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Introduction

Why test vocabulary?

Research has shown that you usually need to meet a word at least seven times before you know it properly. Doing exercises like these, practising words and expressions that you have already encountered, is a useful way of helping you to fix the words you have been studying in your long-term memory.

What vocabulary is tested?

This book provides a series of tests of English vocabulary at upper-intermediate level. It is based on the vocabulary presented and practised in *English Vocabulary in Use: Upper-intermediate*. There is a test corresponding to each unit of that book. You can, of course, also use this book if you have not been working with *English Vocabulary in Use* but are simply interested in assessing your knowledge of the vocabulary area covered by the test.

How do I score my tests?

Each test is scored out of 35, and a key, containing information about how many marks each item gets, is included at the back of the book. It should be clear from the key what you need to write to get each mark and so you should be able to score your work without a teacher, if you wish to.

The first exercise in each test always offers a maximum score of 10 and it is recommended that you do this exercise first. If your score for this exercise is less than 5, then we suggest that you do a bit more work in the language area covered by the test before doing the rest of it.

Although the tests are all scored out of 35, you will probably feel that some tests are easier than others. This is partly because everyone is more familiar with some vocabulary areas than others. However, because certain vocabulary areas are particularly dense, occasionally you will need to show that you know more words and expressions than you would need to in order to get the same score in other tests.

How long do the tests take?

Each test should take 20 to 30 minutes to complete.

We hope that you enjoy using these tests and that they will help you to learn the vocabulary that you want and need to master at this level.