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Music					
album	noun	'ælbəm		a collection of several songs or pieces of music recorded as an MP3 file, on a CD etc.	The band will release their third album in May.
audience	noun	'ɔ:diəns	'ɔ:diəns	a group of people who have come to a place to see or hear a movie, performance, speech etc.	She would be addressing an audience of 3,000 teachers.
catchy	adjective	'kætʃi		a tune or phrase which attracts your attention and is easy to remember	I like this song because it's very catchy .
cover song	noun	'kʌvə sɒŋ	'kʌvər sɒŋ	a new performance or recording by someone other than the original artist or composer	The band played a few cover songs .
drummer	noun	'drʌmə(r)	'drʌmə	someone who plays the drums in a band	The drummer was very talented.
drums	noun	drʌmz		a musical instrument consisting of a tight skin stretched over a round frame that you hit with your hands or a stick	He wanted to learn to play the drums .
gig	noun	ɡɪɡ		a public performance, especially of jazz or popular music	Live gigs are the most enjoyable part of my work.
guitar	noun	ɡɪ'ta:(r)	ɡɪ'tɑr	a musical instrument with six strings, used in a wide variety of musical styles. It can be acoustic or electric	Hank is on guitar , with Nelson on drums.
guitarist	noun	ɡɪ'ta:ɪst	ɡɪ'tɑɪst	a person who plays a guitar	She is the guitarist in the band.
keyboard	noun	'ki:zbɔ:(r)d	kɪ,bɔrd	the part of a musical instrument such as a piano that has keys that you touch to make notes	She was saving up to buy a new keyboard .
light show	noun	laɪt ʃəʊ	laɪt ʃoʊ	a spectacle of colored lights that move and change	The light show was very impressive.
live	adjective	laɪv		a television or radio program which can be watched or listened to at the same time as it happens	A popular live TV comedy series is <i>The Late Show</i> .
lyrics	noun	'lɪrɪks		the words of a song	The lyrics were very touching.
microphone	noun	'maɪkrə,fəʊn	'maɪkrə,foun	a piece of equipment for making someone's voice louder when they are speaking, performing, or recording something	Unfortunately the microphone wasn't loud enough so we couldn't hear.
on tour	phrase	ɒn tuə(r)	ən tʊr	traveling to a place to play	They have been on tour in Europe.
singer	noun	'sɪŋə(r)	'sɪŋər	someone who sings well or as a job	She is a singer in a band.
stage	noun	steɪdʒ		the part of a theater where the actors or musicians perform	They had been on stage for over four hours.

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Types of art					
abstract art	noun	'æbstrækt ɑ:(r)t	'æb,strækt ɑrt	a trend in painting and sculpture which seeks to break away from the traditional representation of objects	She is interested in abstract art .
exhibit	noun	ɪg'zɪbrɪt	ɪg'zɪbrɪt	a public show where art or other interesting things are put and people can go to look at them	There is an exhibit of paintings by Henri Matisse.
gallery	noun	'gæləri	'gæl(ə)ri	a public building where you can look at paintings and other works of art	They looked around the National Portrait Gallery .
landscape	noun	læn(d),skeɪp	'lænd,skeɪp	a painting of an area of land	We saw an exhibit of Paul Gunn's most recent landscapes .
photograph	noun	'fəʊtə,grɑ:f	'foʊtə,græf	a picture of something that you make with a camera	Do you have a photograph of your children?
portrait	noun	'pɔ:(r)trɪt	'pɔrtreɪt	a painting, drawing or photograph of someone, especially of their face	She drew a portrait of him.
sculpture	noun	'skʌlptʃə(r)	'skʌlptʃər	a solid object that someone makes as a work of art by shaping a substance such as stone, metal, or wood	Works to be shown include sculptures by Houdon and Carpeaux.
still life	noun	stɪl laɪf		a type of art that represents objects rather than people, animals, or the countryside	The still life of the fruit bowl is excellent.
Movie and book genres					
action	noun	'ækʃ(ə)n		typically include violence, extended fighting, physical feats, and frantic chases	John wanted to see an action movie.
adventure	noun	əd'ventʃə(r)	əd'ventʃər	typically uses action scenes to display and explore exotic locations	Adventure movies were her favorite.
animated	noun	'æni,meɪtɪd	'æni,meɪtəd	a series of drawings that are shown quickly one after another so that they look as if they are moving	The children enjoyed the animated movie.
autobiography	noun	ˌɔ:təʊbaɪ'ɒgrəfi	ˌɔtoʊbaɪ'ɑgrəfi	a book about your life that you write yourself	It was an interesting autobiography of his life as a politician.
biography	noun	baɪ'ɒgrəfi		a book that someone writes about someone else's life	The biography of his life was very accurate.
biopic	noun	'baɪəʊ,pɪk	'baɪəʊ,pɪk	a movie based on the events of someone's life	Have you seen the Jesse James biopic ?
comedy	noun	'kɒmədi	'kəmədi	a funny movie, play or television show	It's a fast-moving comedy about the antics of a group of roommates.
costume drama	noun	'kɒstju:m 'drɑ:mə	'kɑs,tʊm 'drəmə	a play or movie about a particular historical period in which the actors wear clothes typical of that period	I love to watch costume dramas .

