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accounting (n) accounting consultancy (n)	/əˈkaʊntɪŋ/ /əˈkaʊntɪŋ kənˌsʌltənsɪ/	Buchführung, Buchhaltung Finanzberatung	Accounting consultancy Arthur Andersen, the company employed by Enron, was fined \$500 million.
accounting system (n)	/əˈkaʊntɪŋ ˌsɪstəm/	Buchführungssystem	Enron's accounting system had always been complex and obscure but no one suspected the company of dishonest practices.
creative accounting (n)	/kri:¡eɪtɪv əˈkauntɪŋ/	"kreative Buchführung"	'Creative accounting' is another way of saying that a firm has been 'cooking the books'.
<pre>boom (n) (opposite = slump, collapse)</pre>	/bu:m/	Boom, Aufschwung	
Internet/property/ oil boom (n)	/ˌɪntənet/ˌprɒpətɪ/ˌɔɪl 'buːm/	Internet-/ Immobilien-/ Ölboom	The Internet boom didn't last and on April 14 th 2001 more than one trillion dollars in market capitalisation was lost.
cash flow situation (n)	/ˈkæʃ fləʊ sɪtʃuːˌeɪʃən/	Cashflow-Situation	Creative accounting transformed the company's cash flow situation from a \$154 million outflow to a \$3 billion inflow.
company report (n)	/ˌkʌmpənɪ rɪˈpɔːt/	Geschäftsbericht	The latest company report shows a 16% increase in profits over the last 12 months.
cook the books	/kuk ðə 'buks/	die Bücher fälschen	Stock market investors were unaware that the company had been 'cooking the books', inventing partner companies that did not exist to hide huge debts.
corporation (n)	/ˌkɔ:pəˈreɪʃən/	Unternehmen, Aktien-, Kapitalgesellschaft	Before its collapse Enron was the USA's seventh-largest corporation.
debatable (adj) It's debatable whether	/dr'bertəbəl/ /rtrz dr'bertəbəl ,weðə/	strittig Es ist strittig, ob	It's debatable whether global warming is caused by heavy industry.
end-of-year accounts (n pl)	/endəvjiə əˈkaunts/	Jahresabschluss	End-of-year accounts show an unexpected drop in profits.

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failure (n) (opposite = success)	/feɪljə/	Fehlschlag, Misserfolg	
end in failure	/end in 'feiljə/	scheitern	According to a recent study by KPMG, 83% of company mergers end in failure.
free market economics (n pl)	/ˌfri: ˌmɑ:kət ˌekəˈnɒmɪks/	freie Marktwirtschaft	Do you agree that free market economics bring prosperity to developing countries?
<pre>growth (n) (opposite = decline)</pre>	/grəuθ/	Wachstum	
steady growth (n)	/ˌstedɪ ˈgrəυθ/	stetiges Wachstum	Wall Street trusted the company's steady growth without asking many questions about how it was achieved.
guru (n) management guru (n)	/ˈgʊruː/ /ˌmænɪdʒmənt ˈgʊruː/	Guru Management-Guru	All the management gurus pointed to Enron as the model modern company.
information (n) source of information	/ˌinfəˈmeɪʃən/ /ˌsɔ:s əv ˌinfəˈmeɪʃən/	Information Information squelle	Is the Internet always a reliable source of information?
market research (n)	/ma:kət 'ri:sə:tʃ/	Marktforschung	Market research is a useful way of finding out more about client preferences but it's not always 100% reliable.
<pre>net (adj) (opposite = gross)</pre>	/net/	netto	
net income/profit etc	/net 'inkam/'profit/	Nettoeinkommen/-gewinn	In 2000 Enron reported a net income of \$979 million.
opinion poll (n)	/əˈpɪnɪən ˌpəʊl/	Meinungsumfrage	According to the latest opinion polls , the government is more popular than ever before.
panic selling (n)	/ˌpænɪk ˈselɪŋ/	Panikverkäufe	One trillion dollars of market capitalisation was lost in six and a half hours of panic selling.
partner company (n)	/pa:tnə ˌkʌmpənɪ/	Partnerfirma	Accountants at Enron invented partner companies that did not exist in order to hide huge debts.

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press release (n) put out a press release	/pres rɪˌliːs/ /put ˌaut ə ˌpres rɪˈliːs/	Pressemitteilung eine Pressemitteilung herausgeben	People working in public relations often put out press releases that are little more than sales promotion.
public relations (n)	/pablik n'leisənz/	Öffentlichkeitsarbeit	People in public relations have a vested interest in promoting the company or organization they work for.
scandal (n)	/skændl/	Skandal	
financial scandal (n)	/fəˌnæn∫əl ˈskændl/	Finanzskandal	The company was damaged by a financial scandal in 2001.
scandalous (adj)	/skændələs/	skandalös	
It's scandalous that	/its 'skændələs ðət/	Es ist skandalös, dass	It's scandalous that the richest 30% of the planet gets 90% of its income.
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speculator (n)	/spekjəleɪtə/	Spekulant	Speculators loved Enron, especially when its share price reached a phenomenal \$90.
spin doctor (n)	/spin ,doktə/	PR-Berater	A spin doctor gives journalists information that makes people or organizations seem as good as possible.
staggering (adj)	/stægərɪŋ/	Schwindel erregend	
a staggering £1 million	/ə ˌstægərɪŋ ˌwɒn mɪljən ˈpaʊndz/	Schwindel erregende 1 Million Pfund	Arthur Andersen, the accounting consultancy employed by Enron, was fined a staggering \$500 million.
suppress (v)	/səˈpres/	vertuschen	
suppress debts	/səˌpres 'dets/	Schulden vertuschen	Enron suppressed their debts by inventing partner companies that did not actually exist.
tax (n)	/tæks/	Steuer	
tax loss (n)	/tæks ˌlɒs/	Steuerverlust	Some tax losses were claimed twice in order to increase tax savings.
tax savings (n pl)	/tæks ˌseɪvɪŋz/	Steuerersparnis	By using 'creative accounting' Enron managed to make \$2 billion in tax savings.
up-to-date (adj)	/ˌʌptəˈdeɪt/	aktuell	Nowadays the Internet allows us easy access to the most up-to-date information.
venture (n)	/vent∫ə/	Unternehmen	In addition to traditional businesses, Enron was also involved in several obscure e-commerce ventures .

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vested interest (n) have a vested interest in (doing)	/,vestəd 'mtrəst/ /hæv ə ˌvestəd 'mtrəst in (ˌduːɪŋ)/	persönliches Interesse ein persönliches Interesse daran haben zu	In business, many specialists have a vested interest in presenting companies in a favourable light.
wipe out (phr v)	/warp 'aut/	zunichte machen	Company profits have been wiped out by the recent slump in the economy.

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authorisation (n)	/ˌɔːθərarˈzeɪʃən/	Befugnis, Genehmigung	We're hoping that the Board of Directors will give us the authorisation we need to move on to the next stage.
bestselling (adj) bestselling product/service	/,best'seliŋ/ /bestˌseliŋ 'prɒdʌkt/'sɜːvəs/	meistgekauft meistgekauftes/-r Produkt / Service	We really do believe that the Micro-GYM could be a bestselling product .
blank sb's mind goes blank	/blæŋk/ /sʌmbədız ˌmaɪnd gəuz 'blæŋk/	leer einen Blackout haben	My mind just went blank and I had no idea what to say next.
brand (n) stretch a brand	/brænd/ /ˌstret∫ ə ˈbrænd/	Marke eine Marke erweitern	Adding cosmetics to our range is an ideal opportunity to stretch our brand.
break down (phr v)	/ˌbreɪk ˈdaʊn/	versagen, kaputtgehen	I'm always worried that the equipment will break down when I'm giving a presentation.
breakdown (n) breakdown of costs/figures etc	/breikdaun/ /,breikdaun əv 'kosts/figəz/	Aufschlüsselung Aufschlüsselung der Kosten / Zahlen etc	A complete breakdown of costs is included in the report.
business (n) business idea (n)	/biznəs/ /biznəs ai,diə/	Geschäft, Unternehmen Geschäftsidee	Try to come up with an innovative business idea that could be developed by your company.
line of business (n)	/senzid ve nial,/	Geschäftszweig, Branche	Is it important in your line of business to be able to present your ideas professionally?
cater for (phr v) cater for a demand/need	/keɪtə ˌfɔ:/ /ˌkeɪtə fər ə drˈmɑ:nd/ni:d/	sorgen für, versorgen eine Nachfrage / einen Bedarf bedienen	It's important that the product you suggest meets a need that is not catered for at present.
challenge (n) set a challenge	/t∫æləndʒ/ /ˌset ə 't∫æləndʒ/	Herausforderung vor eine Aufgabe stellen	One way of making your presentation more interesting is by setting your audience a challenge .

