

Thailand – Glossary

backpacker noun [count]
someone, especially a young person without much money, who travels around an area on foot or public transport

border noun [count]
the official line that separates two countries or regions:
the border between Hungary and Romania

bright adjective
strong but not dark:
She was wearing a bright red scarf.

Buddhist noun [count]
a follower of the set of religious beliefs based on the teaching of Siddhartha Gautama:
a Buddhist monk/temple

chilli noun [count]
a red or green vegetable with a very hot taste

consequence noun [count]
a result or effect of something:
Climate change could have disastrous consequences.

contain verb
to have or include something as a part:
Milk contains many important vitamins and minerals.

delicious adjective
with a very pleasant taste or smell:
This sauce is delicious with fish or vegetables.

developing adjective
a developing country is poor and does not have many industries

earthquake noun [count]
a sudden shaking movement of the ground

exotic adjective
interesting or exciting because of being unusual or not familiar

fishing noun [uncount]
the activity, sport, or business of catching fish:
We're going fishing tomorrow.

flavour noun [count]
the particular taste that food or drink has:
The drink has a very strong citrus flavour.

foreigner noun [count]
someone who comes from another country

fund verb
to provide the money for something:
publicly funded legal services

head of state noun
the leader of a country, for example a king, queen, or president

industry noun [count]
all the businesses involved in producing a particular type of goods or services:
the oil/fishing/electronics industry

international community, the noun [singular]
political leaders and important organizations from all parts of the world

lemon grass noun [uncount]
a plant similar to thick grass that is used in cooking to give a lemon flavour, especially in Southeast Asian meals

monarch noun [count]
a king or queen

monk noun [count]
a man who lives in a religious community away from other people

pollution noun [uncount]
chemicals and other substances that have a harmful effect on air, water, or land:
new measures to prevent pollution levels from rising

rebuild verb
to build something again after it has been damaged or destroyed

ride noun [count]
a journey on a horse or other animal, on a bicycle or motorcycle, or in a vehicle:
Joe let us have a ride on his horse.

robe noun [count]
a long loose piece of clothing that is worn by a priest or other important person

rural adjective
relating to the countryside, or in the countryside:
rural areas/roads/schools

search noun [count]

an attempt to find something:

Many people had left their homes to go in search of food.

share verb

to use or to have something at the same time as someone else:

There's only one copy left, so we'll have to share.

spicy adjective

with a strong hot flavour

suffer verb

to experience something very unpleasant or painful:

In wars, it's usually innocent civilians that suffer.

the throne noun

the position of being a king or queen

traffic jam noun [count]

a line of vehicles waiting behind something that is blocking the road

trek noun [count]

a long tiring walk

tsunami noun

a very large ocean wave caused by an underwater earthquake or volcanic eruption