is represented as a one followed by 9 zeros

## **bind**

v. Syn. contract; cohere; stick  
(связывать) tie, or confine with a cord, band, or chain; make fast; contract; cohere or stick together

## **biographer**

n.  
(биограф) one who writes a book about somebody's life

## **biography**

n.

(биография) an account of the series of events making up a person's life; accounts of people's life

## **biologist**

n.

(биолог) scientist who studies living organisms

## **bite**

v.

(куса) pierce skin with teeth; seize with the teeth; sting with a stinger; eat into; have a sharp taste

## **bitter**

a. Syn. painful; acrid; acrimonious

(горький) harsh or corrosive in tone; painful; acrid; acrimonious

## **bitterness**

n.

(горечь) sharp and bitter manner

## **blacksmith**

n.

(кузнец) one who forges and shapes iron with a hammer and anvil

## **blade**

n.

(лезвие) flat part of the leaf, of any plant, especially of gramineous plants; cutting part of an instrument

## **blame**

v. Syn. condemn; rebuke

(вину) condemn; rebuke; find fault with; censure

## **blank**

a.

(пустой) of a white or pale color; without color; empty; void

## **blanket**

n.

(одеяло) heavy, loosely woven fabric, usually of wool, and having a nap, used in bed clothing

## **blast**

n. Syn. explode; burst

(взрыва) explode; burst; gale; very strong gust of wind or air

## **blaze**

n. Syn. flame

(пожар) brilliant burst of fire; destructive fire; flame

## **bleach**



v. Syn. whiten; blanch  
(отбеливание) make white or colorless; blanch

## **bleed**

v.  
(кровотечение) emit blood; lose blood; withdraw blood from the body

## **blend**

n. Syn. combination; mixture  
(смесь) combination; mixture; forming uniform mixture

## **bless**

v.  
(благословит) make or pronounce holy; consecrate; make happy

## **blessing**

n. Syn. boon; benediction  
(благословению) praying for divine protection; formal act of giving approval

## **blink**

v. Syn. wink  
(мигать) shut eyes briefly; wink

## **block**

v. Syn. chunk  
(блок) hinder; obstruct; indicate broadly without great detail; sketch

## **bloom**

n. Syn. flower; blossom  
(цветения) flower; blossom; best time of youth; period of greatest prosperity or productivity

## **blossom**

n.  
(цветок) reproductive organ of plants, especially one having showy or colorful parts

## **blot**

n.  
(пятно) spot or stain, as of ink on paper; blur; weak point or failing

## **blunder**

n. Syn. error  
(ошибка) serious mistake typically caused by ignorance or confusion

## **blunt**

a. Syn. insensitive  
(тупой) having a dull edge or end; not sharp; lacking in feeling; insensitive

## **blush**

v.

(краснеть) become rosy or reddish; turn red, as if in embarrassment or shame

## **board**

n. Syn. lumber; plank

(Доска объявлений) a committee having supervisory powers; a flat piece of material designed for a special purpose

## **boarding**

n.

(интернат) wooden boards collectively; act of entering a ship; supplying with meals and lodgings for pay

## **boast**

v. Syn. brag; vaunt

(похвастаться) show off oneself; speak of with excessive pride

## **bodyguard**

n.

(телохранитель) guard to protect or defend person; lifeguard

## **boil**

v.

(кипения) be agitated; pass from a liquid to vapor when heated; be excited with passion; heat in water

## **bold**

a. Syn. brave; daring; intrepid; impudent

(смелые) brave; daring; intrepid; impudent

## **bolt**

v. Syn. dash

(болт) dash or dart off; move or jump suddenly

## **bond**

n. Syn. link; tie; connection

(связь) link; connection; uniting force or tie; binding agreement; duty

## **bonus**

n.

(Бонусы) an extra dividend to the shareholders; money paid in addition to a stated compensation

## **bookcase**

n.

(Стеллаж) case with shelves for holding books, especially one with glazed doors

## **boom**

n. Syn. bonanza; prosperity

(бум) bonanza; prosperity; prosper; expand; flourish

## **booming**

a.

(бум) deep and resonant; flourishing; thriving

## **boost**

v. Syn. raise; advance

(повысить) raise; advance; push or shove upward

## **booth**

n.

(стенд) house or shed built for temporary occupation; covered stall or temporary structure

## **border**

n.

(границы) outer part or edge of anything, as of a garment, a garden; margin; verge; brink; boundary

## **bore**

v. Syn. drill

(отверстие) drill; make a hole in or through, with or as if with a drill

## **boring**

a. Syn. tiresome; tedious

(скучно) uninteresting and tiresome; dull

## **bother**

v. Syn. disturb; puzzle

(беспокоить) annoy; trouble; make agitated or nervous; fluster

## **bounce**

v. Syn. jolt; rebound

(отказов) jolt; rebound after having struck an object or a surface

## **bound**

n. Syn. limit; constraint

(оценки) tied; held; committed; limit; constraint; leap; jump

## **boundary**

n. Syn. border; frontier

(границы) dividing line; border; frontier

## **bourgeois**

a.

(буржуазной) middle class; selfishly materialistic; dully conventional

## **bow**

n.

(лук) inclination of head, or bending of body for reverence, respect, civility, or submission; bending or rounded part of ship forward

## **bowl**

v.

(чаши) throw or roll a ball; move quickly and smoothly, especially by rolling

## **boycott**

v.

(бойкот) refrain from buying or using

## **brace**

n.

(скобка) something which holds anything tightly or supports it firmly, as bandage, cord, or rod;

## **brain**

n. Syn. intelligence; intellect

(мозга) organ or seat of intellect; understanding or imagination

## **brake**

n.

(тормозные) a piece of mechanism for retarding or stopping motion by friction

## **brand**

n.

