

Topic 5 A diverse society

Symbole und Abkürzungen

↔	ist das Gegenteil von ...	(AE)	Amerikanisches Englisch	(no pl)	kein Plural
→	ist verwandt mit	(BE)	Britisches Englisch	etw	etwas
=	entspricht	(sg)	Einzahl (Singular)	jdn	jemanden
sth	something	(pl)	Mehrzahl (Plural)	jdm	jemandem
sb	somebody			(ugs)	umgangssprachlich

Getting started

Englisch	Deutsch	Beispiele / Erklärungen	Eigene Beispiele oder Übersetzung in die Muttersprache
diverse	vielfältig	diverse → diversity	
hideous	hässlich; scheusslich	He was wearing a hideous green shirt and striped trousers.	
idyllic	idyllisch	They were hiking in an idyllic landscape with rolling hills and little lakes.	
sustainable	nachhaltig; umweltgerecht	sustainable → sustainability	
to assess sth	etw beurteilen	to assess = to evaluate	
in order of importance	nach Wichtigkeit (sortiert)	Please sort your list of tasks in order of importance.	
cost of living	Lebenshaltungskosten	The cost of living in London has risen dramatically over the last few years.	
proximity	Nähe	proximity = nearness	
supply	Versorgung	supply → supplier → to supply	
climate crisis	Klimakrise	Governments urgently need to tackle the climate crisis if they want to avoid natural disasters.	

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urgent	dringend	= requiring immediate action	
planet	Planet	We need to save our planet!	
ability	Fähigkeit; Begabung	ability → to be able to do sth	
zero-energy house	Null-Energie-Haus	= a building that produces all the energy it needs	
feature	Eigenschaft; Merkmal	feature = characteristic	
resource	Mittel; Ressourcen	Natural resources are essential for our life on Earth.	
energy consumption	Energieverbrauch	= the use of energy	
insulated	isoliert; gedämmt	The new roof on the house is well insulated against heat and cold.	
ground-source heat pump	Erdwärmepumpe	= geothermal heat pump	
ecological footprint	ökologischer Fußabdruck	The ecological footprint serves as measurement for our consumption of resources and energy.	
glazing	Verglasung	= the glass in windows and walls	
building material	Baumaterial	They found all the building material for their new garden shed at the hardware store.	
heating	Heizung	heating → to heat	
carbon neutral	CO ₂ neutral	Our goal is to be a carbon neutral business by 2025.	

Skills workshop 1 - Stating your opinion in writing

Englisch	Deutsch	Beispiele / Erklärungen	Eigene Beispiele oder Übersetzung in die Muttersprache
to state	darlegen; darstellen	to state → statement	
variety (of)	Vielzahl (an); Vielfalt (von)	I like the variety of dishes that the restaurant offers.	
letter to the editor	Leserbrief	= letter to a newspaper in which a reader expresses her/his opinion on sth that was written in the newspaper	
varying degrees of sth	unterschiedliches Ausmaß von etw; unterschiedliche Ausprägung von etw	= if a certain quality is more or less strong	
artificial intelligence (AI)	künstliche Intelligenz (KI)	Artificial intelligence is going to change the way we work and live.	
to simulate	vortäuschen; nachahmen; simulieren	to simulate = to imitate	
moderate	gemäßigt	= in the middle between two extreme qualities (e.g., not very strong or very weak)	
intensity	Stärke; Intensität	intensity → intense	
to schedule an appointment	einen Termin vereinbaren	My hair isn't looking so good any more – I need to schedule an appointment with my hairdresser.	
otherwise	sonst	Hurry up, otherwise we'll be late.	
to tend to	neigen zu; tendieren zu	to tend to → tendency	
context	Kontext; Zusammenhang	It depends on the context if this is good or bad.	
to doubt	bezweifeln	= if you are not sure whether sth is true or not <i>Das "b" in doubt wird nicht ausgesprochen.</i>	
to interact	interagieren; zusammenspielen	= to talk together, do things together, react to each other	
entirely	ganz	entirely = completely	

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unemployment	Arbeitslosigkeit	The government is trying to reduce unemployment by creating new jobs.	
convinced	überzeugt	= very sure of sth	
to retain	behalten	to retain = to keep	
data (pl)	Daten	We've checked again and the new data are up to date.	
to secure	sichern	to secure → security	
formal	formal; formell; förmlich	"Thank you" sounds more formal than "thanks".	

