

(Averil Coxhead's) High-Incidence Academic Word List (AWL) – Alphabetical Order

Words of highest frequency are followed by the number 1

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|--------------|----|---------------|----|---------------|----|-------------|----|----------------|----|
| abandon | 8 | bias | 8 | constitute | 1 | distinct | 2 | fee | 6 |
| abstract | 6 | bond | 6 | constrain | 3 | distort | 9 | file | 7 |
| academy | 5 | brief | 6 | construct | 2 | distribute | 1 | final | 2 |
| access | 4 | bulk | 9 | consult | 5 | diverse | 6 | finance | 1 |
| accommodate | 9 | capable | 6 | consume | 2 | document | 3 | finite | 7 |
| accompany | 8 | capacity | 5 | contact | 5 | domain | 6 | flexible | 6 |
| accumulate | 8 | category | 2 | contemporary | 8 | domestic | 4 | fluctuate | 8 |
| accurate | 6 | cease | 9 | context | 1 | dominate | 3 | focus | 2 |
| achieve | 2 | challenge | 5 | contract | 1 | draft | 5 | format | 9 |
| acknowledge | 6 | channel | 7 | contradict | 8 | drama | 8 | formula | 1 |
| acquire | 2 | chapter | 2 | contrary | 7 | duration | 9 | forthcoming | 10 |
| adapt | 7 | chart | 8 | contrast | 4 | dynamic | 7 | foundation | 7 |
| adequate | 4 | chemical | 7 | contribute | 3 | economy | 1 | found | 9 |
| adjacent | 10 | circumstance | 3 | controversy | 9 | edit | 6 | framework | 3 |
| adjust | 5 | cite | 6 | convene | 3 | element | 2 | function | 1 |
| administrate | 2 | civil | 4 | converse | 9 | eliminate | 7 | fund | 3 |
| adult | 7 | clarify | 8 | convert | 7 | emerge | 4 | fundamental | 5 |
| advocate | 7 | classic | 7 | convince | 10 | emphasis | 3 | furthermore | 6 |
| affect | 2 | clause | 5 | cooperate | 6 | empirical | 7 | gender | 6 |
| aggregate | 6 | code | 4 | coordinate | 3 | enable | 5 | generate | 5 |
| aid | 7 | coherent | 9 | core | 3 | encounter | 10 | generation | 5 |
| albeit | 10 | coincide | 9 | corporate | 3 | energy | 5 | globe | 7 |
| allocate | 6 | collapse | 10 | correspond | 3 | enforce | 5 | goal | 4 |
| alter | 5 | colleague | 10 | couple | 7 | enhance | 6 | grade | 7 |
| alternative | 3 | commence | 9 | create | 1 | enormous | 10 | grant | 4 |
| ambiguous | 8 | comment | 3 | credit | 2 | ensure | 3 | guarantee | 7 |
| amend | 5 | commission | 2 | criteria | 3 | entity | 5 | guideline | 8 |
| analogy | 9 | commit | 4 | crucial | 8 | environment | 1 | hence | 4 |
| analyse | 1 | commodity | 8 | culture | 2 | equate | 2 | hierarchy | 7 |
| annual | 4 | communicate | 4 | currency | 8 | equip | 7 | highlight | 8 |
| anticipate | 9 | community | 2 | cycle | 4 | equivalent | 5 | hypothesis | 4 |
| apparent | 4 | compatible | 9 | data | 1 | erode | 9 | identical | 7 |
| append | 8 | compensate | 3 | debate | 4 | error | 4 | identify | 1 |
| appreciate | 8 | compile | 10 | decade | 7 | establish | 1 | ideology | 7 |
| approach | 1 | complement | 8 | decline | 5 | estate | 6 | ignorance | 6 |
| appropriate | 2 | complex | 2 | deduce | 3 | estimate | 1 | illustrate | 3 |