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collaborate (v)	/kəˈlæbəreɪt/	zusammenarbeiten	The two firms have collaborated to produce an exciting new range of sportswear.
come across (phr v)	/ˌkʌm əˈkrɒs/	wirken	The way in which you come across as a person is almost more important than the content of your presentation.
come up with (phr v)	/kam 'ap wið/	sich etwas ausdenken, etwas entwickeln	Try to come up with an innovative idea for a product or service.
complement (v)	/kompləment/	ergänzen	The new product or service should complement the products or services currently on offer.
corporate vision (n)	/ˌkɔːpərət ˈvɪʒən/	Corporate Vision, Teil des Unternehmensleitbilds	
share corporate vision	/ˌfeə ˌkɔ:pərət 'vɪʒən/	die Corporate Vision (mit dem Publikum) teilen	'We think you're going to be as excited about this product as we are' is a way of sharing corporate vision with your audience.
cost (v) be fully costed	/kɒst/ /bɪ ˌfʊlɪ ˈkɒstəd/	den Preis / die Kosten kalkulieren durchkalkuliert sein	The Micro-GYM has been fully costed – a breakdown is included in the report.
departure (n) be a (completely) new departure for	/dr'pa:tʃə/ /bi: ə ˌ(kəmpli:tl1) ,nju: dr'pa:tʃə fɔ:/	Ansatz, Start ein (völlig) neuer Ansatz für sein	Selling mobile phones in-store is a completely new departure for us.
develop (v) develop a design/ prototype	/dɪˈveləp/ /dɪˌveləp ə dɪˈzaɪn/ˈprəutətaɪp/	entwickeln ein Design / einen Prototyp entwickeln	How long did it take to develop the prototype?
dry up (phr v)	/ˌdraɪ ˈʌp/	ins Stocken geraten, den Faden verlieren	I'm always frightened I won't know what to say next and that I might dry up completely.
expectation (n) build up expectations	/ˌekspekˈteɪʃən/ /ˌbɪld ʌp ˌekspekˈteɪʃənz/	Erwartung Erwartungen aufbauen	Building up an audience's expectations of a product is the best way of keeping their interest.
finding (n) main findings (n pl)	/faındıŋ/ /ˌmeɪn ˈfaɪndɪŋz/	Ergebnis wichtigste Ergebnisse	The chart below highlights our main findings.

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focus group (n) set up a focus group	/fəukəs 'gru:p/ /'set ʌp ə ˈfəukəs 'gru:p/	Zielgruppe, Untersuchungsgruppe eine Untersuchungsgruppe festlegen	They set up several focus groups to find out what consumers wanted.
global economy (n)	/gləubəl ı'konəmı/	Weltwirtschaft	Do you think national stereotypes still hold true in an increasingly global economy?
go-ahead (n)	/gəvə,hed/	Startzeichen	
give sb the go-ahead	/ˌgɪv sʌmbədɪ ðə ˈgəʊəˌhed/	jdm grünes Licht geben	We need the Board of Directors to give us the go-ahead before we move on to the next stage.
go down (phr v)	/ˌgəʊ ˈdaʊn/	ankommen	
go down well	/ˌgəʊ daʊn ˈwel/	gut ankommen	Jokes go down well in some countries but not in others.
go dry	/gəu ˈdraɪ/	austrocknen	When we was the manual results to make the manual state.
sb's mouth goes dry	/sʌmbədɪz ˈmaυθ gəʊz ˌdraɪ/	jemands Mund wird trocken	When you're nervous your mouth tends to go dry .
go for (phr v)	/ˈgəʊ ˌfɔː/	gut finden, stehen auf	American audiences tend to go for jokes and clever remarks.
go funny	/gou 'fani/	verrückt spielen	My microphone went funny and I sounded like Darth Vader out of Star Wars!
go quiet	/ˌgəʊ ˈkwaɪət/	ruhig werden	I hate that moment just before you start speaking when the audience goes quiet .
go wrong	/,gəu 'roŋ/	hier: nicht funktionieren	The technology went wrong and ruined the whole presentation.
hands-on (adj)	/hændzon/	praktisch	'Intrapreneurs' are hands-on managers who make things happen.
highlight (v)	/haɪlaɪt/	hervorheben	Our findings are highlighted in the chart below.
incur (v)	/ɪnˈkɜː/	sich zuziehen, auf sich laden	
incur costs	/ɪnˌkɜː ˈkɒsts/	Kosten mit sich bringen	Selling the product online would incur extra costs initially.

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innovation (n)	/ˌinəˈveɪʃən/	Innovation, Neuerung	Innovation is essential to any good business.
itemise (v)	/aıtəmaız/	einzeln aufführen	Costs of manufacturing, packaging and advertising are all itemised.
major player (n)	/meidʒə 'pleiə/	Hauptakteur	Microsoft is a major player in the computer software industry.
marketing opportunity (n)	/ma:kətıŋ ɒpəˌtju:nətı,	/ Absatzmöglichkeit	122 million overweight people in the USA is a disgraceful statistic but it represents a wonderful marketing opportunity for us!
<pre>presentation (n) presentation style (n)</pre>	/ˌprezənˈteɪʃən/ /prezənˈteɪʃən ˌstaɪl/	Präsentation Präsentationsstil	Different countries are characterised by their different presentation styles .
price (v) be priced at \$100	/prais/ /bi praist ət/	einen Preis festsetzen \$100 kosten	The Micro-GYM would probably be priced at around \$35 .
<pre>product (n) product effort/ features/testing (n)</pre>	/prɒdʌkt/ /prɒdʌkt ˌefət/ˌfiːt∫əz/ˌtestɪŋ/	Produkt Produktkonzept /-eigenschaften /-tests	Product testing is still being carried out.
project budget (n)	/prodzekt badzət/	Projektbudget	40% of our project budget went into constructing the prototype.
prototype (n)	/prəutətaɪp/	Prototyp	A prototype is a model of something, made before it is produced in large quantities.
provider (n) a leading provider of	/prəˈvaɪdə/ /ə ˌliːdɪŋ prəˈvaɪdə əv/	Anbieter / ein führender Anbieter von	As one of the world's leading providers of fitness training equipment, we pride ourselves on quality and reliability.
quote (v) quote figures/statistics	/kwəut/ /ˌkwəut ˈfɪgəz/stəˈtɪstɪks/	anführen Zahlen / Statistiken anführen	You need to quote some statistics to make your presentation interesting but don't overdo it.

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run out of (phr v) run out of time/ money etc	/rʌn ˈaʊt əv/ /rʌn ˌaʊt əv ˈtaɪm/mʌnɪ/	nicht mehr haben keine Zeit / kein Geld mehr haben	If you have too much material to present, you may find yourself running out of time .
run over (phr v) run over schedule	/ran 'əʊvə/ /ran _' əʊvə 'skedju:l/	überziehen den Zeitplan überziehen	Audiences hate it when speakers run over schedule .
selling point (n)	/selin point/	Verkaufsargument	During the development phase of a product it's important to think about its main selling points.
sideline (n) a sideline to	/saɪdlaɪn/ /ə ˈsaɪdlaɪn ˌtuː/	<i>hier</i> : Ergänzung eine Ergänzung zu	The new range of products have been an enormously successful sideline to our main business.
structure (v) structure a talk/ presentation	/straktʃə/ /ˌstraktʃə ə 'tɔːk/ˌprezən'teɪʃən/	strukturieren eine Rede / eine Präsentation strukturieren	Writing the main points of your presentation on cards will help you to structure your talk .
switch off (phr v)	/ˌswitʃ 'ɒf/	abschalten	Your audience may switch off altogether if you don't make them laugh within the first five minutes.
techno (adj)	/teknəu/	mit Technik ausgestattet	Be too techno and your audience may think you're showing off.
untapped (adj) an untapped market	/ˌʌnˈtæpt/ /ən ˌʌntæpt ˈmɑːkət/	unerschlossen, ungenutzt ein unerschlossener Markt	There's obviously a largely untapped market for this type of workout system.
wrap up (phr v) to wrap things up	/ˌræp ˈʌp/ /tə ˌræp θɪŋz ˈʌp/	einpacken; unter Dach und Fach bringen Um zum Schluss zu kommen	OK, to wrap things up, I'd just like to add that the Micro-GYM has been fully costed and a breakdown is included in the report.