Skills workshop 2 - Written communication

Englisch	Deutsch	Beispiele / Erklärungen	Eigene Beispiele oder Übersetzung in die Muttersprache
medium, media (pl)	Medium, Medien	Television, radio and newspapers are sometimes called the media.	
confidential	vertraulich; geheim	confidential ↔ public	
letterhead	Briefkopf	= the name and address that are written at the top of a letter	
in response to	als Antwort auf; in Erwiderung zu	response → to respond	
salutation	Anrede; Begrüßung	"Dear John" is an example of a salutation.	
complimentary close	Grußformel; Briefabschluss	"Yours sincerely" is an example of a complimentary close.	
recipient	Empfänger	recipient → to receive	
quote	Angebot	We need to get a quote from the electrician to see how much it will cost.	
adjustments (pl)	Anpassungen	adjustment = modification	

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to estimate	schätzen	Can you estimate how long it will take?	
tariff	Tarif; Gebührensatz	= a list of fixed prices	
to invest	investieren	= to put time, effort or money into a project	
supplier	Lieferant/-in; Zulieferer/-in	supplier → to supply	
attachment	Anhang	= a file that you attach to an email	
nor	auch nicht	Vegans don't eat meat nor cheese.	

Text workshop A - Migration and work

Englisch	Deutsch	Beispiele / Erklärungen	Eigene Beispiele oder Übersetzung in die Muttersprache
migration	Migration	migration → migrant → to migrate	
to print	drucken	to print → printer	
to target	zielen auf; anpeilen	to target = to aim at	
inevitable	unvermeidlich	inevitable ↔ preventable	
prosperity	Wohlstand	prosperity → prosperous	
to unite	vereinen; vereinigen	to unite → unity	
productivity	Produktivität	productivity → to produce	
to intensify	intensivieren; verstärken	When you intensify what you're doing, then you put more work into it.	
refugee flow	Flüchtlingsstrom	= a stream of people seeking refuge	
to liberalise	liberalisieren; freigeben	= to make sth less strict	
financial crisis	Wirtschaftskrise	A lot of people lost their jobs because of the global financial crisis.	

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circumstance	Umstand	circumstance = condition	
populist	Populist/-in	populist → populist	
to boost	steigern	to boost = to increase	
lunatic	Verrückte/-r	= a person who behaves in a foolish manner	
mainstream	herkömmlich; Massen-	Ben listens to mainstream pop music.	
to favour	bevorzugen	to favour ↔ to hinder	
alien	ausländisch; fremd	<i>Here</i> = foreign	
to argue	argumentieren	to argue → argument	
public perception	öffentliche Wahrnehmung	The climate crisis has become a global issue in public perception.	
consent	Zustimmung	consent = permission	
to facilitate	erleichtern; ermöglichen	= to make sth easier; to make sth possible	

Text workshop B - Gender and diversity

Englisch	Deutsch	Beispiele / Erklärungen	Eigene Beispiele oder Übersetzung in die Muttersprache
gender	Geschlecht (sozial)	The gender of a girl is female.	
diversity	Unterschiedlichkeit; Vielfalt	diversity → diverse → diverseness	
inequality	Ungleichheit; Unterschied	inequality ↔ equality	
equation	Gleichgewicht	equation ↔ difference	
to tackle	angehen	= to fight against (a problem)	
appearance	Erscheinung	appearance → to appear	

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to utilise	nutzen	= to use for a particular purpose	
to be disturbed (about sth)	(über etw) beunruhigt sein	disturbed → disturbance → to disturb	
to transform	umwandeln; verwandeln	to transform ↔ to stay the same	
to achieve	erreichen; leisten	to achieve → achievement	
gender justice	Geschlechtergerechtigkeit	= equal conditions and rights for all genders	
to make a contribution	einen Beitrag leisten	to make a contribution → to contribute	
dominant	dominant; dominierend	dominant ↔ subordinate	
to fail (at)	versagen (in/bei); fehlschlagen	to fail = to be unsuccessful	
to engage	verpflichten	to engage → engagement	
to mobilise	mobilisieren	The team had mobilised all their fans for support.	
domestic labour	Hausarbeit	= household chores	
to advocate	befürworten; verteidigen; eintreten für	to advocate = to support	
transgender	transgender; transsexuell	LGBT: lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people	
to transition (into)	in etw anderes übergehen; umwandeln	to transition → transformation → transit	
to be perceived as	als etw wahrgenommen werden	The refugees were perceived as competitors on the labour market.	
apprehensive	besorgt; ängstlich	apprehensive ↔ confident	
inappropriate	unangemessen	inappropriate = unsuitable	
process	Verfahren; Prozess;	Making sourdough bread is a complicated	

