

## 20 New Words for your IELTS Exam

Vocabulary is an important aspect to score good in IELTS exam. Here is a compiled set of 20 words with their usage that will enhance the quality of your IELTS essay and it would also be helpful for understanding the reading section better. The key is to use these words on a daily basis to get the desired result.

### 1. Extol

**Meaning:** praise enthusiastically

They kept extolling my managerial skills.



### 2. A hot potato

**Meaning:** a controversial topic

Air pollution and female foeticide are the hot potatoes in my country at the moment.



### 3. Appease

**Meaning:** to be at peace/to pacify

He wore that dress just to appease her.



#### 4. Obsolete

**Meaning:** out of date

He never disposes his obsolete machines.



#### 5. Indiscriminate

**Meaning:** done at random without careful judgement

Indiscriminate actions lead to horrifying consequences.



#### 6. Student digs

**Meaning:** student accommodation

I am planning to move into student digs in town.



**7. Sprawling city**

**Meaning:** a city that extends over a large area  
London is a vast, sprawling city.



**8. Pavement cafe**

**Meaning:** cafes with table outside on the pavement  
She loves to have her evening coffee at a pavement cafe.



**9. Laid-back**

**Meaning:** easy going  
Rubin is quite laid-back.



### 10. Fidget

**Meaning:** move nervously or continuously  
They tend to fidget and lose focus easily.



### 11. Stalled

**Meaning:** paused  
She stalled while giving speech.



### 12. Intoxicated

**Meaning:** affected by alcohol/drugs to the point of being out of control  
Driving while intoxicated is illegal.



### 13. Gullible

**Meaning:** easily persuaded to believe something  
I am so gullible that I would have believed him.



### 14. Ecstatic

**Meaning:** expressing overwhelming joy  
Children were ecstatic when they came to know about the magic show.



### 15. Death knell

**Meaning:** destruction

Air pollution is sounding the death knell of the environment.



### 16. Frisky

**Meaning:** playful like a kitten

Shaina is a frisky little girl.



### 17. Stride

**Meaning:** step

Severe damage has been done to the environment in the human stride to progress.



### 18. Deferential

**Meaning:** showing courteous regard to people's feelings

Mehak's boss is very kind and deferential.



### 19. Swindling

**Meaning:** cheating

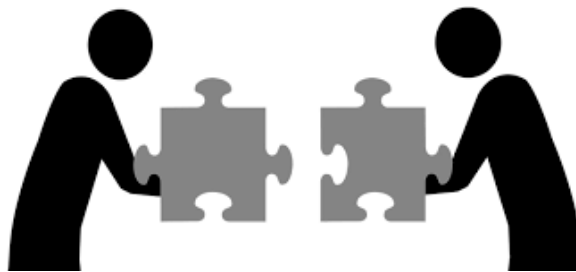
Many people live by swindling others.



### 20. Reluctant

**Meaning:** hesitant

If people are reluctant to help the backward class then the efforts of the government are in vain.



Happy learning! Wishing best of luck to all the readers. Aim high and score high!

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