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background (n) hover in the background	/ˈbækgraund/ /ˌhɒvə ɪn ðə ˈbækgraund/	Hintergrund sich im Hintergrund halten	Hovering in the background waiting to be introduced is not an effective way of networking.
break the ice	/breik ði 'ais/	das Eis brechen	Cracking jokes is one way of breaking the ice when you meet new people.
business (n) business community (n) conduct business	/bɪznəs/ /bɪznəs kəˌmju:nətɪˌ /kənˌdʌkt ˈbɪznəs/	Geschäft, Unternehmen / Geschäftswelt Geschäfte abwickeln	Golf is becoming increasingly popular within the business community . Most executives seem as comfortable conducting business on the golf course as in
conduct business	rkenarkt ofzhesj	describing abwindent	the office.
come through (to) (phr v)	/kʌm ˈθruː (tə)/	durch-, weitergehen (zu)	Come through to my office, please.
<pre>firm (adj) (opposite = limp) firm handshake</pre>	/fɜːm/ /ˌfɜːm ˈhændʃeɪk/	fest fester Händedruck	A firm handshake shows that you are confident and in control.
			A firm nanusnake shows that you are confident and in control.
first impression (n) create/make a good/ poor etc first impression	/ˌfɜːst ɪmˈpreʃən/ /kriːˌeɪt ə ˌgʊd/ˌpɔː ˌfɜːst ɪmˈpreʃən/	erster Eindruck einen guten/schlechten ersten Eindruck hervorrufen/machen	Creating a positive first impression is very important at a job interview.
job market (n)	/tsk:pm, dasb/	Arbeitsmarkt	In a competitive job market it's essential to make a good first impression.
look sb in the eye	/ˌluk sʌmbədı ˌɪn ði: ˈaɪ/	jdm in die Augen schauen	When you meet people for the first time, you should look them in the eye and say hello.
mingle (v)	/mɪŋgəl/	sich unter die Leute mischen	'Mingling' is a word meaning talking to and socialising with people.

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networker (n) effective networker	/netws:kə/ /ɪˌfektɪv ˈnetws:kə/	jemand, der (Geschäfts)kontakte knüpft und nutzt jemand, der effektiv (Geschäfts)kontakte knüpft und nutzt	You need to be confident and outgoing to be an effective networker.
networking (n) networking skills	/netw3:kɪŋ/ /netw3:kɪŋ ˌskɪlz/	Networking Kontaktfähigkeit	Good networking skills are essential in business.
<pre>off-putting (adj) (opposite = appealing)</pre>	/bfputin/	abstoßend	A limp handshake can be very off-putting .
<pre>preliminaries (n pl) cut the preliminaries</pre>	/prr'limənəriz/ /ˌkʌt ðə prr'limənəriz/	einleitende Floskeln auf einleitende Floskeln verzichten	Cutting the preliminaries and getting straight to the point can be too abrupt when you're dealing with a first-time client.
relationship-building (n)	/rɪˌleɪʃənʃɪpˈbɪldɪŋ/	Aufbau von Beziehungen	Networking and relationship-building are vital to businesses.
talk shop	/qal' kicti/	sich über die Arbeit unterhalten	'Talking shop' with colleagues means talking about work and not relaxing and talking about other things.

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absence (n) in the absence of	/æbsəns/ /ıın ðiː ˈæbsəns əv/	Abwesenheit mangels	In the absence of proof of contamination, Coca-Cola could have appealed to have the ban lifted.
<pre>agreement (n) (opposite = disagreement)</pre>	/əˈgriːmənt/	Übereinstimmung	the bull inted.
be in agreement	/biː ˌɪn əˈgriːmənt/	übereinstimmen	I take it we're all in agreement that the first priority is the safety of our personnel.
anti-globalisation (n) anti-globalisation protest	1 10	n/ Anti-Globalisierung n Protest gegen die Globalisierung	Many large companies have been faced with anti-globalisation protests in recent years.
back up (phr v)	/ˌbæk ˈʌp/	sichern	Always remember to back your work up at the end of the day.
backlog (n) backlog of orders	/ˈbæklɒg/ /ˌbæklɒg əv ˈɔːdəz/	Rückstand Auftragsrückstand	With the current backlog of orders a strike's the last thing we need!
boycott (n)	/ˈbɔɪˌkɒt/	Boykott	The firm was worried that rumours of contamination could lead to a widespread consumer boycott .
compensatory damages (n pl)	/kompenˌseɪtərɪ 'dæmɪdʒəz/	Schadensersatz	McDonald's was ordered to pay the woman \$200,000 in compensatory damages.
cool-headed (adj)	/ˌkuːlˈhedəd/	besonnen	Rafferty, the new CEO of the company, has a reputation as a cool-headed decision maker.
course of action (n)	/kɔːs əv ˈæk∫ən/	Vorgehensweise	I'd like your input before committing us to a definite course of action.

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crisis (n)	/ˈkraɪsɪs/	Krise	
a crisis unfolds	/ə ˌkraɪsɪs ʌnˈfəuldz/	eine Krise entwickelt sich	A crisis unfolded when a customer spilt coffee on herself and suffered severe burns.
crisis management (n)	/ˌkraɪsɪs ˈmænɪdʒmənt/	Krisenmanagement	Crisis management consultants help companies to deal with difficult situations.
financial/image etc crisis (n)	/fəˌnænʃəl/ˌimɪdʒ ˈkraɪsɪs/	Finanz-/Imagekrise	Buyers cancelled their orders after reading the report – for Mercedes this was a financial as well as an image crisis .
decision maker (n)	/dr'sīʒən ˌmeɪkə/	jemand, der Entscheidungen trifft; Entscheidungsträger/-in	Are you a cool-headed decision maker or do you panic when you're under pressure?
delegate (v) delegate tasks/jobs/ duties etc	/deləgeit/ /deləgeit 'ta:sks/d3pbz/dju:tiz/	delegieren Aufgaben / Arbeiten / Pflichten delegieren	It's important to learn to delegate tasks when you're a manager.
delivery (n) take delivery (of)	/dı'lıvərı/ /teɪk 'dılıvərı (əv)/	Lieferung eine Lieferung annehmen	The company was hit hard when hundreds of buyers, waiting to take delivery, cancelled their orders.
disaster (n)	/dr'zaistə/	Katastrophe	
disaster strikes	/dı,zɑ:stə 'straıks/	die Katastrophe bricht herein	Disaster struck after the publication of a critical report in a Swedish auto magazine.
downsize (n)	/daunsaiz/	verkleinern, abbauen	There's a rumour that the company is going to be downsized and people are worried about the threat of redundancy.
environmental disaster (n)	/ınˌvɑɪrəˌmentl dıˈzɑːstə/	Umweltkatastrophe	The oil spillage from a tanker off the coast of Spain was an environmental disaster of major proportions.
fraud (n) accusations of fraud	/fro:d/ /ˌækjəˌzeɪʃənz əv ˈfro:d/	Betrug Anklage wegen Betrugs	The US corporation, Enron, faced accusations of fraud after irregularities in their accounting methods were discovered.

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industrial dispute (n)	/ın,dastrıəl 'dıspju:t/	Arbeitskampf	An industrial dispute between senior management and union leaders is threatening to disrupt production.
input (n)	/input/	Beitrag, Input	I'd appreciate the input of all team members before coming to any decision.
insider trading (n)	/ˌmsaɪdə ˈtreɪdɪŋ/	Insiderhandel	One of the most famous cases of insider trading was that of Nick Leeson, which caused the collapse of Barings Bank.
launch (n)	/lɔ:nt∫/	Markteinführung	Disaster struck just before the December launch of the new 'A class' model.
lawsuit (n)	/lɔːsuːt/	Rechtsstreit	The company was faced with an expensive lawsuit when customer Stella Liebeck decided to sue for damages.
liable (adj)	/laɪəbəl/	haftbar	At the trial the jury found McDonald's liable and ordered them to pay over \$2.7 million in damages.
market (n)	/ma:kət/	Markt	The markets directly involved in the crisis were France, Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands.
monopolies commission (n)	/məˈnɒpəlɪz kəˌmɪ∫ən/	Kartellamt	The monopolies commission is an organisation aimed at preventing companies having total control of a market.
objection (n) objection to	/əbˈdʒek∫ən/ /əbˈdʒek∫ən ˌtu:/	Einwand Einwand gegen	What's the nature of your objection to the proposal?
option (n) keep your options open	/ɒpʃən/ /ki:p jər ˈɒpʃənz ,əupən/	Option, Möglichkeit sich die Möglichkeiten offen halten	It's more sensible to keep our options open at this stage.
out-of-court settlement (n)	/ˌaʊtəvˌkɔːt ˈsetlmənt/	außergerichtliche Einigung	Both parties in the McDonald's dispute eventually made an out-of-court settlement for an undisclosed sum.

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overlook (v)	/ˌəuvəˈluk/	hinwegsehen über	Can we really afford to overlook the fact that we'll be putting the local factory workers out of a job?
product recall (n)	/prodakt ˌriːkɔːl/	Rückrufaktion	I think we should authorise a total product recall while we conduct further tests.
production plant (n)	/prəˈdʌkʃən ˌplɑ:nt/	Produktionswerk	We need to think carefully before closing down our biggest production plant.
pros and cons (n pl) weigh up (all) the pros and the cons	/prəuz ən 'konz/ /wei ʌp (ˌɔ:l) ðə ˌprəuz ən 'konz/	Vor- und Nachteile (alle) Vor- und Nachteile abwägen	We need to weigh up all the pros and the cons before we reach a final decision.
punitive damages (n pl)	/ˌpju:nətɪv 'dæmɪdʒəz/	Bußgeld	McDonald's had to pay \$2.7 million in punitive damages because of their 'unacceptably dismissive attitude'.
put our/their/your heads together	/put ˌauə/ˌðeə/ˌjɔː ˈhedz təˌgeðə/	die Köpfe zusammenstecken	Let's put our heads together and see what ideas we can come up with.
redundancy (n) mass redundancies (n pl)	/rɪˈdʌndənsɪ/ /ˌmæs rɪˈdʌndənsɪz/	Entlassung Massenentlassungen	Mass redundancies were announced by the firm yesterday following a 43% drop in profits.
rush into sth (phr v)	/raʃ ˈɪntə ˌsamθɪŋ/	etwas überstürzen	We mustn't rush into anything – this issue requires long and careful consideration
safeguard (v)	/seifga:d/	gewährleisten, schützen	Our first priority is to safeguard the well-being of our personnel.
strike (n)	/straɪk/	Streik	'The union might consider taking industrial action.' 'A strike?' 'It's a possibility.'
sue (v)	/su:/	verklagen	When McDonald's refused to pay the woman's medical bills, she went to an attorney and sued the company.
Time is short.	/taım ız ˈʃɔːt/	Die Zeit ist knapp.	Time is short – the deadline for completion of the project is in just three weeks.
an undisclosed sum (n)	/ən ˌʌndɪsˌkləʊzd 'sʌm/	eine ungenannte Summe	The parties eventually made an out-of-court settlement for an undisclosed sum.

