***These lists are intended to expand your vocabulary, offering you far more ambitious words to use in the place of everyday ones. The column on the left contains the more sophisticated word, whilst the one on the right is its more common synonym.***

Within your main English lessons, your teacher will do ‘mini’ testers to ensure you are ‘taking in’ these new words. These are almost like spelling tests, for example your teacher may say *‘He was stubborn in his decision to stay put’*. Leaving you to substitute *‘stubborn’* with *‘obstinate’*. Your learning of vocabulary includes a repeat cycle to engage longer term memory.

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| Week 1 | *Advanced Qualities 1-5* | Week 7 | ***Repeat*** *Advanced Qualities 1-5* |
| Week 2 | *Advanced Things 1-5* | Week 8 | ***Repeat*** *Advanced Qualities 6-10* |
| Week 3 | *Advanced Actions 1-5* | Week 9 | ***Repeat*** *Advanced Things 1-5* |
| Week 4 | *Advanced Qualities 6-10* | Week 10 | ***Repeat*** *Advanced Things 6-10* |
| Week 5 | *Advanced Things 6-10* | Week 11 | ***Repeat*** *Advanced Actions 1-5* |
| Week 6 | *Advanced Actions 6-10* | Week 12 | ***Repeat*** *Advanced Actions 6-10* |

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| **Advanced Actions (verbs)** | |
| 1. Languish | Droop/become dull |
| 2. Lament | Mourn |
| 3. Rebuff | Push away |
| 4. Circumvent | Avoid |
| 5. Eschew | Shun |
| 6. Succumb | Surrender |
| 7. Prostrate | Abase/grovel |
| 8. Teeter | Wobble |
| 9. Mitigate | Ease |
| 10. Exacerbate | Make worse |

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| **Advanced Qualities (adjectives)** | |
| 1. Obstinate | Stubborn |
| 2. Fanatical | Obsessive |
| 3. Sedate | Calm |
| 4. Fervent | Passionate |
| 5. Mediocre | Average |
| 6. Clandestine | Secret |
| 7. Subliminal | Subconscious |
| 8. Vociferous | Loud |
| 9. Banal | Commonplace/boring |
| 10. Cumbersome | Bulky |

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| **Advanced Things (nouns)** | |
| 1. Flamboyance | Showiness/splendour |
| 2. Incantation | Spell |
| 3. Zeitgeist | Spirit of the times |
| 4. Epoch | Era/time |
| 5. Bravado | Daring/Boasting |
| 6. Ebullience | Liveliness/enthusiasm |
| 7. Contingency | Provision for a possible event |
| 8. Bastion | Stronghold |
| 9. Charlatan | A fake |
| 10. Integrity | Honesty/of having strong morals |