



ESL Vocabulary Worksheet for Adults

Topic: Word Families

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EXERCISE 1: Fill in the gaps

Complete the sentences with the correct word from the word family. Write the answer on the line.

- The word family is **-ake**
- The words are: cake, bake, lake, snake, shake

- a) She loves to _____ chocolate _____ for her birthday.
- b) There is a big _____ near our house. We often go there for a picnic.
- c) Be careful! There is a venomous _____ hiding in the grass.
- d) He was so nervous that he couldn't stop his hands from _____.
- e) You need to _____ the bottle well before you drink it.

Part 2

- The word family is **-an**

- The words are: can, fan, man, ran, tan

- a) He _____ as fast as he could to catch the bus.
- b) She likes to _____ her room with posters and stickers.
- c) He is a _____ of action movies and comic books.
- d) She bought a _____ of soda from the vending machine.
- e) He got a nice _____ after spending a week at the beach.



EXERCISE 2: Multiple Choice

Choose the correct word from the word family to complete the sentence. Circle the letter of your choice.

- The word family is **-ight**
- The words are: light, night, fight, flight, right

- a) He turned on the _____ to see better in the dark.
- A) light
 - B) night
 - C) fight
 - D) flight
- b) She had a _____ with her brother over the remote control.
- A) light
 - B) night
 - C) fight
 - D) flight
- c) He was afraid of flying, so he took a train instead of a _____.

- A) light
- B) night
- C) fight
- D) flight

d) She always studied hard to get the _____ answers on the test.

- A) light
- B) night
- C) fight
- D) right

e) He couldn't sleep well at _____ because of the noise outside.

- A) light
- B) night
- C) fight
- D) flight

f) He was very _____ when he saw the beautiful sunset.

- A) light
- B) night
- C) fight
- D) bright

g) She had to work late at _____, so she missed her favorite show.

- A) light
- B) night
- C) fight
- D) flight

h) He had a _____ with his girlfriend and they broke up.

- A) light
- B) night
- C) fight

- D) right

i) She was _____ about her decision and didn't regret it.

- A) light
- B) night
- C) fight
- D) right

j) He missed his _____ and had to wait for the next one.

- A) light
- B) night
- C) fight
- D) flight



EXERCISE 3: Identify the difference

Explain the difference between the two words from the same word family. Write the answer in a complete sentence.

- The word family is **-ear**
 - The words are: ear, hear, near, dear, clear, fear, rear, tear, wear, year
- A. What's the difference between **ear** and **hear**?
 - B. What's the difference between **near** and **dear**?
 - C. What's the difference between **clear** and **fear**?
 - D. What's the difference between **rear** and **tear**?
 - E. What's the difference between **wear** and **year**?



EXERCISE 4: Definition Matching

Match the word with its definition or picture.

- The word family is **-at**

| WORD | DEFINITION |
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| Cat | A flat piece of fabric or other material that is placed on the floor or a table and is used for decoration or protection. |
| Hat | A wooden or metal club that is used to hit the ball in some sports, such as baseball or cricket. |
| Bat | A large rodent that has a long tail and a pointed nose and can spread diseases. |
| Rat | A small furry animal that is often kept as a pet and has a long tail and sharp claws. |
| Mat | A piece of cloth or other material that is used to cover or protect the head. |
| Fat | A word that rhymes with bat and means a flat piece of land or ground. |
| Gnat | A word that rhymes with rat and means a large container for liquids or gases. |
| Flat | A word that rhymes with hat and means a small insect that can fly and sting. |
| Vat | A word that rhymes with hat and means a small insect that can fly and sting. |

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| Chat | A word that rhymes with cat and means fat or overweight. |
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