

## Instant Words

### 1,000 Most Frequently Used Words

These are the most common words in English, ranked in frequency order. The first 25 make up about a third of all printed material. The first 100 make up about half of all written material, and the first 300 make up about 65 percent of all written material. Is it any wonder that all students must learn to recognize these words instantly and to spell them correctly also?

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#### FIRST HUNDRED

Words 1-25	Words 26-50	Words 51-75	Words 7 5-100
the	or	will	number
of	one	up	no
and	had	other	way
a	by	about	could
to	word	out	people
in	but	many	my
is	not	then	than
you	what	them	first
that	all	these	water
it	were	so	been
he	we	some	call
was	when	her	who
for	your	would	oil
on	can	make	its
are	said	like	now
as	there	him	find
with	use	into	long
his	an	time	down
they	each	has	day
I	which	look	did
at	she	two	get
be	do	more	come
this	how	write	made
have	their	go	may
from	if	see	part

## SECOND HUNDRED

### Words 101-125

over  
new  
sound  
take  
only  
little  
work  
know  
place  
year  
live  
me  
back  
give  
most  
very  
after  
thing  
our  
just  
name  
good  
sentence  
man  
think  
say

### Words 126-150

great  
where  
help  
through  
much  
before  
line  
right  
too  
mean  
old  
any  
same  
tell  
boy  
follow  
came  
want  
show  
also  
around  
form  
three  
small  
set  
put

### Words 151-175

end  
does  
another  
well  
large  
must  
big  
even  
such  
because  
turn  
here  
why  
ask  
went  
men  
read  
need  
land  
different  
home  
us  
move  
try  
kind  
hand

### Words 176-200

picture  
again  
change  
off  
play  
spell  
air  
away  
animal  
house  
point  
page  
letter  
mother  
answer  
found  
study  
still  
learn  
should  
America  
world

## THIRD HUNDRED

### Words 201-225

high  
every  
near  
add  
food  
between  
own  
below  
country  
plant  
last  
school  
father  
keep  
tree  
never  
start  
city  
earth  
eye  
light  
thought  
head  
under  
story

### Words 226-250

saw  
left  
don't  
few  
while  
along  
might  
close  
something  
seem  
next  
hard  
open  
example  
begin  
life  
always  
those  
both  
paper  
together  
got  
group  
often  
run

### Words 251-275

important  
until  
children  
side  
feet  
car  
mile  
night  
walk  
white  
sea  
began  
grow  
took  
river  
four  
carry  
state  
once  
book  
hear  
stop  
without  
second  
later

### Words 276-300

miss  
idea  
enough  
eat  
face  
watch  
far  
Indian  
really  
almost  
let  
above  
girl  
sometimes  
mountain  
cut  
young  
talk  
soon  
list  
song  
being  
leave  
family  
it's