(Бренд) burning piece of wood; mark made by burning with a hot iron; distinctive mark upon in any way

## **breach**

n. Syn. violation; infringement

(нарушение) breaking of contract or duty

## **breadth**

n. Syn. width; extent

(ширина) measure or dimension from side to side; width; extent

## **break**

n.

(перерыв) opportunity to do something; pause or interval, as from work; sudden change

## **breakdown**

n.

(пробоя) process of failing to function or continue; sudden collapse in physical or mental health; summary of itemized data

## **breakthrough**

n.

(прорыв) act of overcoming or penetrating an obstacle or restriction

## **breath**

n.

(дыхание) air that is inhaled and exhaled in respiration

## **breathe**

v. Syn. respire  
(дышать) respire; inhale and exhale air

## **breed**

v. Syn. raise; hatch; mate  
(породы) raise; produce offspring; give birth to or hatch; mate

## **breeze**

n. Syn. light wind  
(ветер) light current of air; gentle wind; progress swiftly and effortlessly

## **bribe**

n.  
(взятки) something serving to influence or persuade; reward or gift with a view to prevent judgment

## **bridle**

n.  
(уздечку) headgear with which a horse is directed and which carries a bit and reins

## **brief**

a.  
(краткий) short in time, duration, length, or extent; concise

## **brighten**

v. Syn. lighten  
(скрасить) lighten; cheer; encourage; make or become bright or brighter

## **brilliance**

n. Syn. cleverness; magnificence  
(блеск) cleverness; magnificence

## **brilliant**

a.  
(блестящий) full of light; shining; bright; sharp and clear in tone

## **brim**

n. Syn. brink; edge  
(край) brink; edge

## **brink**

n. Syn. verge; border  
(границы) edge, margin, or border of a steep place verge

## **brisk**

a. Syn. energetic; swift  
(оживленная) marked by speed, liveliness, and vigor; energetic; swift; keen or sharp in speech or manner

## **brittle**

a.  
(хрупкого) easily broken; having little elasticity

## **broadcast**

n.  
(трансляции) message that is transmitted by radio or television; radio or television show

## **broaden**

v. Syn. widen; expand  
(расширить) widen; grow broad or broader

## **brochure**

n. Syn. pamphlet  
(брошюры) pamphlet; small book usually having paper cover

## **bronze**

n.  
(бронза) an alloy of copper and tin and sometimes other elements

## **brood**

v.  
(выводок) think long and anxiously; be in a state of gloomy, serious thought

## **brook**

n. Syn. creek; stream  
(Брук) creek; stream

## **brown**

a.  
(коричневый) of dark color, of various shades between black and red or yellow

## **bruise**

v.  
(синяк) injure, as by a blow or collision; contuse; fight with the fists

## **brutal**

a.  
(жестокий) like a brute; savage; cruel; inhuman; merciless

## **brute**

a.  
(грубая) not having sensation; senseless; inanimate; unconscious; without intelligence

## **bubble**

n. Syn. foam  
(пузыря) foam; dome-shaped covering made of transparent glass or plastic; fantastic or impracticable idea or belief

## **bucket**

n.

(ведро) vessel for drawing up water from a well; vessel for hoisting and conveying coal, ore, grain

## **bud**

n. Syn. shoot; sprout

(почки) one that is not yet fully developed; sprout

## **budget**

n. Syn. estimate

(бюджет) estimate; a sum of money allocated for a particular purpose

## **buffet**

n.

("шведский стол") table with food set out for people to serve themselves; meal at which people help themselves to food that's been set out

## **bug**

n.

(ошибка) general name applied to various insects

## **bulb**

n.

(лампа) rounded part of a cylindrical structure; electric lamp consisting of a glass ball

## **bulk**

n. Syn. majority; mass

(Массовые) majority; main part; volume; mass

## **bulky**

a. Syn. cumbersome; unwieldy; clumsy

(громоздких) of large size for its weight

## **bull**

n.

(бык) male of any species of cattle; large, strong, and aggressive person; optimist regarding business conditions

## **bulletin**

n.

(Бюллетень) brief statement of facts; any public notice or announcement; a periodical publication

## **bullion**

n.

(слитках) gold and silver in the form of bars

## **bump**

n. Syn. lump; bulge

(удар) impact as from a collision; lump on the body caused by a blow

## **bunch**

n. Syn. clump; cluster; gathering  
(куча) clump; cluster; gathering

## **bundle**

n. Syn. packet; parcel  
(расслоения) packet; a package of things tied together; a large sum of money

## **burdensome**

a.  
(обременительным) not easily borne; wearing; causing uneasiness or fatigue

## **bureaucracy**

n.  
(бюрократия) over-regulated administrative system

## **burial**

n. Syn. grave  
(захоронения) grave or tomb; ritual placing of a corpse in a grave; concealing something under the ground

## **bush**

n. Syn. shrub  
(Буш) place abounding in trees or shrubs; wild forest

## **business**

n.  
(бизнес) rightful concern or responsibility; occupation, work, or trade in which a person is engaged; commercial enterprise

## **butcher**

n. Syn. slaughterer  
(мясника) one whose job is to kill animals for food; one who kills in large numbers, or with unusual cruelty; vendor, especially on train or in theater

## **butter**

n.  
(масло) oily, unctuous substance obtained from cream or milk by churning

## **butterfly**

n.  
(Бабочки) insect typically having a slender body with broad colorful wings

## **buzz**

n.  
(Buzz) confusion of activity and gossip; sound of rapid vibration

## **bygone**



a.  
(ушедшей) past; gone by

### **bypass**

n.  
(обхода) channel used to conduct gas or liquid around another pipe or a fixture; conductor having low resistance in parallel

### **by-product**

n.  
(побочный продукт) product made during the manufacture of something else