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	Vorgang	process.	
surgery	Operation	He was happy when he could leave the hospital after surgery.	
compulsion	Zwang	compulsion → compulsory	
ignorance	Ahnungslosigkeit; Unwissenheit	ignorance → to ignore	

Text workshop C – The blue planet

Englisch	Deutsch	Beispiele / Erklärungen	Eigene Beispiele oder Übersetzung in die Muttersprache
plastic waste	Plastikmüll	Every piece of plastic waste that is recycled will not end up polluting the oceans.	
sealed	dicht; geschlossen	sealed = packed	
disposable	Wegwerf-	Disposable packaging produces tons of waste.	
habit	Gewohnheit	People have good habits and bad habits.	
garbage patch	Müllhalde; <i>hier</i> : Müllstrudel	= an accumulation of waste	
debris	Trümmer	= pieces of rubbish and waste	
disgusting	ekelhaft; widerlich	disgusting = appalling	
unique	einzigartig	= the only one of its kind	
surface	Oberfläche	How much of the earth's surface is covered by the Atlantic Ocean?	
to log	erfassen; aufzeichnen	to log = to record	
to be equivalent to	etw entsprechen	1 mile is equivalent to 1,760 yards or 5,280 feet or 63,360 inches	
rather	eher; ziemlich	rather = fairly, quite	

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particles	Partikel; Teilchen	After the fire the air was full of smoke and ash particles.	
to capture	einfangen; sammeln	to capture = to gain control of, to collect, to catch	
microplastics (<i>pl</i>)	Mikroplastik(teilchen)	Microplastics are used in cosmetic products.	
quantity	Menge	Prices may vary according to the available quantity of products.	
to raise awareness	das Bewusstsein schärfen; sensibilisieren für	to raise awareness → to make aware	
to litter	verschmutzen; verunreinigen; Müll herumliegen lassen	Don't litter the playground. Take your rubbish home with you.	
marine	See-; Meeres-	Due to pollution marine wildlife is in danger.	
to destroy	zerstören	to destroy → destruction	
World Heritage Site	Welterbestätte; Weltkulturerbe	= a site listed by the UNESCO World Heritage Centre	
clean-up	Säuberung; Reinigung	clean-up → to clean → cleaner	
to accumulate	(an)sammeln	to accumulate = to build up	

Text workshop D - How to live ecologically

Englisch	Deutsch	Beispiele / Erklärungen	Eigene Beispiele oder Übersetzung in die Muttersprache
diet	Ernährung	A healthy and well balanced diet can improve your fitness.	
participant	Teilnehmer/-in	participant → to participate	
previous	früher; vorherig	the previous night = the night before	
to exceed	übertreffen	= to be higher than sth/sb	

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combined	zusammen(genommen)	combined → combination	
plant-based	pflanzenbasiert	The restaurant offers meat and plant-based burgers.	
dairy product	Milchprodukt	= a product made from cow's milk	
ethical	ethisch; moralisch	ethical → ethics	
all-time high	Rekordhöhe	The price for petrol is at an all-time high because of the crisis in the Middle East.	
organic	biologisch; Bio-	Tom prefers organic food to conventional food.	
to launch	starten; ins Leben rufen	to launch = to introduce	
to display	auslegen; zeigen	to display ↔ to hide	
to stock	führen; vorrätig haben	We stock all the latest styles.	
ingredient	Zutat	We only use organic ingredients in our food.	

Topic Task

Englisch	Deutsch	Beispiele / Erklärungen	Eigene Beispiele oder Übersetzung in die Muttersprache
to reuse	wiederverwenden	= to use again, sometimes with slight changes or in a different way	
effectively	effektiv; wirksam	effectively ↔ insufficiently	
findings (<i>pl</i>)	Ergebnisse; Feststellungen	findings = results, outcome	