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adbuster (n)	/ædbʌstə/	Werbekritiker	'Adbusters' are people who try to stop big companies advertising their products.
advertising budget (n)	/ædvətaızıŋ ˌbʌdʒət/	Werbebudget	Multinationals such as Nike and Vodaphone spend a fortune on advertising – their advertising budgets are huge.
anti-corporate activism (n)	/ˌæntɪˌkɔ:pərət ˈæktɪvɪzəm/	Protestaktionen gegen große Unternehmen	Anti-corporate activism refers to the attempts made to reduce the power and influence of large corporations.
anti-corporation movement	/ˌæntɪkɔ:pəˌreɪ∫ən ˈmu:vmənt/	Bewegung gegen große Unternehmen	Klein's book, No Logo, represents the voice of the anti-corporation movement.
billboard (n) (especially AmE) (BrE = hoarding)	/bɪlbɔ:d/	Reklametafel, Plakatwand	Billboards advertising products made by multinationals can be seen in most major cities.
brand (n) brand-aware (adj)	/brænd/ /ˌbrændəˈweə/	Marke markenbewusst	Most people today are more brand-aware than at any time in the past.
brand awareness (n)	/ˌbrænd əˈweənəs/	Markenbewusstsein	There seem to be no limits to what the world's biggest companies will do to raise brand awareness.
brand loyalty (n)	/brænd 'lɔɪəltı/	Markentreue	'Brand loyalty' is a marketing term describing the tendency that customers have to stick to the names they trust.
well-known/major brand	/welnaun/meid3a brænd/	bekannte Marke	How many well-known brands are you wearing right now?
celebrity endorsement (adj)	/sə,lebrəti ın'də:smənt/	Werbeunterstützung durch Prominente	Celebrity endorsement , e.g. Britney Spears advertising Pepsi or Michael Jordan advertising Nike, is a well-known form of advertising.
consumption (n)	/kənˈsʌmpʃən/	Konsum, Verbrauch	Consumption in the USA is roughly 30 times greater than in India.
cool hunter (n)	/ku:l ˌhʌntə/	Trendjäger	'Cool hunters' report back to big companies on the latest trends among young people.

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corporate sponsorship (n)	/ˌkɔːpərət ˈspɒnsəʃɪp/	Firmensponsoring	Seeing the Vodaphone brand name on the side of Michael Schumacher's Ferrari is an example of corporate sponsorship .
direct mail (n) (= junk mail)	/daɪˌrekt ˈmeɪl/	Direktwerbung	Most people throw direct mail or 'junk mail' straight in the garbage.
<pre>downmarket (adj) (opposite = upmarket)</pre>	/daʊnˌmɑːkət/	für den Massenmarkt anspruchsvoll, exklusiv	Products that are downmarket are cheap or of low quality.
endorse (v)	/in'dɔ:s/	empfehlen	Michael Jordan was paid more for endorsing the trainers than the entire 30,000-strong workforce was for making them!
expose (v) be exposed to	/ˌekˈspəʊz/ /bi: ekˈspəʊz tuː/	ausgesetzt sein	The average American is exposed to 274 advertisements a day!
free-trade zone (n)	/fri:treɪd ˌzəun/	Freihandelszone	A lot of the products we buy are produced under terrible conditions in free-trade zones in poorer countries.
global integration (n) (= globalisation)	/ˌgləubəl ˌɪntəˈgreɪʃən/	Globalisierung	Do you agree that poor countries are victims of global integration ?
globalisation (n)	/ˌgləubəlaɪˈzeɪʃən/	Globalisierung	In her book No Logo Klein claims that globalisation has hit poor countries badly.
job security (n)	/dʒɒb sɪˌkjuərətɪ/	Sicherheit des Arbeitsplatzes	There's no job security – it's 'no work, no pay' when orders don't come in.
junk mail (n) (= direct mail)	/dʒʌŋk ˌmeɪl/	Junkmail	There's been a marked increase in the amount of junk mail coming through our doors in recent years.
logo (n)	/ləugəu/	Logo	Logos or company symbols have almost become an international language.
market (n) marketplace (n)	/ma:kət/ /ma:kət,pleɪs/	Markt Markt	In a highly competitive marketplace thinking up distinctive names for new products is a specialist business.
market segmentation (n)	/ˌmɑːkət ˌsegmənˈteɪ∫ən/	Marktsegmentierung	'Market segmentation' is the process of dividing up the market into sectors.

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target market (n)	/ta:gɪt ˌma:kət/	Zielmarkt	It's essential to define your target market when you're marketing a product.
upmarket (adj) (opposite = downmarket)	/ʌpmɑːkət/	anspruchsvoll, exklusiv	Products that are upmarket are expensive or of good quality.
multinational (n)	/mʌltrˈnæ∫ənəl/	multinationales Unternehmen	Multinationals such as Nike, Microsoft and Starbucks try to be the chief communicators of all that is good in our culture.
overbranded (adj)	/ˈəʊvəˈbrændəd/	zu sehr von Marken dominiert	Klein has become a campaigner against a world that she sees as being 'overbranded'.
overcapacity (n)	/ˌəʊvəkəˈpæsətɪ/	Überkapazität	'Overcapacity' – in which you produce more of something than you can sell – is the norm in most businesses.
overtime (n)	/ˈəʊvətaɪm/	Überstunden	In many of the factories used by the multinationals there is forced overtime but no job security.
PDA (n) (= personal digital assistant)	/ˌpiːdiːˈeɪ/	PDA	A PDA is a small palmtop computer used for storing names and addresses and for writing reports.
price sensitivity (n)	/prais sensəˌtivəti/	Preisempfindlichkeit	'Price sensitivity' is an expression describing the tendency of some customers to buy the cheapest products available.
<pre>product (n) product development (n)</pre>	/prodakt/ /prodakt di,veləp,mənt/	Produkt Produktentwicklung	A company such as Disney must spend billions on product development annually.
product launch (n)	/prodakt ,lo:nt∫/	Produkteinführung	The number of grocery product launches increased from 2,700 in 1981 to 20,000 in 1996.
product placement (n)	/prodakt .pleisment/	Schleichwerbung	Product placement is the use of a company's product in a film or TV show as a way of advertising it.

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product positioning (n)	/prod∧kt pəˌzɪ∫ənɪŋ	/ Produktpositionierung	The process of deciding whether your product is up- or downmarket is called product positioning.
promotion (n) promotion of	/prəˈməuʃən/ /prəˈməuʃən əv/	Werbung Werbung für	Our advertising budget dictates how much we can spend on promotion of our products.
spam (n)	/spæm/	Spam, unerwünschte, nicht angeforderte E-Mail-Werbung	'Spam' is a term describing unwanted email that is sent to large numbers of people using the Internet.
strategic alliance (n)	/strəˌti:dʒɪk əˈlaɪəns/	strategisches Bündnis	A strategic alliance is formed when two or more rival companies work together in order to achieve something.
target (v)	/ta:gət/	abzielen auf	Video games companies tend to target young males with their action-packed titles.
workforce (n)	/wɜːkfɔːs/	Belegschaft	Many of the multinationals exploit their workforces , denying them job security but forcing them to do overtime when necessary.

