

Vocabulaire 1-23

Groupe 1

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Classe	Sens	Exemple en contexte
imposing	<i>adj.</i>	grand and impressive in size · imposant	<i>Drago cut an imposing figure.</i>
ferocious	<i>adj.</i>	savagely fierce and violent · féroce	<i>He fought back with ferocious energy.</i>
savage	<i>adj.</i>	brutally fierce; untamed · sauvage, brutal	<i>A savage exchange opened the round.</i>
crushing	<i>adj.</i>	overwhelmingly powerful · écrasant	<i>Drago landed a crushing blow.</i>
fearsome	<i>adj.</i>	frightening; intimidating · redoutable, terrifiant	<i>A fearsome reputation preceded him.</i>
daunting	<i>adj.</i>	seeming difficult and discouraging · intimidant, décourageant	<i>The task ahead was daunting.</i>
icy	<i>adj.</i>	extremely cold; emotionless · glacial	<i>An icy wind cut across the camp.</i>
harsh	<i>adj.</i>	rough, severe and unpleasant · rude, rigoureux	<i>The harsh Russian winter tested him.</i>
bitter	<i>adj.</i>	piercingly cold; resentful · glacial ; amer	<i>A bitter frost gripped the mountainside.</i>
raw	<i>adj.</i>	sore; unrefined and powerful · à vif ; brut	<i>He fought with raw, untrained power.</i>
roaring	<i>adj.</i>	making a loud, deep sound · rugissant, retentissant	<i>A roaring crowd shook the arena.</i>
dazzling	<i>adj.</i>	brilliantly bright · éblouissant	<i>Dazzling lights flooded the ring.</i>
fiercely	<i>adv.</i>	in an intensely aggressive way · farouchement, avec acharnement	<i>He defended his title fiercely.</i>
furiously	<i>adv.</i>	with great anger or energy · furieusement	<i>Rocky hammered away furiously.</i>
utterly	<i>adv.</i>	completely; absolutely · totalement, complètement	<i>He looked utterly exhausted.</i>

Expressions idiomatiques

Expression idiomatique	Sens
to hit like a ton of bricks	frapper comme un boulet de canon
cold as ice	froid comme la glace, glacial
to come out swinging	attaquer d'emblée

Mots à reconnaître

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cold	<i>n.</i>	low temperature; the chill · froid	<i>The cold gnawed at his bones.</i>
snow	<i>n.</i>	frozen white precipitation · neige	<i>He ran for miles through deep snow.</i>
ice	<i>n.</i>	frozen water · glace	<i>Ice clung to his beard and brows.</i>
crowd	<i>n.</i>	a large gathering of people · foule	<i>The crowd surged to its feet.</i>
lights	<i>n.</i>	bright lamps over the ring · projecteurs, lumières	<i>The lights blazed down on the canvas.</i>
noise	<i>n.</i>	loud confused sound · bruit, vacarme	<i>The noise was overwhelming.</i>
blow	<i>n.</i>	a hard hit · coup	<i>Each blow landed like a hammer.</i>
round	<i>n.</i>	a timed phase of a bout · reprise, round	<i>He survived the brutal seventh round.</i>
corner	<i>n.</i>	a fighter's resting station · coin (du ring)	<i>His corner patched him up fast.</i>
bell	<i>n.</i>	the signal that starts/ends a round · gong, cloche	<i>The bell saved him from a knockout.</i>
glove	<i>n.</i>	padded boxing hand-gear · gant	<i>Blood spotted his torn glove.</i>
canvas	<i>n.</i>	the floor of a boxing ring · tapis du ring	<i>He crashed hard to the canvas.</i>
arena	<i>n.</i>	a large venue for contests · arène, salle	<i>The vast arena fell silent.</i>
roar	<i>n.</i>	a loud, deep cry of a crowd · rugissement, clameur	<i>A roar greeted his comeback.</i>
bruise	<i>n.</i>	a darkened mark left by a blow · bleu, ecchymose	<i>Bruises bloomed across his ribs.</i>