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fairy tale	noun	'feəri teɪl	'feri teɪl	a traditional children's story in which magical things happen	My daughter likes movies and books about fairy tales .
fantasy	noun	'fæntəsi		a story that shows a lot of imagination and is very different from real life	The fantasy movie was very original.
historical	adjective	hɪ'stɒrɪk(ə)l	hɪ'stɒrɪk(ə)l	a historical novel or movie is based on people or events that existed in the past	Watching historical movies is an easy way to learn about the past.
horror	noun	'hɒrə(r)	'hɒrər	books and movies that are intended to frighten people	I hate horror movies because I don't like feeling scared.
musical	noun	'mju:zɪk(ə)l	'mjuzɪk(ə)l	a play or movie in which there are a lot of songs	They saw the classic musical <i>The Sound of Music</i> .
romantic comedy (rom-com)	noun	rəʊ,mæntɪk 'kɒmədi	roʊ,mæntɪk 'kɑmədi	a movie or TV show that deals with love in a light-hearted way	Danielle wanted to watch a rom-com .
science fiction (sci-fi)	noun	'saɪəns 'fɪkʃ(ə)n		books and movies about imaginary future events and characters, often dealing with space travel and life on other planets	Frank would rather watch a sci-fi movie than a rom-com.
thriller	noun	'θrɪlə(r)	'θrɪlər	a book, play, or movie that tells an exciting story, especially about something dangerous like a crime	The lead actor in the thriller was excellent.
western	noun	'westə(r)n	'westərən	a movie about the western United States in the 1800s, usually with cowboys	My Dad likes western movie but I think they are boring.
Adjectives for describing movies and books					
amazed	adjective	ə'meɪzd		very surprised	We were absolutely amazed at the response to our appeal.
amazing	adjective	ə'meɪzɪŋ		very surprising	Her story was quite amazing .
bored	adjective	bɔ:(r)d	bɔrd	feeling impatient or dissatisfied, because you are not interested in something or because you have nothing to do	The children were bored during the class.
boring	adjective	'bɔ:ɪŋ	'bɔɪŋ	not at all interesting, and something that makes you feel impatient or dissatisfied	It's a boring badly paid job.
disappointed	adjective	,dɪsə'pɔɪntɪd		unhappy because something that you hoped for or expected did not happen or because someone or something was not as good as you expected	She was disappointed that he never replied to her letter.
disappointing	adjective	,dɪsə'pɔɪntɪŋ		not as good as you had hoped for or expected	This year's sales figures were very disappointing .
engaged	adjective	ɪn'geɪdʒd		involved in doing something	Her team knew they were engaged in work of great importance.

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engaging	adjective	ɪnˈɡeɪdʒɪŋ		occupies the attention of someone	His speech was very engaging .
exciting	adjective	ɪkˈsaɪtɪŋ		making you feel happy and enthusiastic because something good is going to happen	The launch of our digital satellite service is one of the most exciting things I've worked on.
gripped	adjective	ɡrɪpt		very interested and excited	The case has gripped the public because of the celebrities involved.
gripping	adjective	ˈɡrɪpɪŋ		very interesting and exciting	The documentary was gripping .
interesting	adjective	ˈɪntrəstɪŋ		something that makes you want to know more about it	She's an interesting new writer.
memorable	adjective	ˈmem(ə)rəb(ə)l		worth remembering or easy to remember, because of being special in some way	The romantic evening cruise will be a memorable experience.
moved	adjective	muːvd	muvd	affected emotionally	You will be moved by the touching documentary.
moving	adjective	ˈmuːvɪŋ	ˈmuvɪŋ	making you feel emotional	His letter was deeply moving .