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chief executive (n)	/ˌt∫i:f ɪgˈzekjətɪv/	Geschäftsführer, leitender Angestellter	According to Owens, someone who sends messages with lots of spelling and grammar mistakes probably has the makings of a chief executive !
computer (n)	/kəmˈpjuːtə/	Computer	
computer hardware (n)	/kəmˈpjuːtə ˌhɑːdweə/	Computer-Hardware	Computer hardware is equipment such as the monitor, mouse and keyboard that you need to run computer programmes.
computer industry (n)	/kəm'pju:tə ˌɪndʌstr	rı/ Computerbranche	One big company in the computer industry is considering banning e-mails in the afternoon in order to save time.
computer rage (n)	/kəmˈpjuːtə ˌreɪdʒ/	gewalttätiges Verhalten gegenüber dem Computer	A survey by MORI revealed that 75% of computer users suffer from 'computer rage' and actually damage their hardware.
copy sb in (on) (phr v)	/ˌkɒpɪ sʌmbədɪ ˈɪn (nɑ)/	jdn einkopieren	The person to contact is called Margrethe Rasmussen and remember to copy me in on any correspondence.
corporate ladder (n) the top of the corporate ladder	/kɔ:pərət 'lædə/ o ve qat, eő/ kɔ:pərət 'lædə/	Karriereleiter die Spitze der Karriereleiter	Mark Howarth reached the top of the corporate ladder in October 2002 when he was appointed managing director of the firm.
cost (n)		Kosten	
cost breakdown (n)	/kpst breikdaun/	Kostenaufschlüsselung	I require a complete cost breakdown for the project as quickly as possible.
costing (n)	/kostiŋ/	Kosten	Please give me an estimate of the costing for the project.
earnings (n) lost earnings (n pl)	/ˈɜːnɪŋz/ /ˌlɒst ˈɜːnɪŋz/	Einkommen, Einkünfte ausgefallene Einkünfte	Outbursts of computer rage can cost companies up to £25,000 in lost earnings and damaged hardware!
fall (by) (v) (opposite = increase (by))	/(16d), l:ch/	fallen (um)	Cerner stock fell by 28% after emails which the CEO had sent to his staff found their way onto the Yahoo! website!
fire off (phr v)	/far eraf/	"abfeuern"	'Firing off' an e-mail means writing it and sending it as quickly as possible.

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forward (v)	/fɔ:wəd/	weiterleiten	Using office e-mail to forward jokes to colleagues is a bad idea!
get back to sb (phr v)	/get 'bæk tə ,sambədı/	noch einmal mit jdm sprechen, sich wieder mit jdm in Verbindung setzen	I'd be grateful if you could have a quick look at the report and get back to me about it.
get on to sb (phr v)	/get 'on tə ˌsambədı/	jdn ansprechen, sich in Verbindung setzen mit	I must get on to our suppliers about the delay with the order.
go down (phr v) go down well/badly etc	/ˌgəʊ ˈdaʊn/ /ˌgəʊ daʊn ˈwel/ˈbædlɪ/	ankommen gut/schlecht ankommen	You did a good job. The product demonstration went down really well.
high-status (adj)	/ˌharˈsteɪtəs/	hochrangig	High-status people within a company tend to send messages that are shorter and more direct.
keep sb in the loop	/ˌkiːp sʌmbədı ın ðə ˈluːp/	jdn auf dem Laufenden halten	Keep me in the loop on any important developments.
makings (n pl) have (all) the makings of	/meɪkɪŋz/ /hæv ˌ(ɔːl) ðə ˈmeɪkɪŋz əv/	Beschaffenheit das Zeug haben zu	She's a competent middle manager but I don't think she has the makings of a CEO.
middle management (n)	/midl 'mænid3mənt/	mittleres Management	Long, overcomplicated e-mail messages tend to characterise those who will go no further than middle management .
neutral (adj)	/nju:trəl/	neutral	Generally speaking, a friendly but neutral style works best when you're emailing.
packaging design (n)	/ˌpækɪdʒɪn dɪˈzaɪn/	Verpackungsdesign	Our people in marketing weren't too happy with the packaging design.
product demo (n) (= product demonstration)	/prodakt ,deməu/	Produktvorführung	The audience was really impressed with the product demo .

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respond (v) respond to	/rɪˈspɒnd/ /rɪˈspɒnd tuː/	antworten antworten auf	How long does it generally take you to respond to your e-mails?
rethink (n) have a rethink (about)	/ri:θιηk/ /hæv ə 'ri:θιηk (əˌbaut)/	Überdenken überdenken	You need to have a rethink about the packaging design.
send button (n) press the send button	/send ,bxtn/ /,pres ðə 'send ,bxtn/	Schaltfläche "Senden" auf "Senden" klicken	Sending an e-mail is so easy – you just type your message and then press the send button .
sound sb out (on) (phr v)	/ˌsaʊnd sʌmbədɪ 'aʊt (nɑ)/	jdn aushorchen über	When you have a spare moment, I'd like to sound you out on this new packaging idea.
stress factor (n)	/stres ˌfæktə/	Stressfaktor	The survey showed that computers are among the top ten stress factors at work, with 75% of employees shouting and swearing at their machines.
take sth off sb's hands	/ˌteɪk sʌmθɪn ɒf ˌsʌmbədɪz ˈhændz/	jdm etwas abnehmen	I've too much to do at the moment – I'd be grateful if you could take the arrangements for the Milan meeting off my hands.
take on (phr v)	/ˌteɪk ˈɒn/	übernehmen	She's totally stressed out at work and feels she can't take on any more.
time-saver (n)	/taimseivə/	Zeitersparnis	Do you think e-mail is a time-saver or a time-waster?
trash (n)	/træ∫/	Müll	Out of 753 e-mails only ten were really useful – the rest could all have been sent straight to the trash!
unread (adj)	/ˌʌnˈred/	ungelesen	Several of the people we interviewed admitted sending many of their e-mails to the trash unread.
update (v) update sb on sth	/ˌʌpˈdeɪt/	auf den neuesten Stand bringen jdn über etwas auf den neuesten Stand bringen	Can you update me on where you are with the Rome Expo arrangements.

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air traffic control (n)	/eə ˌtræfik kənˈtrəul/	Luftverkehrskontrolle	I looked out of the window and saw a fighter plane flying alongside us – apparently air traffic control had lost radio contact with our plane.
apology (n) make an apology	/əˈpɒlədʒɪ/ /ˌmeɪk ən əˈpɒlədʒɪ/	Entschuldigung sich entschuldigen	One way of starting a conversation with a stranger is to make an apology – for example, about your children's behaviour.
and the strange thing was	/ænd ðə streindʒ θιη wɒs/	und das Seltsame war	There was a loud noise from outside the plane, and the strange thing was that the cabin crew just seemed to be ignoring it.
around the time of	/əraund ðə taim əv/	etwa zu der Zeit von	I was flying from Malaga to Stansted in the UK – this was around the time of the attacks on the World Trade Center in 2001.
assistance (n) offer assistance	/əˈsɪstəns/ /ˌɒfə əˈsɪstəns/	Hilfe Hilfe anbieten	Offering assistance, for example by saying 'Let me help you with that' is another way of starting conversation.
business traveller (n)	/biznəs ˌtrævlə/	Geschäftsreisende/r	Macon Leary's advice to business travellers is to travel light.
to cut a long story short	rr:cta, pal, e tak, et/ 'fr:ct/	um es kurz zu machen	Anyway, to cut a long story short , the captain of the plane managed to keep everybody calm and we were able to continue our journey.
end up (phr v) end up doing	/end 'Ap/ /end Ap 'du:Iŋ/	enden, landen schließlich etwas tun	You won't believe this but I ended up sitting next to a guy with a snake in a basket!
incidentally (adv)	/ˌɪnsəˈdentəlɪ/	übrigens	Incidentally, did I tell you I won't be in the office on Monday afternoon?
industrial tribunal (n)	/ın,dʌstrɪəl traɪˈbju:nəl/	Arbeitsgericht	He won back his job after an industrial tribunal ruled that he had been unfairly dismissed.
luggage (n) lost luggage (n)	/lngid3/ /,lost 'lngid3/	Gepäck verlorenes Gepäck	Have you ever had any bad experiences with lost luggage?

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observation (n) make an observation	/ˌpbzəˈveɪʃən/ /ˌmeɪk ən ˌnezəˈveɪʃən/	Bemerkung eine Bemerkung machen	Making observations about the weather is another common way of starting a conversation.
request (n) make a request	/rɪˈkwest/ /ˌmeɪk ə rɪˈkwest/	Bitte um etwas bitten	'Do you mind swapping seats?' or 'Could you help me with my bag?' are both examples of someone making a request.
subject (n) On the subject of	/sʌbdʒekt/ /ˌɒn ðə ˈsʌbdʒekt əv/	Thema Apropos	On the subject of politics, who do you think is going to win the presidential elections?
To change the subject	/tə ˌt∫emdʒ ðə 'sʌbdʒekt/	Um das Thema zu wechseln,	To change the subject, have you heard who's just been appointed CEO?
swap (v) swap seats	/swpp/ /,swpp 'si:ts/	tauschen Plätze tauschen	Would you mind swapping seats? I don't like sitting next to the window.
Talking of	/to:kiŋ əv/	Apropos	Talking of holidays, one of the nicest places I've ever visited is Bali.
To top it all	/ l:c' tı qat, et/	Als wäre das noch nicht genug,	To top it all, I ended up sitting next to a guy with a snake in a basket!
travel light	/ˌtrævl ˈlaɪt/	mit wenig Gepäck reisen	'Travelling light' means travelling without much luggage.
unfairly dismissed (adj)	/\nfeəli dis'mist/	zu Unrecht entlassen	The industrial tribunal ruled that she had been unfairly dismissed .

