



Academic Word List Giving Examples – Giving examples phrases game Student A

Choose one of the things below and give examples until your partner guesses exactly what you are talking about. They can only guess once per clue. Use a different phrase from the next page for each example.

1. abstract nouns
2. aid for developing countries
3. arguments which you are unconvinced by
4. attributes of a good researcher
5. bad conduct by politicians
6. circumstances under which you would steal
7. coincidences which you have experienced
8. commentators
9. commitments which you have made
10. commodities
11. components of things in this room
12. concepts that you understand well
13. consequences of individualism
14. constraints on your freedom
15. constructive criticism which you have experienced
16. consumer rights
17. contributions to your understanding by other students
18. conventions of academic writing
19. criteria of a good paragraph
20. crucial issues for the Japanese government
21. deregulation
22. devices you have used
23. disproportionate reactions
24. documents
25. domestic tasks
26. dramatic changes in your lifetime
27. durations
28. erosion
29. erroneous ideas about Japan
30. possible evidence in support of a hypothesis
31. evolution
32. corporate crimes
33. examples of diversity in Japan
34. examples of incompatibility in couples
35. real examples of isolationism
36. different kinds of museum exhibits
37. real examples of exploitation
38. facilities in this building
39. factors you took into account when choosing this university
40. foreign currencies
41. forms of discrimination
42. formulae
43. generations



44. goals which are unattainable for most people
45. good attitudes for postgraduate students
46. good ways of bonding with your classmates
47. government interventions in the private sector
48. guidelines for academic writing
49. highlights of your academic life
50. home maintenance
51. ideologies
52. implications of your recent research/ research you have read recently
53. imprecise estimates
54. inappropriate actions for university lecturers
55. incentives to live more healthily
56. incoherent arguments that you have read
57. indicators of recession
58. infrastructure
59. innovators
60. institutions
61. intrinsic properties of capitalism
62. irrational beliefs
63. items on your list of things to do
64. Japanese cultural norms
65. journals
66. justifications for murder
67. legislator
68. liberalisation
69. long procedures

A (less) well-known/ famous example	A better example
A different example	A similar example
A great example	A typical example
An obscure example	An additional example
The most well-known example	The most well-known/ famous example
The most obvious example	
To give an example	If I can use an example
I'd like to illustrate my point with an example	
There are many examples	To give one of the many examples
One of the best examples	One of many examples
An example from my own experience	An example that I read
An example which I often use	An example which springs to mind
An example to show you what I'm talking about	
An example which is often used to illustrate this point	
An example which you might be familiar with	



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70. manual labour
71. market manipulation
72. media
73. mediation
74. law enforcement
75. networks
76. objects which are disposable
77. objects with distinctive design
78. occupations
79. parts of the establishment
80. periodicals
81. philosophies
82. places which are inaccessible to wheelchair users
83. places with substantial Japanese minorities
84. positive aspects of contemporary art
85. possible impacts of academic research
86. your presumptions which turned out to be wrong
87. psychological problems
88. publications
89. qualitative research
90. radicals
91. inaccurate statements
92. reasons for inaccuracy
93. regions
94. sales promotions
95. school assignments
96. signs of maturity
97. signs that someone is a conformist
98. sources of personal income
99. sources of quotations
100. supernatural phenomena/ entities
101. advantages of looking for consensus
102. consequences of choosing this university
103. things that exceeded your expectations
104. things which are conceivable in the next five years
105. things which are declining
106. things which are fluctuating
107. things which are inevitable
108. things which are undeniably true
109. things which are/ might be infinite
110. things which might induce birth
111. things which should be prohibited
112. things which will definitely happen in the next ten years



- 113. things which you feel inhibited about
- 114. things which you were unaware of five years ago
- 115. things which you would put in this country's constitution
- 116. things with many layers
- 117. things you are incapable of
- 118. things you have been/ are/ would be excluded from
- 119. things you would demonstrate against
- 120. uncontroversial topics of conversation
- 121. uneconomical personal habits
- 122. unethical research practices
- 123. unprecedented events
- 124. ways in which Tokyo is inadequate
- 125. ways of approximating
- 126. ways of assessing language skills
- 127. ways of categorising things in this room
- 128. ways of emphasising
- 129. ways of enhancing life in Tokyo
- 130. ways of evaluating research
- 131. ways of grading university students
- 132. ways of implying something without saying it directly
- 133. ways of showing initiative
- 134. your expertise
- 135. your goals
- 136. your initial impressions of this area
- 137. your principles
- 138. your priorities

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Worksheet 2 - Phrases for giving examples presentation/ practice

Try to remember or think of at least two words or phrases for each of the gaps below.

A _____ example
An _____ example
The _____ example
_____ an example
_____ examples
An example _____

Check with the previous pages.

Test each other on the phrases above.

Take turns brainstorming as many suitable phrases as you can (including ones not above like "e.g.")

Correct the following phrases

One of the best example is...

For example..., and so on.

...and etc.

Do these phrases have the same or different meanings? (If there are more than two they all have the same meaning or all have different meanings)

...and so forth./ ...and so on./ ... etcetera.

e.g./ i.e.

...,e.g..../ ,such as.../ ...,like...

One of the best examples is.../ The best example is...

The best example is.../ The best illustration of this is...

An additional example is.../ Another example is...

An example from my own experience is.../ My favourite example of this is...

For example/ For instance

Further practice

All the phrases in the first task have words from the Academic Word List. Check any categories that you don't understand.

Choose one category and take turns giving different examples using different phrases until someone gives up. Try to do it without looking at the list of useful phrases.