

Plenty more fish in the sea? – Glossary

according to preposition
used for saying where information or ideas have come from
According to newspaper reports, fighting has broken out in the northern provinces.

advocate verb
to publicly support a particular policy or way of doing things
There is no point advocating improved public transport unless we can pay for it.

chain noun [count]
a group of businesses such as shops, hotels, or restaurants that all belong to the same person or company
Japan's leading hotel chain

come out phrasal verb
if something such as a book or a film comes out, it becomes available to buy or see
We've recorded a new album, and it's coming out in the spring.

crisis noun [count]
an urgent, difficult, or dangerous situation

decline verb
to become less or worse
The number of people buying their own homes has declined.

detect verb
to prove that something is present using scientific methods
technology capable of detecting the smallest earth tremors

drag verb
to pull something or someone along with difficulty, for example because they are heavy

encircle verb
to completely surround someone or something
A high fence encircles the property.

expression noun [count]
a word or phrase
Avoid colloquial expressions that are out of place in an academic essay.

head for verb
to go in a particular direction
We decided to head for home.

high tech adjective
using the most modern or advanced technology available, especially electronic equipment and computers

impact noun [count]
an effect, or an influence
Her paper discusses the likely impact of global warming on climate change.

overfishing noun [uncount]
fishing that damages a river or an area of sea because too many fish are caught

partner noun [count]
someone who you live with and have a sexual relationship with
Please state your partner's name and occupation.

reserve noun [count]
an area of land where wild animals or plants are officially protected

shoal noun [count]
a group of fish that swim together

sonar noun [uncount]
a piece of equipment on a ship that measures the depth of water and shows the position of objects under the water

species noun [count]
a plant or animal group whose members all have similar general features and are able to produce young plants or animals together
a rare tropical species

split up with phrasal verb
to end a marriage or a sexual or romantic relationship
Her parents split up a few months ago.

sustainable adjective
using methods that do not harm the environment
sustainable agriculture

tuna noun [count/uncount]
a large fish that lives in the Pacific and Atlantic Oceans