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acquisition (n) grow by acquisition	/ˌækwɪˈzɪ∫ən/ /ˌgrəʊ baɪ ˌækwɪˈzɪ∫ən/	Übernahme durch Übernahmen wachsen	Carly Fiorina, CEO of Hewlett-Packard, pursued a policy of growing by acquisition .
a stream of acquisitions	/ə ˌstri:m əv ˌækwı'zı∫ənz/	eine Reihe von Übernahmen	A stream of acquisitions permitted Amazon to expand into areas such as CDs and clothing.
business (n) core business (n)	/biznəs/ /ˌkɔ: 'biznəs/	Geschäft Kerngeschäft	We became the world's No.1 mobile phone company by focusing on our core business .
catchphrase (n)	/kæt∫freɪz/	Schlagwort	One of the ways to become a guru is to come up with a catchphrase or catchword such as 'synergy' or 'glocalisation'.
co-opetition (n)	/kəʊˌɒpəˈtɪʃən/	Zusammenarbeit mit der Konkurrenz	'Co-opetition' is a catchword meaning to co-operate with the competition.
conventional wisdom (n)	/kənˌven∫ənəl ˈwɪzdəm/	vorherrschende Meinung	Semler has chosen to ignore conventional wisdom in allowing his workers to choose and evaluate their bosses.
cut-throat (adj)	/kat,0rəut/	mörderisch	Nokia has overtaken both Ericsson and Motorola in the notoriously cut-throat mobile phone market.
direct-sale (adj)	/dəˌrektˈseɪl/	Direktverkaufs-	The Dell Corporation is a direct-sale computer business that bypasses the middleman, i.e. the retail stores.
diversify (v) diversify into	/daɪ'vɜ:səˌfaɪ/ /daɪ'vɜ:səfaɪ ˌɪntu:/	diversifizieren, ausweiten diversifizieren in	Bezos, the founder of Amazon, has not been afraid to diversify into new businesses.
<pre>downsizing (n) (opposite = expansion)</pre>	/daʊnˌsaɪzɪŋ/	Stellenabbau	'Downsizing' basically means cutting costs by making people redundant.
emotional intelligence (n)	/ɪˌməʊ∫ənəl ɪnˈtelədʒəns/	emotionale Intelligenz	Someone with emotional intelligence knows how to deal with people.

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empire (n) the Virgin/Dell/Microsoft etc empire	/empaɪə/ /ðəˌvɜ:dʒɪn/ˌdel/ ˌmaɪkrəsɒft 'empaɪə/	Imperium das Virgin-/ Dell-/ Microsoft-Imperium	Richard Branson is head of the huge Virgin empire .
empowerment (n)	/im'pavəmənt/	Befähigen, Bevollmächtigen	'Empowerment ' has become a popular catchword meaning giving people control over what they do.
focused (adj) tightly focused	/ˈfəʊkəst/ /ˌtaɪtlɪ ˈfəʊkəst/	konzentriert zielgerichtet	Nokia sold off its non-core operations in order to become more tightly focused .
founder (n) the founder of Dell Corporation	/faundə/ /ðə ˌfaundər əv 'del kɔ:pəˌreɪ∫ən/	Gründer der Gründer von Dell Corporation	Dell is the founder and CEO of Dell Corporation.
glass ceiling (n)	/ˈglɑːs ˈsiːlɪŋ/	gläserne Decke	The glass ceiling certainly exists where I work – there's hardly a woman who gets promoted beyond unit manager.
glocalisation (n)	/ˌgləʊkəlaɪˈzeɪ∫ən/	"Glocalisation"	Glocalisation describes a business strategy in which you keep your business small and local but aim at the whole world as your market.
innovate (v)	/ˈɪnəveɪt/	Neuerungen einführen	In the mobile phone business it's a case of innovate or die.
JIT (= Just-in-Time)	/ˌdʒeɪaɪˈtiː/	absatzsynchrone Produktion	'JIT' means manufacturing things just in time to meet customer demand.
invest (v) invest time/money	/in'vest/ /in _i vest 'taim/'mʌni/	investieren Zeit/Geld investieren	A lot of time and money has been invested in the project.
logistics (n pl)	/ləˈdʒɪstɪks/	Logistik	The logistics of a situation are the practical arrangements that are necessary in order to organize or achieve something.
market (n) market leader (n)	/ˌmɑːkət ˈliːdə/	Markt Marktführer	Branson's company, Virgin, has earned a reputation for stealing business off complacent market leaders.

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marketspace (n)	/ma:kətspeis/	Marktlücke	If you create your own marketspace, you break free of your competitors altogether.
merger (n) push through a merger	/m3:d3ə/ /,po∫ θru: ə 'm3:d3ə/	Fusion, Unternehmenszusammenschluss eine Fusion durchziehen	She's a tough manager who pushed through a highly successful merger with PC giant Compaq.
middleman (n)	/mɪdlmæn/	Zwischenhändler	Retail stores act as the middlemen who sell the product.
overtake (v)	/ˌəʊvəˈteɪk/	überholen	Under the guiding hand of Jorma Ollila, Nokia has overtaken rivals Motorola and Ericsson to become the No.1 mobile phone company.
position (n) maintain your position	/pəˈzɪʃən/ /meɪnˌteɪn jɔ: pəˈzɪʃən/	Position seine Position behalten	In spite of the dot.com crash of 2001, Amazon has maintained its position as the world's largest Internet retailer.
portfolio career (n)	/pɔːtˌfəʊlɪəʊ kəˈrɪə/	Portfolio-Karriere, flexibler Karriereentwurf, bei dem man verschiedene Tätigkeiten parallel ausübt	'What is this so-called portfolio career ?' 'It's the idea that you have to keep changing direction in your career every seven years.'
<pre>publicity (n) generate publicity</pre>	/pʌbˈlɪsətɪ/ /ˌdʒenəreɪt pʌbˈlɪsətɪ/	Werbung, Reklame Reklame machen	One of Branson's greatest skills is the ability to generate publicity for his company.
re-engineering (n)	/ˌriːendʒəˈnɪərɪŋ/	innerbetrieblicher Strukturwandel	Re-engineering was the big thing in the 90s – all about improving efficiency and performance by sacking half your staff!
recession (n) ride out the recession	/rɪˈseʃən/ /ˌraɪd aut ðə rɪˈseʃən/	Rezession die Rezession überstehen	She rode out the recession to rise meteorically to become head of one of Silicon Valley's biggest companies.
self-publicist (n)	/selfpabləsist/	jemand, der sich selbst gut vermarktet	A skilled self-publicist , there is nothing Branson wouldn't do to promote the Virgin brand.

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sell off (phr v)	/ˌsel 'ɒf/	abstoßen	Nokia decided to sell off its non-core operations and to focus exclusively on mobile phones.
synergy (n)	/sın3:d3ı/	Synergie	Synergy is based on the principle that we are all more effective as individuals if we work as a team.
TQM (= Total Quality Management) (n)	/ˌtiːkjuːˈem/	TQM, Gesamtqualitätssicherung	TQM involves monitoring production, inventory, logistics etc and making sure that they are accurate.
trend (n) buck the trend (opposite = follow the trend)	/trend/ /ˌbʌk ðə 'trend/	Trend sich dem Trend widersetzen	Amazon bucked the e-commerce trend by remaining the world's largest Internet retailer.

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advertising technique	/ædvətarzıŋ tekˌni:k/	Werbetechnik	The use of celebrities to endorse products is a powerful advertising technique.
authorise (v)	/ˈɔːθəraɪz/	genehmigen	A total shutdown of the Hamburg plant has been authorised.
back up (phr v)	/,bæk 'np/	sich stauen	If we close the plant down, we'll have container lorries backed up from Hamburg to Lübeck!
blue-chip client (n)	/ˌbluːtʃɪp ˈklaɪənt/	erstklassiger Kunde	Geoconference has an impressive list of blue-chip clients , including IBM and Merrill Lynch.
bottleneck (n) production bottleneck (n)	/botlnek/ /prəˈdʌk∫ən ˌbotlnek/	Engpass Produktionsengpass	If you authorise a plant shutdown, we'll have a terrible production bottleneck.
budget (n) budget overrun (n)	/ˈbʌdʒət/ /ˌbʌdʒət ˈəʊvərʌn/	Budget, Etat Überziehen des Budgets	Unfortunately the rumours of a budget overrun on the <i>Vivacity</i> campaign turned out to be true.
exceed a budget	/ɪkˌsi:d ə ˈbʌdʒət/	ein Budget überziehen	I'm worried about the costs we're running up on the Éternelle account – I think we're in danger of exceeding our budget.
run over budget	/ˌrʌn əʊvə ˈbʌdʒət/	das Budget überschreiten	With post-production costs, we could $run \in 500,000 - \in 700,000$ over budget on this one.
costs (n pl) run up costs	/kdsts/ /ˌran ap 'kdsts/	Kosten Kosten in die Höhe treiben	The Chief Financial Officer is concerned about the costs RJK are running up on the Éternelle account.
delivery (n) delayed deliveries (n pl)	/drˈlɪvərɪ/ /dɪˌleɪd drˈlɪvərɪz/	Lieferung verspätete Lieferungen	A large number of delayed deliveries could harm the company's reputation.
endorse (v) endorse a product/brand	/in/do:s/ /in,do:s ə 'prodakt/'brænd/	empfehlen, unterstützen ein Produkt / eine Marke empfehlen	The use of celebrities to endorse products is a powerful advertising technique.