| approximate | 4 | component | 3 | define | 1 | ethic | 9 | image | 5 |
| arbitrary | 8 | compound | 5 | definite | 7 | ethnic | 4 | immigrate | 3 |
| area | 1 | comprehensive | 7 | demonstrate | 3 | evaluate | 2 | impact | 2 |
| aspect | 2 | comprise | 7 | denote | 8 | eventual | 8 | implement | 4 |
| assemble | 10 | compute | 2 | deny | 7 | evident | 1 | implicate | 4 |
| assess | 1 | conceive | 10 | depress | 10 | evolve | 5 | implicit | 8 |
| assign | 6 | concentrate | 4 | derive | 1 | exceed | 6 | imply | 3 |
| assist | 2 | concept | 1 | design | 2 | exclude | 3 | impose | 4 |
| assume | 1 | conclude | 2 | despite | 4 | exhibit | 8 | incentive | 6 |
| assure | 9 | concurrent | 9 | detect | 8 | expand | 5 | incidence | 6 |
| attach | 6 | conduct | 2 | deviate | 8 | expert | 6 | incline | 10 |
| attain | 9 | confer | 4 | device | 9 | explicit | 6 | income | 1 |
| attitude | 4 | confine | 9 | devote | 9 | exploit | 8 | incorporate | 6 |
| attribute | 4 | confirm | 7 | differentiate | 7 | export | 1 | index | 6 |
| author | 6 | conflict | 5 | dimension | 4 | expose | 5 | indicate | 1 |
| authority | 1 | conform | 8 | diminish | 9 | external | 5 | individual | 1 |
| automate | 8 | consent | 3 | discrete | 5 | extract | 7 | induce | 8 |
| available | 1 | consequent | 2 | discriminate | 6 | facilitate | 5 | inevitable | 8 |
| aware | 5 | considerable | 3 | displace | 8 | factor | 1 | infer | 7 |
| behalf | 9 | consist | 1 | display | 6 | feature | 2 | infrastructure | 8 |
| benefit | 1 | constant | 3 | dispose | 7 | federal | 6 | inherent | 9 |

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|--------------|----|-----------------|----|--------------|----|-----------------|----|------------|----|
| inhibit | 6 | migrate | 6 | precede | 6 | reverse | 7 | tense | 8 |
| initial | 3 | military | 9 | precise | 5 | revise | 8 | terminate | 8 |
| initiate | 6 | minimal | 9 | predict | 4 | revolution | 9 | text | 2 |
| injure | 2 | minimise | 8 | predominant | 8 | rigid | 9 | theme | 8 |
| innovate | 7 | minimum | 6 | preliminary | 9 | role | 1 | theory | 1 |
| input | 6 | ministry | 6 | presume | 6 | route | 9 | thereby | 8 |
| insert | 7 | minor | 3 | previous | 2 | scenario | 9 | thesis | 7 |
| insight | 9 | mode | 7 | primary | 2 | schedule | 8 | topic | 7 |
| inspect | 8 | modify | 5 | prime | 5 | scheme | 3 | trace | 6 |
| instance | 3 | monitor | 5 | principal | 4 | scope | 6 | tradition | 2 |
| institute | 2 | motive | 6 | principle | 1 | section | 1 | transfer | 2 |
| instruct | 6 | mutual | 9 | prior | 4 | sector | 1 | transform | 6 |
| integral | 9 | negate | 3 | priority | 7 | secure | 2 | transit | 5 |
| integrate | 4 | network | 5 | proceed | 1 | seek | 2 | transmit | 7 |
| integrity | 10 | neutral | 6 | process | 1 | select | 2 | transport | 6 |
| intelligence | 6 | nevertheless | 6 | professional | 4 | sequence | 3 | trend | 5 |
| intense | 8 | nonetheless | 10 | prohibit | 7 | series | 4 | trigger | 9 |
