

Vocabulaire 2-18

Groupe 1

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Sens	Équivalent	Exemple
to favour (v)	to treat with special preference	favoriser, avantager	<i>Society favours those who speak well.</i>
to praise (v)	to express strong approval of	féliciter, faire l'éloge de	<i>They praise her elegant new accent.</i>
to blame (v)	to say someone is responsible for something bad	blâmer, reprocher à	<i>If it fails, Higgins will blame Eliza.</i>
custom (n)	a usual or traditional way of behaving	coutume, usage	<i>By the custom of the day, the poor knew their place.</i>
outcome (n)	the result of something	résultat, issue	<i>The whole outcome rests on one evening.</i>
to matter (v)	to be important	importer, compter	<i>Here, how you speak is all that matters.</i>
unless (conj)	except if	à moins que, sauf si	<i>Unless she fools them, the bet is lost.</i>
to fit in (v)	to belong comfortably in a group	s'intégrer, s'adapter	<i>If she dresses well, she will fit in.</i>
to succeed (v)	to achieve what you wanted	réussir	<i>If she keeps calm, she will succeed.</i>
to mock (v)	to laugh at someone unkindly	se moquer de, railler	<i>The snobs mock anyone who speaks roughly.</i>
to deserve (v)	to be worthy of something	mériter	<i>If she works hard, she deserves to win.</i>
to win over (v)	to gain someone's support or liking	convaincre, gagner (qqn)	<i>A kind word can win over the coldest guest.</i>
to fool (v)	to trick or deceive	duper, tromper, bernier	<i>If she speaks like a lady, she can fool them all.</i>
to pass (v)	to be accepted as something one is not	passer (pour), être pris(e) pour	<i>If her accent holds, she will pass as a duchess.</i>
shame (n)	a painful feeling of having lost respect	honte	<i>One slip would bring her terrible shame.</i>

Expressions

Expression	Sens	Exemple
to make a good impression	to cause people to think well of you — faire bonne impression	<i>Eliza tries to make a good impression.</i>
what goes around comes around	your actions eventually return to you — on récolte ce que l'on sème	<i>Be kind — what goes around comes around.</i>
to turn heads	to attract attention and admiration — faire tourner les têtes, attirer les regards	<i>In her gown, Eliza turns heads.</i>

Mots à reconnaître

Mot	Sens
reason (n)	raison, cause
effect (n)	effet
change (n)	changement
to react (v)	réagir
to judge (v)	juger
to accept (v)	accepter
to reject (v)	rejeter
to impress (v)	impressionner
to approve (v)	approuver
respect (n)	respect
success (n)	réussite
failure (n)	échec
consequence (n)	conséquence
convention (n)	convention, usage
reputation (n)	réputation

Groupe 2

Mots à apprendre

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fallout (n)	the bad results of an event or action	retombées, conséquences	<i>The fallout of one rude word can last for years.</i>
to trigger (v)	to cause something to start	déclencher, provoquer	<i>A dropped 'h' can trigger instant scorn.</i>
to shape (v)	to influence or determine the form of	façonner, modeler, déterminer	<i>Birth and accent shape a person's whole life here.</i>
norm (n)	an accepted standard of behaviour	norme, règle (sociale)	<i>If you break a social norm, tongues will wag.</i>
to spark (v)	to set off or bring about	déclencher, susciter	<i>Her wit sparks delight among the guests.</i>
to regard (v)	to consider in a particular way	considérer, tenir pour	<i>If she plays the part, they will regard her as noble.</i>
to stem from (v)	to be caused by; to originate in	provenir de, découler de	<i>His pride stems from a privileged past.</i>
makeover (n)	a complete change of appearance	transformation, relooking	<i>Eliza's makeover astonishes everyone.</i>
stigma (n)	a mark of social shame or disgrace	stigmat, honte (sociale)	<i>If her past is known, the stigma will cling to her.</i>
to enable (v)	to make something possible	permettre, rendre possible	<i>Fine clothes enable her to play the role.</i>
bound to (adj)	certain or very likely to	destiné à, voué à, sûr de	<i>Without practice, she is bound to slip.</i>
to backfire (v)	to have the opposite effect to the one intended	se retourner contre, échouer	<i>If Higgins boasts, the whole plan may backfire.</i>
to hinge on (v)	to depend entirely on	dépendre de, reposer sur	<i>Everything hinges on a single evening.</i>
judgmental (adj)	too quick to criticise others	prompt à juger, plein de préjugés	<i>High society is quick and judgmental.</i>
fluke (n)	a lucky, accidental success	coup de chance, hasard	<i>Her success is no fluke but the fruit of hard work.</i>