Groupe 2

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Classe	Sens	Exemple en contexte
thunderous	<i>adj.</i>	extremely loud · tonitruant, retentissant	<i>Thunderous applause met his entrance.</i>
pounding	<i>adj.</i>	beating heavily and repeatedly · martelant, battant	<i>His pounding fists found their mark.</i>
searing	<i>adj.</i>	intensely hot or painful · brûlant, cuisant	<i>A searing pain shot up his arm.</i>
staggering	<i>adj.</i>	astonishing; shocking · stupéfiant	<i>He showed staggering endurance.</i>
hardy	<i>adj.</i>	tough and able to endure hardship · robuste, endurant	<i>Only the hardy survived such training.</i>
stocky	<i>adj.</i>	short, broad and sturdy · trapu, râblé	<i>A stocky, low-built brawler.</i>
frigid	<i>adj.</i>	intensely cold · glacial, glacé	<i>Frigid air filled the bare gym.</i>
frosty	<i>adj.</i>	feeling like frost; cold and unfriendly · givré, glacial	<i>A frosty silence hung between them.</i>
stark	<i>adj.</i>	severe, bare and plain · austère, cru, dépouillé	<i>The stark camp had no comforts.</i>
merciless	<i>adj.</i>	showing no mercy · impitoyable	<i>Drago was a merciless machine.</i>
ruthless	<i>adj.</i>	having no pity or compassion · impitoyable, sans pitié	<i>A ruthless assault wore him down.</i>
blazing	<i>adj.</i>	burning fiercely; very bright · flamboyant, ardent	<i>Blazing arena lights blinded him.</i>
savagely	<i>adv.</i>	in a fierce, brutal way · sauvagement	<i>He was savagely battered in round two.</i>
brutally	<i>adv.</i>	in a savagely violent way · brutalement	<i>Drago hit brutally and without warning.</i>
doggedly	<i>adv.</i>	with stubborn determination · avec acharnement	<i>He climbed doggedly through the snow.</i>

Expressions idiomatiques

Expression idiomatique	Sens
to be in the thick of it	être au cœur de l'action
to fight tooth and nail	se battre bec et ongles
a force to be reckoned with	une force avec laquelle il faut compter

Mots à reconnaître

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blizzard	<i>n.</i>	a severe snowstorm · blizzard, tempête de neige	<i>A blizzard howled around the cabin.</i>
frost	<i>n.</i>	a thin coating of ice crystals · gel, givre	<i>Frost whitened the wooden beams.</i>
wilderness	<i>n.</i>	wild, uncultivated land · étendue sauvage	<i>He trained alone in the wilderness.</i>
spectacle	<i>n.</i>	an impressive public display · spectacle	<i>The bout was a vast Cold-War spectacle.</i>
stadium	<i>n.</i>	a large sports arena · stade	<i>The packed stadium roared as one.</i>
anthem	<i>n.</i>	a solemn national song · hymne	<i>Two anthems hushed the crowd.</i>
montage	<i>n.</i>	a rapid sequence of images · montage	<i>The training montage tracked his rise.</i>
onslaught	<i>n.</i>	a fierce, sustained attack · assaut, déferlante	<i>He weathered a savage onslaught.</i>
barrage	<i>n.</i>	a rapid burst of blows · déluge, pluie de coups	<i>A barrage of punches drove him back.</i>
ferocity	<i>n.</i>	fierce, savage intensity · férocité	<i>He matched Drago's ferocity.</i>
savagery	<i>n.</i>	brutal violence · sauvagerie, brutalité	<i>The savagery of it stunned the crowd.</i>
intensity	<i>n.</i>	extreme force or focus (recycled) · intensité	<i>The intensity rose with every round.</i>
fury	<i>n.</i>	wild, uncontrolled anger · fureur, rage	<i>He fought with cold fury.</i>
menace	<i>n.</i>	a threatening quality · menace	<i>Drago radiated quiet menace.</i>
stance	<i>n.</i>	a fighter's posture and guard · garde, posture	<i>He dropped into a low fighting stance.</i>

