

# Oxford *Living* GRAMMAR

Elementary Word Focus

<b>Word</b>	<b>Definition</b>
account	money that is kept at the bank in your name
bank statement	printed information from your bank about how much money you've spent
bench	a long seat for two people or more, usually made of wood
to budget	to decide how much money you can spend every week / every month, etc.
by the way	a phrase used to change the subject (say something different)
challenge	a new or difficult thing to do
to check	to look at something to see if it's OK
classmates	people who study with you in your class
to commute	to travel to work
competition	a kind of game with prizes if you win
consumers	people who buy things
corner shop	a local shop that is open late and sells useful things
cottage	a small house in the country
to feed	to give food to someone
fishmonger	a shop which sells fish
flatmates	people who live with you in your flat
gap year	a year between school and university when some students travel around the world, or work on special projects
to go bad	to become too old to eat
to help yourself	to take what you want
to joke	to say something funny but not true
keep in touch	to speak or write to someone regularly
kettle	a kitchen appliance used to heat water
landlord / landlady	the person you pay every month when you rent a flat
to launch	to make a new product available for the first time
launderette	a shop where you pay to use washing machines
to lock	to close with a key
main course	the second course of a meal

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the media	newspapers, TV and radio
to move house	to leave your old house and begin to live in a new house
nurse	a person who helps you if you're ill, usually in a hospital
photocopier	a machine that makes copies of documents
pyjamas	a loose jacket and trousers that people wear in bed
reward	money or something nice that you get because you've done something good
sale	a time when things in a shop are cheaper
shed	a small wooden building in the garden
to sink	to go below the surface or towards the bottom of the water
soap opera	short TV programme about the lives of a group of people
sparkling water	water with gas
to splash	to make someone wet by making water fall on them
starter	the first course of a meal
still water	water without gas
takeaway	a hot meal that you buy from a shop or restaurant and then take home to eat
to take it easy	to relax
to text	to send a written message on a mobile phone
try something on	to put on a piece of clothing to see if it fits and how it looks
twins	two children who were born at the same time; if they look the same we call them identical twins
to water	to give water to something
wig	artificial hair