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fall (n) fall in productivity/ sales etc	/fo:l/ /ˌfo:l in ˌprddak'tivəti/seilz/	Rückgang Produktivitäts- /Verkaufsrückgang	A fall in productivity could seriously damage our position as market leader.
manhours (n pl) lost manhours (n pl)	/mænauəz/ /ˌlɒst ˈmænauəz/	Arbeitsstunden verlorene Arbeitsstunden	How many lost manhours do you estimate a plant shutdown would result in?
order (n) meet an order	/ˈɔːdə/ /ˌmiːt ən 'ɔːdə/	Bestellungen, Auftrag einer Bestellung nachkommen, einen Auftrag ausführen	If we close down the plant for a few days, we won't be able to meet any of our current orders .
oversee (v)	/,əuvəˈsiː/	beaufsichtigen	Max Schiller is told to oversee and ensure completion of the repairs within three days.
<pre>publicity (n) adverse publicity (n)</pre>	/pʌbˈlɪsətɪ/ /ˌædvɜːs pʌbˈlɪsətɪ/	Werbung Negativpresse	A total plant shutdown could generate a great deal of adverse publicity.
reserve stocks (n pl)	/rī,zɜːv ˈstɒks/	Reservebestand	We have insufficient reserve stocks to fully meet current orders.
safety (n) safety check (n)	/ˈseɪftɪ/ /ˈseɪftɪ ˌtʃek/	Sicherheit Sicherheitsüberprüfung	The site must be evacuated in order to conduct safety checks.
safety hazard (n)	/seifti ,hæzəd/	Sicherheitsrisiko	We have to shut the plant down – at the moment it's a safety hazard.
shutdown (n)	/ˈʃʌtdaʊn/	Schließung	The shutdown of the Hamburg plant has now been officially confirmed.
smooth over (phr v) smooth things over	/ˌsmu:ð 'əʊvə/ /ˌsmu:ð θɪŋz 'əʊvə/	in Ordnung bringen, gerade biegen die Sache gerade biegen	Somebody in after-sales will have to ring round our key customers and smooth things over with them.
teleconferencing (n)	/ˌtelɪˈkɒnfrənsɪŋ/	(Abhalten von) Telekonferenz (en)	Teleconferencing allows people in different places to communicate using an electronic communications system, usually television.

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video (n) video phone (n)	/vidiəu ˌfəun/	Video Bildtelefon	The advantage of videoconferencing is that you can hold meetings with people in other places using a video phone .
videoconferencing (n)	/vɪdɪəʊˈkɒnfrənsɪŋ/	(Abhalten von) Videokonferenz(en)	Although there are many advantages to videoconferencing , it will never eliminate the need for a face-to-face meeting.

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acumen (n)	/ækjəmən/	Scharfsinn	
financial acumen (n)	/fəˌnæn∫əl ˈækjəmən/	Geschäftssinn	Someone who has financial acumen makes good financial decisions and judgments.
agreement (n) jeopardise an agreement	/əˈgriːmənt/ /ˌdʒepədaɪz ən	Abkommen ein Abkommen gefährden	Some negotiators make a last-minute demand in the hope that his or her
jeoparaise air agreemant	əˈgriːmənt/	on , lane miner geraniaen	opponent will not want to jeopardise the agreement for one small detail.
bottom line (n)	/botəm 'laın/	Verhandlungsminimum	O Zana is a maintain and the addition of the least to be stated by the same about the best to be stated than the
be sb's absolute bottom line	/bɪ ˌsʌmbədɪz ˌæbsəluːt ˌbɒtəm ˈlaɪn/	jemands absolutes Verhandlungsminimum sein	<i>O-Zone</i> is a unique product and I'm afraid \in 4 a bottle is our absolute bottom line.
business (n)	/biznəs/	Geschäft	
a rock-solid business	/ə ˌrɒksɒlɪd ˈbɪznəs/	ein grundsolides Geschäft	Firmly established rock group, the Stones, are also a rock-solid business generating millions of dollars a year.
compromise (n)	/komprəmaız/	Kompromiss	
reach a compromise	/ˌriːtʃ ə ˈkɒmprəmaɪz/	einen Kompromiss treffen	During negotiations you must often be prepared to reach some kind of compromise .
concession (n)	/kənˈse∫ən/	Zugeständnis	
obtain a concession	/bb _i tein ə kən'seʃən/	ein Zugeständnis bekommen	Experienced negotiators know how to obtain concessions from their opponents without giving too much in return.
deadlock (n)	/dedlpk/	Stillstand	
end in deadlock	/end in 'dedlok/	ergebnislos enden	Neither side was prepared to move and so the negotiation ended in deadlock.
demand (n)	/dɪˈmɑːnd/	Forderung	
make a demand	/meik ə di'ma:nd/	fordern	Don't make all your demands at the start of negotiations – make a small demand first and get agreement on it before proceeding.
emotional blackmail (n)	/ɪˌməʊ∫ənəl ˈblækmeɪl/	emotionale Erpressung	Emotional blackmail involves trying to make other people feel guilty in order to get what you want.
essentials (n pl)	/rˈsen∫əlz/	das Entscheidende	'Essentials' are the things that it is very important for you to obtain during negotiations.

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gross revenues (n pl)	/grəus 'revənju:z/	Bruttoeinkünfte	The Stones have generated more than \$1.5 billion in gross revenues since 1989.
halfway (adv) meet sb halfway	/ˌha:fweɪ/ /ˌmi:t sʌmbədɪ ha:fweɪ/	in der Mitte sich in der Mitte treffen	Maybe we could sort something out on price. Would you be willing to meet us halfway?
hassle (n) not be worth the hassle	/hæsəl/ /hæsəl/ /hæsəl/	Schwierigkeiten die Schwierigkeiten nicht wert sein	Sometimes people give in to their opponent completely, deciding that prolonged negotiations are simply not worth the hassle.
head-on conflict (n)	/ˌhedɒn 'kɒnflɪkt/	direkter Konflikt	If neither person is prepared to compromise then the discussions may turn into a head-on conflict.
high-pressure tactics (n pl)	/ˌhaɪpreʃə ˈtæktɪks/	aggressive Taktik	Using high-pressure tactics involves using every strategy you can in order to get what you want.
ideals (n pl)	/ˌaɪˈdɪəlz/	Ideale	'Ideals' are the things you will fight to get but not if it costs you the deal.
income stream (n)	/ınkam ˌstri:m/	Einkommensstrom	Music rights, not concerts, provide the steadiest income stream.
long-term relationship (n)	/distam usplei]	lang andauernde Beziehung	It's not worth sacrificing a long-term relationship for the sake of winning a deal.
manoeuvre (n) room for manoeuvre (n)	/məˈnuːvə/ /ˌruːm fə məˈnuːvə/	Manövrieren Spielraum	The problem with getting involved in a single-issue negotiation is that you leave yourself little room for manoeuvre .
movement (n) movement on price	/mu:vmənt/ /mu:vmənt on 'prais/	Bewegung Flexibilität des Preises	We'd like to see a little more movement on price – say, a 10% discount?
negotiate (v) negotiable (adj)	/nɪˈgəʊʃɪeɪt/ /nɪˈgəʊʃɪəbəl/	verhandeln verhandelbar	Pointing out to your opponent that some things are not negotiable is an example of the 'strictly off-limits ploy'.

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negotiating objective (n)	/nɪˌgəʊ∫ɪeɪtɪŋ ɒb'dʒektɪv/	Verhandlungsziel	Your negotiating objectives are the things you want to achieve during negotiations.
negotiator (n)	/nıˈgəʊ∫ɪeɪtə/	Verhandlungsführer/-in, Unterhändler/-in	Experienced negotiators have a range of high-pressure tactics that they use to get what they want.
one-off deal (n)	/wonof 'di:l/	einmaliges Geschäft	The tactics that you use for negotiating a one-off deal are very different from those you use when there's a long-term relationship involved.
out-earn (v)	/aut'a:n/	ein höheres Einkommen haben als	The dead Elvis Presley started out-earning the live Elvis Presley in 1988!
pay off (phr v)	/ˌpeɪ ˈɒf/	auszahlen	Mariah Carey was paid off to the tune of £19.5 million when Virgin Records decided they didn't want to record her at all!
pressurise (v)	/pre∫əraɪz/	unter Druck setzen	Which of the high-pressure tactics listed do you most often use to pressurise your opponents?
royalties (n pl)	/ˈrɔɪəltɪz/	Lizenzgebühren	Each time the Stones get airplay they collect 50% of the royalties .
set sth to one side	/set samθin tə won 'said/	etwas zurückstellen	Let's set the price issue to one side for a moment, shall we? Tell me a bit more about the product.
single-issue negotiation (n)	/ˌsɪŋgəlˌɪʃuː nɪˈgəʊʃɪeɪʃən/	Verhandlung über einen einzigen Punkt	The problem with all single-issue negotiations is that there is very little room for manoeuvre for either party.
small print (n)	/smɔ:l 'prɪnt/	Kleingedrucktes	The small print of a contract consists of the details printed in small letters that often limit your rights.
throw sth in (phr v)	/ˌθrəυ samθιη 'ɪn/	(gratis) dazugeben	We could offer you a 6% discount, free delivery and we could throw in free parts and service as well.
topic (n)	/topik/	Thema	A single-issue negotiation is one where only one topic is being discussed.