Groupe 3

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blistering	<i>adj.</i>	extremely intense or fast; scathing · torride ; cinglant	<i>He set a blistering pace.</i>
jarring	<i>adj.</i>	shocking and discordant · discordant ; ébranlant	<i>A jarring impact rocked his skull.</i>
forbidding	<i>adj.</i>	grim and threatening · rébarbatif, sinistre	<i>A forbidding fortress of a gym.</i>
wintry	<i>adj.</i>	cold and bleak like winter · hivernal, glacial	<i>A wintry desolation stretched for miles.</i>
pitiless	<i>adj.</i>	feeling or showing no pity · impitoyable, sans merci	<i>The cold was as pitiless as his foe.</i>
cold-blooded	<i>adj.</i>	without emotion or mercy · de sang-froid, sans pitié	<i>A cold-blooded killer in the ring.</i>
clinical	<i>adj.</i>	coolly efficient and detached · clinique, froidement méthodique	<i>Drago's work was chillingly clinical.</i>
frenzied	<i>adj.</i>	wild and uncontrolled · frénétique, déchaîné	<i>A frenzied final assault began.</i>
gut-wrenching	<i>adj.</i>	causing intense distress · déchirant, poignant	<i>A gut-wrenching moment of doubt.</i>
harrowing	<i>adj.</i>	acutely distressing · éprouvant, déchirant	<i>The harrowing climb broke weaker men.</i>
breathtaking	<i>adj.</i>	astonishingly impressive · à couper le souffle	<i>A breathtaking display of will.</i>
muscle-bound	<i>adj.</i>	having stiff, overdeveloped muscles · raide de muscles, bodybuildé	<i>The muscle-bound giant looked slow.</i>
mercilessly	<i>adv.</i>	without any mercy · sans pitié, impitoyablement	<i>He was pounded mercilessly.</i>
grimly	<i>adv.</i>	in a stern, determined way · d'un air sombre, résolument	<i>He pressed on grimly.</i>
icily	<i>adv.</i>	in a coldly hostile way · glacialement	<i>Drago stared back icily.</i>

Expressions idiomatiques

Expression idiomatique	Sens
to pull no punches	ne pas mâcher ses coups
to take it on the chin	encaisser sans broncher
to be hard as nails	être dur à cuire

Mots à reconnaître

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tundra	<i>n.</i>	a vast, frozen treeless plain · toundra	<i>Endless tundra stretched to the horizon.</i>
permafrost	<i>n.</i>	permanently frozen ground · pergélisol	<i>Frozen permafrost cracked underfoot.</i>
austerity	<i>n.</i>	stern, bare simplicity · austérité, rigueur	<i>His camp was a study in austerity.</i>
brutality	<i>n.</i>	savage cruelty · brutalité	<i>The fight's brutality appalled some.</i>
implacability	<i>n.</i>	relentless, unappeasable force · intransigence, inflexibilité	<i>Drago fought with cold implacability.</i>
juggernaut	<i>n.</i>	an unstoppable crushing force · rouleau compresseur	<i>The Soviet juggernaut bore down on him.</i>
behemoth	<i>n.</i>	an enormous, powerful being · mastodonte, monstre	<i>A behemoth in human form.</i>
colossus	<i>n.</i>	a person of immense size or power · colosse	<i>The colossus loomed over Rocky.</i>
titan	<i>n.</i>	a person of great strength · titan	<i>Two titans met at centre ring.</i>
gladiator	<i>n.</i>	a fighter staged for spectacle · gladiateur	<i>Modern gladiators traded blows.</i>
adrenaline	<i>n.</i>	a hormone driving fight responses · adrénaline	<i>Adrenaline dulled the searing pain.</i>
crescendo	<i>n.</i>	a rise to a peak of intensity · crescendo, apogée	<i>The noise swelled to a crescendo.</i>
pandemonium	<i>n.</i>	wild uproar and chaos · chaos, tohu-bohu	<i>Pandemonium erupted at the bell.</i>
bedlam	<i>n.</i>	scenes of uproar and confusion · chahut, pagaille	<i>The arena dissolved into bedlam.</i>
valour	<i>n.</i>	great courage (recycled) · bravoure, vaillance	<i>He fought on with quiet valour.</i>