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a knock-on effect	a result that causes further results — un effet domino, en cascade	<i>Her triumph had a knock-on effect on her confidence.</i>
to reap what you sow	to experience the results of your own actions — récolter ce que l'on a semé	<i>Higgins reaps what he sows.</i>
to set the tone	to establish the mood or standard — donner le ton	<i>Her grand entrance sets the tone.</i>

Mots à reconnaître

Mot	Sens
cause (n)	cause
result (n)	résultat
impact (n)	impact, incidence
influence (n)	influence
factor (n)	facteur
reaction (n)	réaction
response (n)	réponse, réaction
ramification (n)	ramification, conséquence
byproduct (n)	sous-produit, effet secondaire
prerequisite (n)	condition préalable
catalyst (n)	catalyseur
repercussion (n)	répercussion
aftermath (n)	conséquences, suites
condition (n)	condition
correlation (n)	corrélation

Groupe 3

Mots à apprendre

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to beget (v)	to cause or give rise to	engendrer, provoquer	<i>Cruel words beget only resentment.</i>
wake (n)	the period or situation following an event	sillage, suite (in the wake of)	<i>In the wake of the ball, her life changes forever.</i>
predicated on (adj)	based or depending on	fondé sur, conditionné par	<i>The bet is predicated on her perfect accent.</i>
to shun (v)	to deliberately avoid or reject	fuir, éviter, rejeter	<i>If she fails, society will shun her.</i>
yardstick (n)	a standard used for comparison	étalon, critère, mesure	<i>Accent is the cruel yardstick of class.</i>
to remould (v)	to shape or form again	remodeler, refaçonner	<i>Higgins sets out to remould her completely.</i>
odium (n)	widespread hatred or disgust	réprobation, opprobre	<i>She fears the odium of being exposed.</i>
to kindle (v)	to arouse or inspire (a feeling)	allumer, susciter, éveiller	<i>His faith kindles new courage in her.</i>
preordained (adj)	decided or destined in advance	prédestiné, écrit d'avance	<i>In their eyes, one's class is preordained.</i>
betterment (n)	improvement of one's condition	amélioration (de sa condition)	<i>She longs for the betterment of her station.</i>
obloquy (n)	strong public criticism or abuse	opprobre, calomnie	<i>Failure would bring public obloquy.</i>
linchpin (n)	the most essential part of something	cheville ouvrière, pièce maîtresse	<i>Her speech is the linchpin of the whole deception.</i>
to recast (v)	to present or form in a new way	refondre, remodeler, présenter autrement	<i>He will recast a flower-girl as a lady.</i>
knock-on (adj)	causing a chain of further effects	en cascade, par ricochet	<i>One success has a knock-on benefit for the next.</i>
to blacklist (v)	to put on a list of those to be excluded	mettre sur liste noire, proscrire	<i>Society can blacklist anyone it deems unworthy.</i>

Expressions

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the die is cast	a final, irreversible decision has been made — les dés sont jetés	<i>She steps into the ballroom: the die is cast.</i>
for better or for worse	whatever the consequences may be — pour le meilleur et pour le pire	<i>For better or for worse, the experiment begins.</i>
to open the floodgates	to release a sudden, unstoppable flow — ouvrir les vannes	<i>Her success opens the floodgates to new invitations.</i>

Mots à reconnaître

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causation (n)	causalité
causality (n)	causalité
determinism (n)	déterminisme
conditionality (n)	conditionnalité
inducement (n)	incitation, motivation
instigation (n)	instigation
provocation (n)	provocation
reverberation (n)	répercussion, retentissement
corollary (n)	corollaire
transmutation (n)	transmutation
metamorphosis (n)	métamorphose
antecedent (n)	antécédent
predication (n)	fondement, prédication
outgrowth (n)	conséquence, prolongement
concatenation (n)	enchaînement, série