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tradeables (n pl)	/treɪdəbəlz/	verhandelbare Punkte	'Tradeables' are the things that you take if you can get them but that are not particularly important to you.
win (v) win at all costs	/win ət ɔ:l 'kɒsts/	gewinnen um jeden Preis gewinnen	Becoming hostile because you want to win at all costs is often a big mistake.
win-win situation (n)	/ˌwɪnˈwɪn sɪt∫u:ˌeɪ∫ən/	Verhandlungsergebnis, aus dem alle Parteien Gewinn ziehen	By generating options you create a win-win situation where you both feel you've gained something.

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anti-ageing (adj) anti-ageing medical advances	/ˌæntɪˈeɪdʒɪŋ/ /ˌæntɪˌeɪdʒɪŋ ˈmedɪkəl ədˌvɑ:nsəz/	Anti-Ageing medizinische Fortschritte/Entwicklungen gegen das Altern	Do you think that anti-ageing medical advances are a good idea?
back office (n) back office staff (n pl)	/,bæk 'pfis/ /,bæk 'pfis ,sta:f/	Back Office Mitarbeiter des Back Office	Many companies are already employing workers in countries such as India as 'back office staff'.
be a long way off	/bi: ə lɒŋ weɪ ɒf/	weit entfernt sein	In my view, the era of robots who are mentally and physically superior to humans is still a long way off.
be bound to	/bɪ 'baond tu:/	müssen	Bowman thinks that western companies are bound to employ an increasing number of workers in the developing world.
brink (n) be on the brink of doing sth	/brɪŋk/ /biː ɒn ðə ˈbrɪŋk əv ˌdu:ɪŋ/	Rand, Abgrund kurz davor sein, etwas zu tun	I believe we are on the brink of creating 'lifelike' machines.
commodity (n) precious commodity	/kəˈmɒdətɪ/ ˌpreʃəs kəˈmɒdətɪ/	Ware, Gut wertvolles Gut	Cochrane predicts that people will be willing to spend large sums of money saving our most precious commodity – time.
DNA (n) DNA structure (n)	/ˌdi:enˈeɪ/ /ˌdi:enˈeɪ ˌstrʌktʃə/	DNA DNA-Struktur	Humans are now beginning to be able to modify their DNA structure and become more artificial.
economic progress (n)	/ˌekəˌnɒmɪk 'prəugres/	wirtschaftlicher Fortschritt	Most of today's businesses grew up in a period of population explosion and rapid economic progress.
era (n) enter an era of	/iərə/ /ˌentə ən ˈiərə əv/	Zeitalter in ein Zeitalter kommen	I think we may be about to enter an era of rapid population decline.

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future (n) a bright future	/fju:t∫ə/ /ə ˌbraɪt ˈfju:t∫ə/	Zukunft eine leuchtende Zukunft	One industry that definitely has a bright future is the pharmaceuticals.
face a bleak future	/ˌfeɪs ə ˌbliːk ˈfjuːtʃə/	sich einer düsteren Zukunft gegenübersehen	Parts of Europe and the US could be facing a bleak future unless they find a way of solving the population problem.
the foreseeable future	/ðə fə:ˌsi:əbəl 'fju:t∫ə/	die absehbare Zukunft	I don't see Dewdney's prediction of 'a different human species' becoming a reality in the foreseeable future.
futurist (n)	/fju:tərɪst/	Futurist	'Futurists' are people who make predictions about what life will be like in the future.
genetically enhanced (adj)	/dʒəˌnetɪklɪ ɪn'ha:nst/	genetisch verbessert	The world may end up being divided into people who can afford to be 'genetically enhanced' and those who can't, leading to a new class of beings.
global economy (n)	/ˈgləubəl ɪˈkɒnəmɪ/	Weltwirtschaft	As the global economy becomes more integrated and interdependent so the number of workers in developing countries will grow.
high (adj) high-end (adj)	/haɪ/ /haɪˌend/	hoch anspruchsvoll	Electronic immigrants may soon end up being employed in high-end technical fields such as engineering or IT.
high-tech, high-touch (n)	/haɪˌtek harˈtʌtʃ/	modernste, aber auch emotionale und personalisierte Technologie	The high-tech , high-touch approach involves giving the latest technology a personal touch.
horizon (n) be on the horizon	/həˈraɪzən/ /bi: ˌɒn ðə həˈraɪzən/	Horizont sich abzeichnen	Political change and economic change seems to be on the horizon in many countries.
indication (n) All the indications are	/ˌɪndəˈkeɪʃən/ /ˌɔːl ði: ˌɪndəˈkeɪʃənz a:/	Anzeichen Alles weist darauf hin,	At the present time all the indications are that the number of people working from home is set to grow.
lie in store	/ˌlaɪ ɪn ˈstɔː/	bevorstehen	It's impossible to predict with 100% accuracy what lies in store for businesses in the future.

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lifelike (adj)	/laɪfˌlaɪk/	realistisch, lebenesecht	Ironically as humans are playing with their DNA structure and becoming more 'artificial', machines are becoming more 'lifelike'.
marketing potential (n)	/ma:kətiŋ pəˌtenʃəl/	Marktpotenzial	Which of the technologies listed do you think has the most marketing potential?
multitasking (n)	/ˌmʌltɪˈtɑːskɪŋ/	Multitasking	Cochrane predicts that we will fit much more into the lives we've got by multitasking (= doing more than one thing at the same time) at work.
networked (adj)	/netw3:kt/	vernetzt	In Bowman's opinion, in the networked world of the future where you live will have little effect on where you work.
on stream (adv) come on stream	/ˌɒn ˈstriːm/ /ˌkʌm ɒn ˈstriːm/	in Betrieb in Betrieb gehen	While some of the technologies mentioned will never be implemented, others will gradually come on stream and improve our lives.
population (n) population decline (n)	/ˌpɒpjəˈleɪʃən/ /pɒpjəˌleɪʃən dıˈklaɪn/	Bevölkerung Bevölkerungsrückgang	Gary Wright thinks that immigration will offset population decline to a certain extent in many Western countries.
population explosion (n)	/ˌpɒpjəˌleɪʃən ɪkˈspləʊʒən/	Bevölkerungsexplosion	Many of today's businesses grew up in a period of population explosion .
possibilities (n pl) open up possibilities	/stibilatiz/ /aupen, np /stibilatiz/	Möglichkeiten Möglichkeiten eröffnen	Recent developments in computing technology have opened up all kinds of exciting possibilities .
<pre>prospects (n pl) the long-term prospects (n pl)</pre>	/prospekts/ /ðə ˌloŋtɜːm ˈprospekts/	Aussichten die langfristigen Aussichten	In my opinion the long-term prospects for conventional medicine are limited.
smart machine (n)	/ˌsma:t məˈ∫i:n/	intelligente Maschine	Smart machines use computer technology to make them more effective.
be targeted to	/ut, beteg:at id/	ausgerichtet sein auf	Hopefully technological advances will mean that products and services can be better targeted to the needs of the customer.

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technological shift (n)	/ˌteknəˌlɒdʒɪkəl 'ʃɪft/	technologische Veränderung	Angell argues that every major technological shift creates winners and losers.
technology (n) embrace technology	/tek'nɒlədʒɪ/ /ɪmˌbreɪs tek'nɒlədʒɪ/	Technologie, Technik Technik annehmen	People will always rush to embrace technology that makes their life easier.
reject technology	/rıˌdʒekt tekˈnɒlədʒɪ/	Technik ablehnen	Just as we embrace some forms of technology, we reject technology that makes us feel less alive, less human.
technophile (n) (opposite = technophobe)	/teknəfaɪl/	"Technik-Freak"	A technophile is someone who appreciates advances in technology.
technophobe (n) (opposite = technophile)	/teknəfəub/	Technikfeind	A technophobe is someone who does not like or trust new forms of technology.
virtual reality (n)	/ˌvɜːtʃʊəl riːˈælətɪ/	virtuelle Realität	Virtual reality is the images and sounds generated by computers in order to simulate reality.
way (n) be a long way off	/weɪ/ /bi: a lɒŋ weɪ ɒf/	Weg noch weit entfernt sein	In my view, the era of robots who are mentally and physically superior to humans is still a long way off.