| interact | 3 | norm | 9 | project | 4 | sex | 3 | ultimate | 7 |
| intermediate | 9 | normal | 2 | promote | 4 | shift | 3 | undergo | 10 |
| internal | 4 | notion | 5 | proportion | 3 | significant | 1 | underlie | 6 |
| interpret | 1 | notwithstanding | 10 | prospect | 8 | similar | 1 | undertake | 4 |
| interval | 6 | nuclear | 8 | protocol | 9 | simulate | 7 | uniform | 8 |
| intervene | 7 | objective | 5 | psychology | 5 | site | 2 | unify | 9 |
| intrinsic | 10 | obtain | 2 | publication | 7 | so-called | 10 | unique | 7 |
| invest | 2 | obvious | 4 | publish | 3 | sole | 7 | utilise | 6 |
| investigate | 4 | occupy | 4 | purchase | 2 | somewhat | 7 | valid | 3 |
| invoke | 10 | occur | 1 | pursue | 5 | source | 1 | vary | 1 |
| involve | 1 | odd | 10 | qualitative | 9 | specific | 1 | vehicle | 8 |
| isolate | 7 | offset | 8 | quote | 7 | specify | 3 | version | 5 |
| issue | 1 | ongoing | 10 | radical | 8 | sphere | 9 | via | 8 |
| item | 2 | option | 4 | random | 8 | stable | 5 | violate | 9 |
| job | 4 | orient | 5 | range | 2 | statistic | 4 | virtual | 8 |
| journal | 2 | outcome | 3 | ratio | 5 | status | 4 | visible | 7 |
| justify | 3 | output | 4 | rational | 6 | straightforward | 10 | vision | 9 |
| label | 4 | overall | 4 | react | 3 | strategy | 2 | visual | 8 |
| labour | 1 | overlap | 9 | recover | 6 | stress | 4 | volume | 3 |
| layer | 3 | overseas | 6 | refine | 9 | structure | 1 | voluntary | 7 |
| lecture | 6 | panel | 10 | regime | 4 | style | 5 | welfare | 5 |
| legal | 1 | paradigm | 7 | region | 2 | submit | 7 | whereas | 5 |
| legislate | 1 | paragraph | 8 | register | 3 | subordinate | 9 | whereby | 10 |
| levy | 10 | parallel | 4 | regulate | 2 | subsequent | 4 | widespread | 8 |
| liberal | 5 | parameter | 4 | reinforce | 8 | subsidy | 6 | | |
| licence | 5 | participate | 2 | reject | 5 | substitute | 5 | | |
| likewise | 10 | partner | 3 | relax | 9 | successor | 7 | | |
| link | 3 | passive | 9 | release | 7 | sufficient | 3 | | |
| locate | 3 | perceive | 2 | relevant | 2 | sum | 4 | | |
| logic | 5 | percent | 1 | reluctance | 10 | summary | 4 | | |
| maintain | 2 | period | 1 | rely | 3 | supplement | 9 | | |
| major | 1 | persist | 10 | remove | 3 | survey | 2 | | |
| manipulate | 8 | perspective | 5 | require | 1 | survive | 7 | | |
| manual | 9 | phase | 4 | research | 1 | suspend | 9 | | |
| margin | 5 | phenomenon | 7 | reside | 2 | sustain | 5 | | |
| mature | 9 | philosophy | 3 | resolve | 4 | symbol | 5 | | |
| maximise | 3 | physical | 3 | resource | 2 | tape | 6 | | |
| mechanism | 4 | plus | 8 | respond | 1 | target | 5 | | |
| media | 7 | policy | 1 | restore | 8 | task | 3 | | |
| mediate | 9 | portion | 9 | restrain | 9 | team | 9 | | |
| medical | 5 | pose | 10 | restrict | 2 | technical | 3 | | |
| medium | 9 | positive | 2 | retain | 4 | technique | 3 | | |
| mental | 5 | potential | 2 | reveal | 6 | technology | 3 | | |
| method | 1 | practitioner | 8 | revenue | 5 | temporary | 9 | | |